

# MATH2050B Mathematical Analysis I

## Make-up Test 1 suggested Solution\*

**Question 1.** State the definitions/notations, and the negation for (v) and (vi).

(i) Archimedean properties of  $\mathbb{N}$  in  $\mathbb{R}$ .

(ii)  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  is a lower bound of  $B$ .

(iii)  $\lim_n x_n = \ell$ .

(iv)  $\lim_n x_n = -\infty$ .

(v)  $(x_n)$  is Cauchy.

(vi)  $A$  is order-convex (convex).

**Solution:**

(i) **Archimedean Property of  $\mathbb{N}$ :** Let  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then there exists  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $r < n$ .

(ii) We say  $x$  is a lower bound of  $B$ , if  $x \leq b$  for all  $b \in B$ .

(iii) For every  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists a natural number  $K(\varepsilon)$  such that for all  $n \geq K(\varepsilon)$ , the terms  $x_n$  satisfy  $|x_n - \ell| < \varepsilon$ .

(iv) For every  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ , there is an  $N(r)$  such that for every  $n \geq N(r)$ ,  $x_n < r$ .

(v)  $(x_n)$  is said to be Cauchy if for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $N_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that for any  $m, n \geq N_0$ ,

$$|x_n - x_m| < \varepsilon.$$

Negation: There exists  $\varepsilon_0 > 0$  such that for every  $H$  there exist at least one  $n > H$  and at least one  $m > H$  such that  $|x_n - x_m| \geq \varepsilon_0$ .

(vi)  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is said to be order-convex if, for any  $a_1, a_2 \in A$  and any  $z \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $a_1 < z < a_2$ , one has  $z \in A$ .

Negation: There exists two points  $x, y \in A$ , and a point  $z_0 = t_0x + (1 - t_0)y$  with  $0 < t_0 < 1$ , such that  $z_0 \notin A$ .

**Question 2.** State the following results/theorems:

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- (i) Characterization theorem for intervals.
- (ii) The nested intervals theorem.
- (iii) Bolzano–Weierstrass Theorem.
- (iv) Cauchy criterion.

**Solution:**

- (i) **Characterization of Intervals:** Let  $I \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  be order-convex. Then  $I$  is an interval.
- (ii) **The nested intervals theorem:** Let  $I_n := [a_n, b_n] \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  with  $a_n \leq b_n$  be such that

$$I_{n+1} \subseteq I_n, \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Then

$$\bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} I_n \neq \emptyset.$$

(iii) **Bolzano-Weierstrass Theorem:** A bounded sequence of real numbers has a convergent subsequence.

(iv) **Cauchy Convergence Criterion:** A sequence of real numbers is convergent if and only if it is a Cauchy sequence.

**Question 3.** (Not to use on any theorem (limits)) In the terminology of  $\varepsilon - N$ , show that

- (i) If  $\lim_n x_n = x, \lim_n y_n = y$  in  $\mathbb{R}$  and

$$x_n \leq y_n \quad \forall n \geq 1997,$$

then  $x \leq y$ .

- (ii) If  $\lim_n z_n = \ell > 0$  then  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $N \geq 2047$  s.t.

$$\frac{2\ell}{3} < z_n < 2\ell \quad \forall n \geq N.$$

- (iii) Suppose  $\lim_n x_n = 5, \lim_n y_n = 2$ . Then

$$\lim_n \frac{x_n}{y_n} = \frac{5}{2}.$$

(Hint: What would you do if 5,2 are  $x, y$ ?)

- (iv) Let  $(x_n)$  be a  $\downarrow$  (decreasing) sequence of positive real numbers. Show  $\lim_n x_n$  exists in  $\mathbb{R}$ .

