## Math 140A: Midterm 2 Foundations of Real Analysis

- You have 50 minutes.
- No books and notes are allowed.
- You may quote any result stated in the textbook or in class.
- You may not use homework problems (without proof) in your solutions.

**1.** (10 points)

(a) (5 points) Let  $\{a_n\}$  be a sequence of positive real numbers such that  $\lim_{n \to \infty} a_n = 0$ . Prove that  $\lim_{n \to \infty} a_n^p = 0$ , for any p > 0.

(b) (5 points) Let  $\{a_n\}$ ,  $\{b_n\}$  and  $\{c_n\}$  be sequences of real numbers such that  $a_n \leq b_n \leq c_n$ , for all  $n \geq 1$ . Assume that  $\lim_{n \to \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \to \infty} c_n = l$ .

Prove that  $\lim_{n \to \infty} b_n = l$ .

**2.** (10 points) Let  $\{a_n\}$  and  $\{b_n\}$  be bounded sequences of positive real numbers. Prove that  $\limsup_{n \to \infty} (a_n b_n) \leq (\limsup_{n \to \infty} a_n)(\limsup_{n \to \infty} b_n).$ 

**3.** Let  $\{a_n\}$  be a sequence of real numbers such that  $\lim_{n\to\infty} a_n = 0$ . Define a new sequence  $\{b_n\}$  by letting  $b_n = a_n - a_{n+1}$ , for every  $n \ge 1$ . Prove that the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$  is convergent and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n = a_1$ .

**4.** (10 points) Let a be a real number.

(a) (5 points) Prove that if  $a \ge 1$ , then the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{n!}{(a+1)(a+2)\dots(a+n)}$  is convergent. (b) (5 points) Prove that if  $a \ge 2$ , then the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{n!}{(a+1)(a+2)\dots(a+n)}$  is absolutely convergent.

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