

This test comes in four parts. You may answer as many or as few questions as you like. Take note of the following:

- There is no partial credit, you earn points only for what you have mastered.
- Credit is given for correct answers, or *nearly* correct answers.  
(I won't split hairs on minor mistakes)
- There are more problems per part than is required for the maximum score  
(Balances out no partial credit)
- In each section you cannot earn more points than the maximum score  
(No extra credit)
- Please write on the blank paper provided. You may use multiple sheets if necessary. Please start each part on a new sheet (as I will be separating them into parts to grade in batches)

Part	Number of questions	Points per question	Maximum Score
1	10	15	59 (Cumulative 59)
2	6	10	20 (Cumulative 79)
3	5	5	10 (Cumulative 89)
4	4	3	11 (Cumulative 100)

### Part 1

1) Give an example of a monotone sequence that does not converge.

We know that any monotone and bounded sequence converges (in fact to its sup). So you'll need an unbounded sequence, such as  $\{n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  or  $\{3n^2 + 2\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ .

2) Give an example of a set that has a supremum, but not a maximum.

If the set is unbounded above, it would not have a sup (well,  $\infty$ ). So choose a set that is bounded, but yet still has no maximum. Perhaps, say,  $(0,1)$ .

3) Give an example of a set that does not have a supremum.

We know any bounded set has a supremum, so you'll need to choose something unbounded above. Say,  $[0, \infty)$  or just all of  $\mathbb{R}$ .

4) True or false and why? Every closed and bounded set is compact.

True, look at theorem T41.

5) What is  $|x|$ ? State the definition.

$$|x| = \begin{cases} x, & \text{if } x \geq 0 \\ -x, & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

6) What does it mean for a set  $S$  to be sequentially compact? State the definition.

$S$  is sequentially compact if every sequence in  $S$  has a convergent subsequence. (it must converge in  $S$ ).

7) Let  $\{a_n\}$  be a real sequence. What does it mean for  $\{a_n\}$  to converge to  $a$ ? State the sequential definition.

For each tolerance  $\varepsilon$ , beyond some point  $N$ ,  $a_n$  is within  $\varepsilon$  of  $a$ . That is:

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists N \in \mathbb{N} \forall n \geq N (|a_n - a| < \varepsilon)$$

8) What does it mean for a set  $S$  to be compact? State the definition.

A set  $S$  is compact if every open cover of  $S$  has a finite subcover.

9) What is the definition of the universal quantifier,  $\forall$ ? State the definition.

Let  $S(x)$  be a statement, given any value of  $x$ . The universal quantifier  $\forall$  quantifies the statement by making a statement is that true if and only if  $S(x)$  is true for every  $x$ :

$$\forall_x (S(x)) \text{ is true if and only if } S(x) \text{ is true for each } x$$

10) What is the infimum? State the definition of  $\inf(S)$ .

$\inf(S)$  is the greatest lower bound of  $S$ .

## Part 2

11) Assume that  $\{x_n\} \rightarrow 5$  and  $\{y_n\} \rightarrow 2$ . Prove that  $\{3x_n + 2y_n\} \rightarrow 19$ .

$\{3x_n\} \rightarrow 3 \cdot 5 = 15$  by lemma L24.

$\{2y_n\} \rightarrow 2 \cdot 2 = 4$  by lemma L24

$\{3x_n + 2y_n\} \rightarrow 15 + 4 = 19$  by theorem T23

12) Give an example of an open cover of  $\mathbb{R}$  that does not have a finite subcover.

$\{\dots, (-1,1), (0,2), (1,3), (2,4), \dots\}$

13) Let  $b > 0$  and assume  $|x - b| < \frac{4}{5}|b|$ . Prove that  $x > \frac{b}{5}$

Choosing  $d = \frac{4}{5}|b|$  in theorem T14 we get:

$$-\frac{4}{5}|b| \leq x - b \leq \frac{4}{5}|b|$$

Just consider the left half,  $-\frac{4}{5}|b| \leq x - b$ , and add  $b$  to both sides to get:

$$\frac{|b|}{5} \leq x$$

$b > 0$ , so this can be written as:

$$\frac{b}{5} \leq x$$

Okay technically we wanted strict inequality. Because the original inequality was strict, it turns out it will follow all the way through to get  $\frac{b}{5} < x$ .

