

Exam 2

No calculators. Show your work. Give full explanations. Good luck!

1. (20 points) For each of the following series state whether it converges absolutely, converges conditionally, or diverges. Justify your answers.

$$(a) \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{2n^2 + 1}{3n^2 - 1} \qquad (b) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2 + n}$$

$$(c) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^n \qquad (d) \sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n \ln n}$$

2. (20 points) For which values of x do the following series converge?

$$(a) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(3x)^n}{n^2} \qquad (b) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(x-2)^n}{n4^n}$$

3. (20 points)

(a) Find a closed form for the power series $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} x^{2n}$.

(b) Find a sequence $\{a_n\}$ so that $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n = \frac{1}{4+x}$ for all $x \in (-4, 4)$.

4. (15 points) Prove that if the sequence $\{a_n\}$ is summable, then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$.

5. (25 points)

(a) State the *Property of Completeness*.

(b) Let $\{a_n\}$ be a sequence of non-negative terms. Use the Property of Completeness to prove that $\sum a_n$ converges if and only if the sequence of partial sums is bounded. (*Be sure to prove both implications*)

(c) Prove the Comparison Test: If $0 \leq a_n \leq b_n$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and that $\sum b_n$ is convergent, then $\sum a_n$ is also convergent.

Bonus question: Does the following series converge?

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7 \cdots (2n-1)}{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6 \cdots (2n)}$$

More generally, for what values of p does the following series converge?

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7 \cdots (2n-1)}{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6 \cdots (2n)} \right)^p$$