

Birla Institute of Technology and Science, Pilani (Pilani Campus)

Elementary Real Analysis (MATH F214)

Mid-Semester Examination

Max. Marks: 60

November 01, 2022

Time: 90 Minutes

Note: (i) Except for the Q 1, justify your answers and write your arguments clearly. If a results from lectures/textbook is used, it must be stated clearly.

(ii) \mathbb{Q} , \mathbb{I} , and \mathbb{R} denote the set of rational numbers, the set of irrational numbers and the set of real numbers, respectively.

1. State(without justification) whether the following statements are true or false: [10]

(i) If A is a nonempty, bounded subset of \mathbb{Q} , then $\sup(A) \in \mathbb{Q}$.

(ii) There exists an infinite subset of \mathbb{R} with no limit points.

(iii) For every $x \in \mathbb{I}$ there exists a sequence of real numbers (x_n) converging to x .

(iv) Every finite subset of \mathbb{R} is compact.

(v) The set of all binary sequences is countably infinite.

(vi) The series $\sum \frac{(-1)^n}{n}$ is absolutely convergent.

(vii) Every open cover of \mathbb{R} has a finite subcover.

(viii) Every closed subset of \mathbb{R} is compact.

(ix) Every bounded sequence is convergent.

(x) The set of interior points of \mathbb{I} is the empty set.

2. Show that $\inf \left\{ \frac{1}{n} : n \in \mathbb{N} \right\} = 0$. [3]

3. Let A be a nonempty, bounded subset of \mathbb{R} and $\alpha = \inf(A)$. Show that there exists a sequence (a_n) in A such that $a_n \rightarrow \alpha$. [6]

4. Determine if the following series is convergent or divergent: [5]

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(\log n)^p}.$$

5. Either prove or disprove that the set of all functions $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ is countably infinite. [6]

6. Show that every contractive sequence of real numbers is convergent. Further, show that converse is not true in general by producing a counterexample. [10]

7. Let (X, d) be a metric space. Show that

$$\rho(x, y) = \frac{d(x, y)}{1 + d(x, y)}$$

is a metric on X . [12]

8. Let (X, d) be a metric space and $\{K_\alpha\}$ be a collection of compact subsets of X . If intersection of every finite subcollection of $\{K_\alpha\}$ is nonempty, then show that $\bigcap_{\alpha} K_\alpha$ is nonempty. [8]