14) Prove that  $\left\{\frac{1}{(n+2)^3} + 1\right\} \rightarrow 1$

$\left\{\frac{1}{n}\right\} \rightarrow 0$  by T9

$\left\{\frac{1}{n+2}\right\}_{n=1}^{\infty} = \left\{\frac{1}{n}\right\}_{n=3}^{\infty}$ , so  $\left\{\frac{1}{n+2}\right\} \rightarrow 0$  as well.

$\left\{\frac{1}{(n+2)^3}\right\} = \left\{\left(\frac{1}{n+2}\right)^3\right\} \rightarrow 0^3 = 0$  by theorem T30.

$\{1\} \rightarrow 1$ , obviously.

$\left\{\frac{1}{(n+2)^3} + 1\right\} \rightarrow 0 + 1 = 1$  by theorem T23.

15) Prove that the interval  $(2,5]$  is not compact.

The following open interval cover does not have a finite subcover:

$$\{(3,8), (2.1,4), (2.01,4), (2.001,4), \dots\}$$

16) Prove that the interval  $[1,7]$  is sequentially compact.

It is closed and bounded, so by T41 it is sequentially compact.

### Part 3

17) Prove that  $\left\{\frac{1}{(n+2)^3} + 1\right\} \rightarrow 1$  using the  $\varepsilon$  definition of convergence.

Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  and choose  $N = \left\lceil \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{\varepsilon}} \right\rceil$ . Then we obtain for all  $n \geq N$ :

$$\left| \frac{1}{(n+2)^3} + 1 - 1 \right| = \left| \frac{1}{(n+2)^3} \right| = \frac{1}{(n+2)^3} < \frac{1}{n^3} \leq \frac{1}{N^3} = \frac{1}{\left(\sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{\varepsilon}}\right)^3} \leq \frac{1}{\left(\sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{\varepsilon}}\right)^3} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{\varepsilon}} = \varepsilon$$

Thus  $\left\{\frac{1}{(n+2)^3} + 1\right\} \rightarrow 1$

18) Prove that  $\sqrt{2}$  is irrational

Assume  $\sqrt{2} \in \mathbb{Q}$ . Then we can write  $\sqrt{2} = \frac{p}{q}$  and wlog assume  $\gcd(p, q) = 1$ .

$$\therefore q\sqrt{2} = p$$

$$\therefore 2q^2 = p^2$$

$$\therefore p^2 \text{ is even}$$

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Write  $p = 2k$  for some  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$\therefore 2q^2 = (2k)^2 = 4k^2$$

$$\therefore q^2 = 2k^2$$

$$\therefore q^2 \text{ is even}$$

$$\therefore q \text{ is even}$$

This is a contradiction with the fact that  $\gcd(p, q) = 1$ , so  $\sqrt{2} \notin \mathbb{Q}$ .

19) Given a real number  $a$ , define  $S := \{x \in \mathbb{Q} : x < a\}$ . Prove that  $a = \sup(S)$

By the definition  $S$ ,  $a$  is an upper bound. Suppose that  $b$  is a smaller upper bound. That is,  $b < a$  and  $x < b$  for all  $x \in S$ . However,  $(b, a)$  contains a rational number, say  $c$ , by theorem T13. This is a contradiction because  $c \in \mathbb{Q}$  and  $c < a$ . Hence  $b$  was not an upper bound for  $S$ . Therefore  $a = \sup(S)$ .

20) Let  $\{a_n\}$  be a sequence that converges to  $a$  and  $\{b_n\}$  a sequence. Assume that there is an index  $N$  such that  $a_n = b_n$  for all  $n \geq N$ . Prove that  $\{b_n\} \rightarrow a$ .

Consider the sequence  $\{b_n - a_n\}$ . Choosing  $C = 0$  and the sequence  $\{0\}$ , lemma L21 tells us that  $\{b_n - a_n\} \rightarrow 0$  because  $|b_n - a_n| = |a_n - a_n| = 0 \leq 0$  for all  $n \geq N$ . Then apply T23 to  $\{b_n - a_n\}$  and  $\{a_n\}$  to obtain:

$$\{b_n\} = \{b_n - a_n + a_n\} \rightarrow 0 + a = a$$

21) Prove that the set  $[5, \infty)$  is closed.

Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence in  $[5, \infty)$  and assume that  $\{x_n\} \rightarrow x \in \mathbb{R}$ . Assume for the purpose of later contradiction that  $x < 5$ . Choose  $\varepsilon = \frac{5-x}{2}$ . Then by convergence there is some  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$x_n \in \left(x - \frac{5-x}{2}, x + \frac{5-x}{2}\right)$$

for all  $n \geq N$ . Note that  $x + \frac{5-x}{2} < 5$  (why?), so  $x_n \notin [5, \infty)$  which is a contradiction. Hence  $x \geq 5$ , so  $[5, \infty)$  is closed.

#### Part 4

22) Let  $\{a_n\}$  be a sequence that converges to  $a$  and  $\{b_n\}$  a sequence. Assume that there is an index  $N$  such that  $a_n = b_n$  for all  $n \geq N$ . Use the definition of convergence to prove that  $\{b_n\}$  converges.

Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . We know that because  $\{a_n\} \rightarrow a$ , there is some  $N_2 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $|a_n - a| < \varepsilon$  for all  $n \geq N_2$ . If we consider  $N_3 = \max(N, N_2)$ , then we see that  $|b_n - a| = |a_n - a| < \varepsilon$  for all  $n \geq N_3$ . Thus we have  $\{b_n\} \rightarrow a$ .

23) Assume  $\{a_n\}$  is monotone. Prove that  $\{a_n\}$  converges if and only if  $\{a_n^2\}$  converges.

The forward direction is a trivial consequence of T30 taking  $f(x) = x^2$ . The backward direction takes more work.

Assume  $\{a_n^2\}$  converges. Because  $\{a_n\}$  is monotone,  $\{a_n^2\}$  is also monotone. Thus  $\{a_n^2\}$  is bounded by theorem T35. Hence  $\{a_n\}$  is also bounded. Then again by T35,  $\{a_n\}$  is converges.

24) Assume that  $|a| < 1$  and  $\{a_n\} \rightarrow a$ . Prove that  $\{a_n^n\} \rightarrow 0$

Let us create a sequence of sequences.  $\{\{a_n^m\}_{n=1}^\infty\}_{m=1}^\infty$ . For each fixed  $m$ , T30 tells us that  $\{a_n^m\}_{n=1}^\infty \rightarrow a^m$ . However, note that  $\{a^m\} \rightarrow 0$ . Hence  $\{a_n^n\}_{n=0}^\infty \rightarrow 0$ .

25) Let  $A$  and  $B$  be compact sets. Prove that  $A \cup B$  is compact.

By T41 both  $A$  and  $B$  are closed and bounded. Because they are both bounded,  $A \cup B$  is obviously also bounded (By the larger of the two bounds). For closedness, let  $\{a_n\}$  be a sequence in  $A \cup B$  and assume  $\{a_n\} \rightarrow a \in \mathbb{R}$ . Either  $\{a_n\}$  has infinitely many terms in  $A$ , or it has infinitely many terms in  $B$ . Assume wlog that it has infinitely many terms in  $A$ , and consider the subsequence  $\{a_{n_k}\}$  of those terms just in  $A$ . Because it is a subsequence of  $\{a_n\}$ , it converges to the same thing:  $\{a_{n_k}\} \rightarrow a$ . However, because  $A$  is closed and  $\{a_{n_k}\}$  is in  $A$ , the limit,  $a$ , is in  $A$ . That is,  $a \in A$ . Therefore  $A \cup B$  is closed, and together with boundedness we see that  $A \cup B$  is compact.

Or a direct proof:

Let  $\{I_n\}$  be an open interval cover of  $A \cup B$ . Then it is simultaneously an open interval covers for  $A$  and for  $B$ . Hence there are finite subcovers  $\{I_n\}_{n=1}^{m_1}$  and  $\{I_n\}_{n=1}^{m_2}$  that cover  $A$  and  $B$  respectively. Hence if we take the union of these two finite sets, we get a finite open subcover of  $A \cup B$ :

$$\{I_n\}_{n=1}^{\max(m_1, m_2)}$$