**Solution:**

- (i) For any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $N_1(\varepsilon) \in \mathbb{N}$  so that for any  $n \geq N_1(\varepsilon)$ ,

$$|x_n - x| < \varepsilon/2.$$

Since  $\lim_n y_n = y$  there exists  $N_2(\varepsilon) \in \mathbb{N}$  so that for any  $n \geq N_2(\varepsilon)$ ,

$$|y_n - y| < \varepsilon/2.$$

Let  $N = \max\{N_1(\varepsilon), N_2(\varepsilon), 1997\}$ , then for any  $n \geq N$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} y - x &= (y - y_n) + (y_n - x_n) + (x_n - x) \\ &\geq -|y - y_n| + (y_n - x_n) - |x_n - x| \\ &> (y_n - x_n) - \varepsilon \\ &\geq -\varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have  $y - x > -\varepsilon$ . Since  $\varepsilon$  is arbitrary, we have  $y - x \geq 0$ , as desired.

(ii) Since  $\lim_n z_n = \ell > 0$ , there exists  $N_1 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that for any  $n \geq N_1$ , we have

$$|z_n - \ell| < \frac{\ell}{3}, \quad \text{i.e.} \quad -\frac{\ell}{3} < z_n - \ell < \frac{\ell}{3}.$$

It follows that  $\frac{2\ell}{3} < z_n < 2\ell$ , for any  $n \geq N_1$ .

Let  $N = \max\{N_1, 2047\}$ , it is easily seen that  $\frac{2\ell}{3} < z_n < 2\ell$ , for any  $n \geq N$ .

(iii) Firstly we show that the product  $(x_n y_n)$  is convergent with  $\lim x_n y_n = 10$ .

Since  $\lim_n y_n = 2$ , there exists  $N_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that for any  $n \geq N_0$ , we have  $|y_n - 2| < 1$ . It directly follows that  $|y_n| < 4$  for any  $n \geq N_0$ .

Fix  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Take  $\varepsilon' > 0$  such that  $\varepsilon' = \min\{\frac{\varepsilon}{9}, 1\}$ . Since  $\lim_n x_n = 5$ , there exists  $N_1(\varepsilon) \in \mathbb{N}$  such that for any  $n \geq N_1(\varepsilon)$ , we have  $|x_n - 5| < \varepsilon'$ . Similarly, since  $\lim_n y_n = 2$ , there exists  $N_2(\varepsilon) \in \mathbb{N}$  such that for any  $n \geq N_2(\varepsilon)$ , we obtain  $|y_n - 2| < \varepsilon'$ .

Hence, the triangle inequality implies that

$$|x_n y_n - 10| \leq |x_n y_n - 5y_n| + |5y_n - 10| \leq |x_n - 5| |y_n| + |5| |y_n - 2| < \varepsilon' \cdot 4 + 5\varepsilon' = 9\varepsilon' \leq \varepsilon,$$

for all  $n \geq \max\{N_0, N_1(\varepsilon), N_2(\varepsilon)\}$ . This implies that  $(x_n y_n)$  is convergent and  $\lim x_n y_n = ab$ .

For showing  $\lim_n \frac{x_n}{y_n} = \frac{5}{2}$ , it suffices to show that the sequence  $\left(\frac{1}{y_n}\right)$  converges to  $1/2$  by using above result.

Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be as above and  $N = \max\{N_0(\varepsilon), N_1(\varepsilon), N_2(\varepsilon)\}$ . It is noted that there is a positive integer  $N_3 > N$  such that  $|y_n - 2| < 1$  for all  $n \geq N_3$ . This gives  $|y_n| > 1$  for all  $n \geq N_3$ . Hence, we have

$$\left| \frac{1}{y_n} - \frac{1}{2} \right| = \frac{|y_n - 2|}{|y_n| \cdot 2} \leq \varepsilon/2,$$

for all  $n \geq N_3$ . The proof is complete.

(iv) Since  $x_n$  is bounded below by 0, by The Completeness Property of  $\mathbb{R}$ , the sequence has an infimum in  $\mathbb{R}$ . Suppose  $\inf x_n = a$ . Then for given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $n_0$  such that  $a + \varepsilon \geq x_{n_0}$ . Since  $(x_n)$  is decreasing, we have  $x_{n_0} \geq x_n$  for all  $n \geq n_0$ . This implies that

$$a + \varepsilon \geq x_n \geq a \geq a - \varepsilon \quad \text{for all } n \geq n_0.$$

That is  $\lim_n x_n = a$ .