

MARK BOX		
PROBLEM	POINTS	
1	10	
2	10	
3	10	
4	10	
5	10	
6	10	
TOTAL	40	
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**INSTRUCTIONS:**

- (1) For the *proof problems*, write a NEAT FORMAL proof. You may, if you want, include your *pre-proof* but you must also include your formal proof for full credit.
- (2) The MARK BOX indicates the problems along with their points. Check that your copy of the exam has all of the problems.
- (3) This is a closed book/notes exam covering (from *Introduction to Real Analysis*, 3rd ed., by Bartle and Sherbert): Chapters 1,2,3 .

**Problem Inspiration:**

(1,2,3) Homework to Hand-in: # 14, # 17, # 18.

(4,5,6) New Ones.

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**From problems 1 – 3, do 2 of them and leave one blank. I will only grade 2 of them. You MUST indicate below which 2 you want graded and the 1 you do not want graded.**

From problems 1 – 3, I am doing problems: \_\_\_\_\_ .

From problems 1 – 3, I am NOT doing problem: \_\_\_\_\_ .

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**From problems 4 – 6, do 2 of them and leave one blank. I will only grade 2 of them. You MUST indicate below which 2 you want graded and the 1 you do not want graded.**

From problems 4 – 6, I am doing problems: \_\_\_\_\_ .

From problems 4 – 6, I am NOT doing problem: \_\_\_\_\_ .

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Please use your own paper or my scratch paper, indicating which problem is what and write your name on each sheet of paper. To ease in my grading, please hand-in this sheet with your test. I will post the exam on the course homepage so you can print yourself off a copy later if you want.

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- ▶ All sequences are understood to be sequences of real numbers.
  - ▶ Except for problem 3, convergence of a sequence (or a series) is understood to mean convergence to a real number (and NOT  $\pm\infty$ ).
  - ▶ I will grade harder than before - by now you should be able to write a clear proof.
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1. Let  $x_1 \geq 2$ . Let  $x_{n+1} := 1 + \sqrt{x_n - 1}$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .  
**1a.** Show that  $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is bounded below by 2. **1b.** Show that  $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is decreasing.  
**1c.** Conclude that  $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  converges (i.e., state a theorem that says that, given **1a** and **1b**, then you can say that  $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  converges). Find the limit of  $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ .

2. Let  $\{a_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  and  $\{b_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  be bounded sequences.  
**2a.** Show that  $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n + b_n) \leq (\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n) + (\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n)$ .  
**2b.** Show, by example, that in **2a** it is possible to have *strictly less than but not equal to*.

- 3a.** Write out the definition of what it means for  $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  to **tend to**  $+\infty$ .  
**3b.** Let  $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  and  $\{y_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  be sequences of **positive** numbers such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{x_n}{y_n}\right) = 0$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = +\infty$ . Show that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = +\infty$ .

4. Let  $A$  be a nonempty subset of  $\mathbb{R}$  that is bounded above. Set  $\alpha := \sup A$ . Show that there exists (i.e., carefully construct) a sequence  $\{a_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ , with  $a_n \in A$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \alpha$ . You may use the 2 definitions below, but you may not use any fancy theorems.

**Def 1.**  $\alpha := \sup A$  <sup>i.e.</sup> l.u.b.  $A$  provided:

(1)  $\alpha$  is an upper bound of  $A$  and (2) if  $\beta$  is any upper bound of  $A$ , then  $\alpha \leq \beta$ .

**Def 2.**  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \alpha \iff \forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists N_\varepsilon \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t. if  $n \geq N_\varepsilon$  then  $|\alpha - a_n| < \varepsilon$ .

5. Let  $\{a_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  be a sequence and  $\{s_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  be the sequence of the *averages* of the  $a_n$ 's, i.e.,

$$s_n = \frac{a_1 + a_2 + \cdots + a_n}{n} \quad \text{i.e.} \quad \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n a_j.$$

- 5a.** Show that if  $\{a_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  converges, say  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = a$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = a$ .  
**5b.** Show, by example, that  $\{s_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  can converge although  $\{a_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  diverges.

Hint to **5a**: If  $n > J \in \mathbb{N}$  then

$$|s_n - a| = \left| \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^J a_j + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=J+1}^n a_j \right) - \left( \frac{\overbrace{a + \cdots + a}^{J \text{ times so } = Ja}}{n} + \frac{\overbrace{a + \cdots + a}^{n-J \text{ times so } = (n-J)a}}{n} \right) \right|.$$

6. Let  $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  be a sequence and set  $z_n := n(x_n - x_{n+1})$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

- 6a.** Consider the following three statements:

- (1) the **series**  $\sum_n x_n$  converges
- (2) the **sequence**  $\{nx_n\}_n$  converges
- (3) the **series**  $\sum_n z_n$  converges.

Show that if any 2 of these 3 statements are true, then all 3 of them are true.

- 6b.** If  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n = a$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} nx_n = b$ , what is  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n(x_n - x_{n+1})$ ?  
**6c.** Give an example of a sequence  $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  where (1) is true but (2) and (3) are false.  
**6d.** Give an example of a sequence  $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  where (2) is true but (1) and (3) are false.  
**6e.** Give an example of a sequence  $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  where (3) is true but (1) and (2) are false.