

**STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI - 600 086**  
**(For candidates admitted from the academic year 2019-20 & thereafter)**

**B. Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2024**  
**BRANCH I – MATHEMATICS**  
**FOURTH SEMESTER**

**COURSE : MAJOR CORE**  
**PAPER : SEQUENCE AND SERIES**  
**SUBJECT CODE : 19MT/MC/SS44**  
**TIME : 3 HOURS**

**MAX. MARKS : 100**

**SECTION – A**

**ANSWER ANY TEN QUESTIONS: (10×2=20)**

1. Define composition of functions.
2. Define characteristic function.
3. State least upper bound axiom.
4. Define a sequence of real numbers.
5. Define limit of a sequence.
6. Define monotone sequence.
7. Define limit superior of a sequence.
8. Give an example of conditionally convergent series.
9. State the ratio test for absolute convergence.
10. State Cauchy condensation test.
11. Define Fourier series.
12. Define an even function.

**SECTION – B**

**ANSWER ANY FIVE QUESTIONS: (5×8=40)**

13. Prove that the set of all rational numbers is countable.
14. Prove that if  $\{s_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  and  $\{t_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  are sequences of real numbers, if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = L$ , and if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} t_n = M$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (s_n + t_n) = L + M$ .
15. Prove that if the sequence of real numbers  $\{s_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is convergent, then  $\{s_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is bounded.
16. Prove that if  $\sum a_n$  is a convergent series then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$ .
17. Show that the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1/n$  is divergent.
18. State and prove comparison test.
19. Find a sine series for  $f(x) = c$  in the range 0 to  $\pi$ .

## SECTION – C

ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS:

(2×20=40)

20. a) Show that the set  $[0,1] = \{x \mid 0 \leq x \leq 1\}$  is uncountable.  
b) Prove that the sequence  $\left\{\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n\right\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  converges.
21. a) If  $\{s_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is a Cauchy sequence of real numbers, then prove that  $\{s_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is convergent.  
b) If  $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is a sequence of positive numbers such that  
a)  $a_1 \geq a_2 \geq \dots \geq a_n \geq a_{n+1} \geq \dots$  [i.e.  $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is non-increasing]  
b)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$   
then prove that the alternating series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} a_n$  is convergent.
22. a) State and prove Abel's Lemma.  
b) Determine the Fourier series expansion of the function  $f(x) = x$ , in the interval  $-\pi < x < \pi$ .

