# MATH 355: NOTES

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### 1 The Real Numbers

#### 1.2 Some Preliminaries.

**Theorem** (Triangle Inequality). For all choices of a and b,  $|a + b| \le |a| + |b|$ .

**Theorem.** Two real numbers a and b are equal if and only if for every real number  $\epsilon > 0$  it follows that  $|a - b| < \epsilon$ .

# 1.3 The Axiom of Completeness.

**Axiom** (Axiom of Completeness). Every nonempty set of real numbers that is bounded above has a least upper bound.

**Definition.** A set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is bounded above if there exists a number  $b \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $a \leq b$  for all  $a \in A$ . The number b is called an upper bound for A.

Similarly, the set A is bounded below if there exists a lower bound  $l \in \mathbb{R}$  satisfying  $l \leq a$  for every  $a \in A$ .

**Definition.** A real number s is the *least upper bound* for a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  if it meets the following two criteria:

- (i) s is an upper bound for A;
- (ii) if b is any upper bound for A, then  $s \leq b$ .

The least upper bound is also frequently called the *supremum* of the set A. We write  $s = \sup(A)$  for the least upper bound.

The greatest lower bound or infimum for A is defined in a similar way and is denoted by  $\inf(A)$ .

**Theorem.** Let  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  be bounded above and below. Then, the  $\sup(A)$  and  $\inf(A)$  are unique.

**Definition.** A real number  $a_0$  is a maximum of the set A if  $a_0$  is an element of A and  $a_0 \ge a$  for all  $a \in A$ . Similarly, a number  $a_1$  is a minimum of A if  $a_1 \in A$  and  $a_1 \le a$  for every  $a \in A$ .

**Theorem.** Let  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  be nonempty and bounded above.

(i) Let  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  and define the set c + A by

$$c + A = \{c + a : a \in A\}.$$

Then  $\sup(c+A) = c + \sup(A)$ .

(ii) Let  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  with c > 0 and define the set cA by

$$cA = \{ca : a \in A\}.$$

Then  $\sup(cA) = c \sup(A)$ .

**Lemma.** Assume  $s \in \mathbb{R}$  is an upper bound for a set  $A \subseteq R$ . Then,  $s = \sup(A)$  if and only if, for every choice of  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists an element  $a \in A$  satisfying  $s - \epsilon < a$ .

# 1.4 Consequences of Completeness.

**Theorem** (Nested Interval Property). For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , assume we are given a closed interval  $I_n = [a_n, b_n] = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : a_n \leq x \leq b_n\}$ . Assume also that each  $I_n$  contains  $I_{n+1}$ . Then, the resulting nested sequence of closed intervals

$$I_1 \supseteq I_2 \supseteq I_3 \supseteq I_4 \supseteq \cdots$$

has a nonempty intersection; that is,  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n \neq \emptyset$ .

**Theorem** (Archimedean Property). (i) Given any number  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , there exists an  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  satisfying n > x.

(ii) Given any real number y > 0, there exists an  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  satisfying 1/n < y.

**Definition.** A set X is dense in  $\mathbb{R}$  if for any  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  with a < b,  $\exists x \in X$  with a < x < b.

**Theorem** (Density of  $\mathbb{Q}$  in  $\mathbb{R}$ ). For every two real numbers a and b with a < b, there exists a rational number r satisfying a < r < b.

#### 1.5 Cardinality.

**Definition.** A function  $f: A \to B$  is 1-1 (injective) if for all  $a_1, a_2 \in A$ ,  $f(a_1) = f(a_2)$  implies that  $a_1 = a_2$ .

**Definition.** A function  $f: A \to B$  is *onto (surjective)* if for all  $b \in B$ , there exists an  $a \in A$  such that f(a) = b.

**Definition.** A function  $f: A \to B$  is a bijection if it is both 1–1 and onto.

**Definition.** Two sets A and B have the same *cardinality* if there exists a bijection  $f: A \to B$ . In this case, we write  $A \sim B$ .

**Definition.** A set A is *finite* if there exists an  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $A \sim \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ .

**Definition.** A set A is countable if  $A \sim \mathbb{N}$ .

**Definition.** A set which is not finite nor countable is *uncountable*.

**Theorem.** (i) The set  $\mathbb{Q}$  is countable.

(ii) The set  $\mathbb{R}$  is uncountable.

**Theorem.** If  $A \subseteq B$  is countable, then A is either countable or finite.

**Theorem.** (i) If  $A_1, A_2, ..., A_m$  are each countable sets, then the union  $A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \cdots \cup A_m$  is countable.

