

EXAM DURATION 1H

**Midterm 2**

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**Question 1. [2+2 marks]**

Determine whether the series converges or diverges (if it converges find the sum)

$$1. \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{3}{2^k} - 2 \left( \frac{1}{4} \right)^k \right].$$
$$2. \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left[ 7 \left( \frac{5}{6} \right)^k + \frac{2^k}{11} \right].$$

**Question 2. [2+3+2 marks]**

Investigate the convergence or divergence of the following series

$$1. \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{k^3 + 3k^2 - 1}{4k^3 + 2}.$$
$$2. \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{2}{(k+1)(k+2)}, \text{ (Hint: } \frac{1}{(k+1)(k+2)} = \frac{1}{k+1} - \frac{1}{k+2}).$$
$$3. \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{5k+1}{k^5 + 2k^3 + k^2}.$$

**Question 3. [3+2+4 marks]**

1. Use the Ratio test to study the absolute convergence for the series  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k 2^k}{5^k (3k+1)}.$
2. Determine whether the series  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{5k^2 + k - 1}{3k^2 - 2} \right)^k$  converges or diverges.
3. Determine the interval of convergence for the series  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(x-3)^k}{3^k k}.$