

Exercise 1

Let $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and let $c \in D$. Mark each statement True or False. Justify each answer.

- a. f is continuous at c iff $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$ such that $|f(x) - f(c)| < \epsilon$ whenever $|x - c| < \delta$ and $x \in D$

True. By definition of continuous.

- b. if $f(D)$ is a bounded set, then f is continuous on D

False.

Let: $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined by $D = \{\mathbb{R}\}$ and $f = \{1 \text{ if } x \neq 0, 0 \text{ otherwise.}\}$

Pick $\epsilon = 0.5$. Notice that there is no δ such that $|f(x) - f(0)| < 0.5$

- c. if c is an isolated point of D , then f is continuous at c

True. If you just pick a δ st only $x = c$ fits in $|x - c| < \delta$ (which is possible since it's an isolated point), then that works for any $\epsilon > 0$ since $|f(x) - f(c)|$ will always be 0.

- d. if f is continuous at c and (x_n) is a sequence in D , then $x_n \rightarrow c$ whenever $f(x_n) \rightarrow f(c)$

- e. if f is continuous at c , then for every neighborhood V of $f(c)$, there exists a neighborhood U of c such that $f(U \cap D) = V$

Exercise 2 (omit d)

Let $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and let $c \in D$. Mark each statement True or False. Justify each answer.

- a. if f is continuous at c and c is an accumulation point of D , then $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = f(c)$

- b. Every polynomial is continuous at each point in \mathbb{R}

- c. if $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in D , then $\{f(x_n)\}$ is convergent.

- d. if $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are both continuous on \mathbb{R} , then $f \circ g$ and $g \circ f$ are both continuous on \mathbb{R}

Exercise 3

Let: $f(x) = (x^2 + 4x - 21)/(x - 3)$ for $x \neq 3$.

How should $f(3)$ be defined so that f will be continuous at 3?

Exercise 5 (prove the result)

Find an example of a function $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ that is continuous at exactly one point.

Exercise 10

- a. Let $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and define $|f| : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $|f|(x) = |f(x)|$. Suppose that $f(x)$ is continuous at $c \in D$. Prove that $|f|$ is continuous at c .

- b. if $|f|$ is continuous at c , does it follow that f is continuous at c ? Justify your answer.

Exercise 11 (just prove the "max" result)

Define $\max(f, g)$ and $\min(f, g)$ as in Example 2.11.

Example 2.11

$$\max(f, g)(x) = \max \{f(x), g(x)\}$$

Show that:

$$\max(f, g) = \frac{1}{2}(f + g) + \frac{1}{2}|f - g|$$

Exercise 13

Let: $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be continuous at $c \in D$ **Assume:** $f(c) > 0$

Prove that $\exists \alpha > 0$ and a neighborhood U of c st $f(x) > \alpha$, $\forall x \in U \cap D$

Exercise 16

(First prove that for any $H \subset \mathbb{R}$, $f^{-1}(\mathbb{R} \setminus H) = \mathbb{R} \setminus f^{-1}(H)$, use this in conjunction with Theorem 5.2.14)

Let: $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Prove that f is continuous on \mathbb{R} iff $f^{-1}(H)$ is a closed set whenever H is a closed set.