Entrance Examination, February 2007 Graduate School of Science and Engineering, Ehime University Master Program in Earth's Evolution and Environment Course,

Speciality: Earth Sciences 9:00-12:00

Answer the following questions. Limitation on the length of the answer to each question is not settled. You can use both sides of the answer sheet. <u>Select five questions</u> from the following thirteen questions.

- 1. What is magmatic differentiation? How does this process form several different igneous rocks from a single magma?
- 2. What is the evidence for plate tectonics?
- 3. Describe differences between the products of mechanical weathering and chemical weathering.
- 4. What is turbidite?
- 5. Distinguish between absolute and relative dating.
- 6. What is Wadati-Benioff zone?
- 7. How does the boundary between the crust and mantle differ from the boundaries that occur at depths of about 400 and 600 km?
- 8. How are mid-ocean ridges related to seafloor spreading?
- 9. List the evidence initially led geologists to conclude that mountains in orogenic belts have deep crustal roots.
- 10. What is an accretionary wedge? Explain its formation process.
- 11. Describe impacts on the atmospheric environment of burning fossil fuels. Explain its mechanism.
- 12. Explain two general types of hydrothermal deposits.
- 13. What is the concept of sustainable development of water, land and mineral resources?