

Problems

5.1.8. Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given and consider the following:

$$|\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{x_0}| < \varepsilon \implies |\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{x_0}| |\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x_0}| = |x - x_0| < \varepsilon |\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x_0}|$$

Since \sqrt{x} is only defined for $x \geq 0$, we know that $x, x_0 \geq 0$. Suppose $|x - x_0| < 1$, then

$$\begin{aligned} |x - x_0| < 1 &\implies x - x_0 < 1 \implies x < x_0 + 1 \implies \sqrt{x} < \sqrt{x_0 + 1} \\ &\implies \sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x_0} = |\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x_0}| < \sqrt{x_0 + 1} + \sqrt{x_0} \end{aligned}$$

Thus we can define $\delta = \min \{1, \varepsilon (\sqrt{x_0 + 1} + \sqrt{x_0})\}$. From this we can conclude the following:

$$\begin{aligned} |x - x_0| < \delta &\implies |\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{x_0}| |\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x_0}| < \varepsilon (\sqrt{x_0 + 1} + \sqrt{x_0}) \\ &\implies |\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{x_0}| < \varepsilon \left(\frac{\sqrt{x_0 + 1} + \sqrt{x_0}}{|\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x_0}|} \right) < \varepsilon \left(\frac{\sqrt{x_0 + 1} + \sqrt{x_0}}{\sqrt{x_0 + 1} + \sqrt{x_0}} \right) = \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

Thus $|x - x_0| < \delta \implies |\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{x_0}| < \varepsilon$, thus $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \sqrt{x} = \sqrt{x_0}$. Q.E.D.

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