

**Math 142, Exam 4, Fall 2006**

Write your answers as legibly as you can on the blank sheets of paper provided.

**Please leave room in the upper left corner for the staple.**

Use only **one side** of each sheet. Be sure to number your pages. Put your solution to problem 1 first, and then your solution to number 2, etc.; although, by using enough paper, you can do the problems in any order that suits you.

The exam is worth a total of 100 points. There are 10 problems. Each problem is worth 10 points.

SHOW your work. **CIRCLE** your answer. **CHECK** your answer whenever possible. **No Calculators or Cell phones.**

I will post the solutions on my website sometime this afternoon.

If I know your e-mail address, I will e-mail your grade to you as soon as the exam is graded. If I don't already know your e-mail address and you want me to know it, then **send me an e-mail**.

1. Write  $12.457575757\dots$  as a quotient of two integers.
2. Approximate  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^4}$  with an error at most  $\frac{1}{2000}$ . Explain **very thoroughly**.
3. Give a closed formula for  $3^2 + 3^3 + 3^4 + \dots + 3^{99}$ . There should be no dots or summation signs in your answer. Your answer should be exactly equal to the given number.
4. Does  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{4+\cos^2 k}{k^3}$  converge? Explain **very thoroughly**.
5. Does  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{k^2}{2^k}$  converge? Explain **very thoroughly**.
6. Does  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{k+5}$  converge? Explain **very thoroughly**.

7. Does  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{k-5}{k}\right)^k$  converge? Explain **very thoroughly**.

8. Consider the sequence  $\{a_n\}$  with  $a_1 = \sqrt{30}$ , and  $a_n = \sqrt{30 + a_{n-1}}$  for  $n \geq 2$ . Prove that the sequence  $\{a_n\}$  is increasing. Identify an upper bound for the sequence  $\{a_n\}$ . Prove that your candidate for an upper bound really is an upper bound. Find the limit of the sequence  $\{a_n\}$ . Explain **very thoroughly**.

9. Find a closed formula for the  $n^{\text{th}}$  partial sum of the series

$$\ln\left(1 - \frac{1}{4}\right) + \ln\left(1 - \frac{1}{9}\right) + \ln\left(1 - \frac{1}{16}\right) + \dots$$

Explain **very thoroughly**. Be sure to do the problem that I picked – and not some other problem.

10. Find all values of  $x$  for which the series:

$$\frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{2}{x^3} + \frac{4}{x^4} + \frac{8}{x^5} + \frac{16}{x^6} + \dots$$

converges. What is the sum of the series? Explain **very thoroughly**.