



## FACULTY OF SCIENCE

### DEPARTMENT OF PURE AND APPLIED MATHEMATICS

**MODULE**      **ASME2A1**  
SEQUENCES, SERIES AND VECTOR CALCULUS

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**INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS ON THE PAPER IN PEN
2. CALCULATORS ARE **NOT** ALLOWED
3. INDICATE **CLEARLY** ANY ADDITIONAL WORKING OUT

### Question 1

Determine whether the following statements are true or false. If true, give a short justification. If false, give a counter example. [10]

(1.1) If  $\{a_n\}$  is a divergent sequence, then  $\{a_n^2\}$  is divergent. (2)

(1.2) If  $\{a_n\}$  is a convergent sequence, then  $\{\frac{1}{a_n}\}$  is convergent. (2)

(1.3) The ratio test can be used to determine whether  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!}$  converges. (2)

(1.4) If  $a_n > 0$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_{n+1}/a_n) < 1$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$ . (2)

(1.5) If  $a_n > 0$  and  $\sum a_n$  converges, then  $\sum (-1)^n a_n$  converges. (2)

## Question 2

Show that the sequence defined by

[4]

$$a_1 = 1 \quad a_{n+1} = 3 - \frac{1}{a_n} \text{ for } n \geq 1$$

is increasing and bounded above by 3.

### Question 3

State and prove the alternating series test.

[6]

**Question 4**

[5]

(4.1) Test whether

(3)

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{n^2 + 1}{2n^2 + 1} \right)^n$$

is absolutely convergent, conditionally convergent, or divergent.

(4.2) Find the (exact) sum of the series

(2)

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} 2 \left( \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+3} \right).$$

### Question 5

Find the radius and interval of convergence for

[4]

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{(x-3)^n}{2n+1}.$$

### Question 6

Let  $k$  be any real number. Use the Maclaurin series of  $(1+x)^k$  to obtain the Maclaurin series for [3]

$$f(x) = x^3 (1+x^2)^k.$$



### Question 7

Consider the curve with parametric equations  $x = t^2$ ,  $y = 1 - 3t$ ,  $z = 1 + t^3$ . Does the curve pass through the points  $(1, 4, 0)$ ,  $(9, -8, 28)$  and  $(4, 7, -6)$ ? [3]

### Question 8

Show that if  $\mathbf{r}$  is a vector function such that  $\mathbf{r}''$  exists, then

[3]

$$\frac{d}{dt} [\mathbf{r}(t) \times \mathbf{r}'(t)] = \mathbf{r}(t) \times \mathbf{r}''(t).$$

### Question 9

Find the unit tangent vector, unit normal vector, and the curvature of the curve

[7]

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle t, 3 \cos(t), 3 \sin(t) \rangle .$$

### Question 10

Derive the formula

[3]

$$\mathbf{a} = v'\mathbf{T} + \kappa v^2\mathbf{N}.$$

### Question 11

Determine whether the following statement is true or false. Give a short justification.

[2]

The binormal vector is  $\mathbf{B}(t) = \mathbf{N}(t) \times \mathbf{T}(t)$ .