

# REAL ANALYSIS

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MAIN EXAM

TIME: 2 HOURS

Instructions: Answer Question ONE and ANY other TWO

**QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) (30 MARKS)**

- a) Show that if  $x \neq 0$ , then  $x^{-1} \neq 0$  and  $x^{-1}$  is unique. (3mks)
- b) For every  $x \neq 0$ , show that  $x^2 > 0$ , hence show that  $1 > 0$ . (3mks)
- c) Let  $(S, <)$  be an ordered set and  $E$  a subset of  $S$ , if the least upper bound of  $E$  (lub.  $E$ ) and the greatest lower bound of  $E$  (glb.  $E$ ) exist. Show that lub. $E$  and glb. $E$  are unique. (6mks)
- d) Show that  $\sqrt{2}$  is an irrational number. (4mks)
- e) State the completeness axiom for  $\mathbb{R}$  (2mks)
- f) Let  $A$  be a nonvoid subset of  $\mathbb{R}$  which is bounded above. Define a set  $B$  by  $B = \{-x; x \in A\}$ , show that  $B$  is bounded below and  $-\sup.A = \inf.B$ . (4mks)

- g) If  $a$  and  $b$  are given real numbers such that for every real number  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $a \leq b + \varepsilon$ , show that  $a \leq b$  (5mks)
- h) What is an inductive set? (2mks)

**QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)**

- a) For any subset  $E$  of a metric space  $(X, \rho)$ , prove that  $E^0$  is an open set. (6mks)
- b) Consider the metric space  $(\mathbb{R}, d)$  and let  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be defined by  $f(x) = |x|$ . Show that  $f$  is uniformly continuous. (6mks)
- c) Show that the limit of a convergent sequence is unique in a metric space (8mks)

**QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)**

- a) Let  $A$  and  $B$  be nonvoid subsets of  $\mathbb{R}$  and define the set  $A + B = \{x + y; x \in A, y \in B\}$ , show that
- i. If  $A$  and  $B$  are bounded above, then so is  $A+B$  and  $\sup(A+B) = \sup A + \sup B$  (5mks)
  - ii. If  $A$  and  $B$  are bounded below, then so is  $A+B$  and  $\inf(A+B) = \inf A + \inf B$  (5mks)
- b) For every real numbers  $x$  and  $a, a > 0$ , show that  $|x| \leq a$  iff  $x \in [-a, a]$  (4mks)
- c) Let  $A, B, C$  be nonvoid sets and  $f: A \rightarrow B$  and  $g: B \rightarrow C$  be bijections. Then the composition  $g \circ f$  and  $(g \circ f)^{-1} = f^{-1} \circ g^{-1}$ . (6mks)

**QUESTION FOUR(20 MARKS)**

- a) Show that every infinite set  $E$  contains a countable subset  $A$ . (7mks)
- b) Differentiate between an algebraic and a transcendental number giving examples in each case (3mks)
- c) Does the equation  $x^2 + 1 = 0$  have a solution in  $\mathbb{R}$ ? Show your working. (4mks)
- d) Define the following terms;
- i. A metric space (4mks)
  - ii. An interior point of  $E$  (2mks)

**QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)**

- a) State and provide a proof of Cauchy –Schwarz inequality. (10mks)
- b) Suppose that an open interval  $(0,1)$  is equivalent to  $\mathbb{R}$ . Show that  $\mathbb{R}$  is uncountable (10mks)