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ENTRANCE TEST FOR PH.D. MATHEMATICS  
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*Maximum Time: Three Hours*

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INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Solve all Seven questions given in the exam.
2. All questions are equally weighted.
3. Write complete steps in a proof.
4. To disprove a statement, provide a counter example.

	<u>Assigned</u>	<u>Grading</u>	<u>Obtained</u>
Q.1	(10)		
Q.2	(10)		
Q.3	(10)		
Q.4	(10)		
Q.5	(10)		
Q.6	(10)		
Q.7	(10)		
Total:	(70)		

**Q.1.**

(a) Prove that any convergent sequence  $x_n$  of real numbers with

$$\lim x_n = x$$

is Cauchy.

**Q.1.**

(b) Let  $X$  be a metric space with distance  $d$ .  
Define a continuous function  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .

**Q.2.**

(a) Let  $X$  be a Banach space and  $\mathbb{R}$  the usual normed space. Show that

$$\|(x, \alpha)\| = \|x\| + |\alpha|$$

is a complete norm on  $X \times \mathbb{R}$ .

**Q.2.**

(b) Let  $X = \mathbb{R}^3$ . Show that the mapping  $T : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by

$$T(x) = x_1 + x_2 + x_3,$$

where  $x = (x_1, x_2, x_3) \in \mathbb{R}^3$ , is a continuous linear operator for which

$$\|T\| = \sqrt{3}.$$

**Q.3.**

Prove or disprove the following statements.

(a) Any two groups of order  $p$ , where  $p$  is a prime number, are isomorphic.

(b)  $(\mathbb{Z}_4, +)$  and  $(\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2, +)$  are isomorphic abelian groups.

**Q.3.**

(c) The group of quaternions  $Q_8 = \{\pm 1, \pm i, \pm j, \pm k\}$  is a cyclic group.

**Q.4.**

Let  $R$  be a commutative ring with identity.

An ideal  $I$  of  $R$  is called a prime ideal if for any pair of elements  $a, b \in I$ ,

$$ab \in I \implies a \in I \text{ or } b \in I.$$

(a) Prove that: Every maximal ideal of  $R$  is a prime ideal.



**Q.4.**

(b) Let  $P$  be an ideal of  $R$ . Then prove that:

$P$  is prime if and only if  $R/P$  is an integral domain.

**Q.5.**

Define  $\mathcal{T} \subset \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})$  as follows:

A subset  $U$  of  $\mathbb{R}$  is in  $\mathcal{T}$  if and only if either  $U = \Phi$ ; or  $\mathbb{R} \setminus U$  is countable.

- (a). Prove that  $\mathcal{T}$  is a topology on  $\mathbb{R}$ . This topology is called the *countable complement topology*.

- (b). Let  $\mathbb{Q}$  denote the set of rational numbers and  $\mathbb{I}$  denote the irrationals. Calculate in  $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{T})$  each of the following:

(1)  $\text{int}(\mathbb{I})$ .

(2)  $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}$ .

**Q.5.**

(c). Prove or disprove:  $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{T})$  is  $T_2$ .

(d). Prove or disprove:  $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{T})$  is second countable.

**Q. 6.**

Let us consider the Cauchy Problem (CP)

$$x' = f(t, x), \quad x(t_0) = x_0,$$

where

$$f : \bar{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, D = \{(t, x) \mid |t - t_0| \leq a, |x - x_0| \leq b\}.$$

Peano says that a solution always exists in

$$|t - t_0| \leq \alpha, \text{ where } \alpha = \min\left\{a, \frac{b}{M}\right\}, \text{ and } M = \max_{(t,x) \in \bar{D}} |f(t, x)|,$$

if  $f(t, x)$  is continuous.

**(a)** Give an example to show that this condition is sufficient but not necessary.

- (b) Show, by giving an example, that (CP) may still have a solution and this solution may be unique, however,  $f$  does not satisfy Lipschitz condition. Justify your answer.

**Q. 7.**

Solve the following system of nonlinear equations using Newton's method & Jacobian matrix.

$$3x_1 - \cos(x_1x_2) - \frac{1}{2} = 0,$$

$$4x_1^2 - 625x_2^2 + 2x_2 - 1 = 0,$$

$$e^{-x_1x_2} + 20x_3 + \frac{10\pi - 3}{3} = 0.$$