(ii) If  $A_n$  is a countable set for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$  is countable.

#### 1.6 Cantor's Theorem.

**Theorem.** The open interval  $(0,1) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : 0 < x < 1\}$  is uncountable.

**Definition.** Given a set A, the *power set* P(A) refers to the collection of all subsets of A.

**Theorem** (Cantor's Theorem). Given any set A, there does not exist a function  $f: A \to P(A)$  that is onto.

## 2 Sequences and Series

#### 2.2 The Limit of a Sequence.

**Definition.** A sequence is a function whose domain is  $\mathbb{N}$ .

**Definition** (Convergence of a Sequence). A sequence  $(a_n)$  converges to a real number a if, for every positive number  $\epsilon$ , there exists and  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that whenever  $n \geq N$ , it follows that  $|a_n - a| < \epsilon$ .

**Definition.** Given a real number  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  and a positive number  $\epsilon > 0$ , the set

$$V_{\epsilon}(a) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : |x - a| < \epsilon\} = (a - \epsilon, a + \epsilon)$$

is called the  $\epsilon$ -neighborhood of a.

**Definition** (Convergence of a Sequence: Topological Version). A sequence  $(a_n)$  converges to a if, given any  $\epsilon$ -neighborhood  $V_{\epsilon}(a)$  of a, there exists a point in the sequence after which all of the terms are in  $V_{\epsilon}(a)$ . In other words, every  $\epsilon$ -neighborhood contains all but a finite number of terms of  $(a_n)$ .

**Theorem** (Uniqueness of Limits). The limit of a sequence, when it exists, must be unique.

**Definition.** A sequence that does not converge is said to diverge.

## 2.3 The Algebraic and Order Limit Theorems.

**Definition.** A sequence  $(x_n)$  is bounded if there exists a number M > 0 such that  $|x_n| \leq M$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Theorem.** Every convergent sequence is bounded.

**Theorem** (Algebraic Limit Theorem). Let  $\lim a_n = a$  and  $\lim b_n = b$ . Then,

- (i)  $\lim(ca_n) = ca$ , for all  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ ;
- (ii)  $\lim(a_n + b_n) = a + b$ ;
- (iii)  $\lim(a_nb_n)=ab;$
- (iv)  $\lim (a_n/b_n) = a/b$ , provided  $b \neq 0$ .

**Theorem** (Order Limit Theorem). Assume  $\lim a_n = a$  and  $\lim b_n = b$ .

- (i) If  $a_n \geq 0$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $a \geq 0$ .
- (ii) If  $a_n \leq b_n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $a \leq b$ .
- (iii) If there exists  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  for which  $c \leq b_n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $c \leq b$ . Similarly, if  $a_n \leq c$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $a \leq c$ .

# 2.4 The Monotone Convergence Theorem and a First Look at Infinite Series.

**Definition.** A sequence  $(a_n)$  is *increasing* if  $a_n \leq a_{n+1}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and *decreasing* if  $a_n \geq a_{n+1}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . A sequence is *monotone* if it is either increasing or decreasing.

**Theorem** (Monotone Convergence Theorem). If a sequence is monotone and bounded, then it converges.

**Definition** (Convergence of a Series). Let  $(b_n)$  be a sequence. An *infinite series* is a formal expression of the form

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n = b_1 + b_2 + b_3 + b_4 + b_5 + \cdots$$

We definite the corresponding sequence of partial sums  $(s_m)$  by

$$s_m = b_1 + b_2 + b_3 + \dots + b_m,$$

and say that the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$  converges to B if the sequence  $(s_m)$  converges to B. In this case, we write  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n = B$ .

**Theorem** (Cauchy Condensation Test). Suppose  $(b_n)$  is decreasing and satisfies  $b_n \geq 0$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then, the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$  converges if and only if the series

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 2^n b_{2^n} = b_1 + 2b_2 + 4b_4 + 8b_8 + 16b_{16} + \cdots$$

converges.

**Corollary.** The series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1/n^p$  converges if and only if p > 1.

# 2.5 Subsequences and the Bolzano-Weierstrass Theorem.

**Definition.** Let  $(a_n)$  be a sequence of real numbers, and let  $n_1 < n_2 < n_3 < n_4 < n_5 < \dots$  be an increasing sequence of natural numbers. Then the sequence

$$(a_{n_1}, a_{n_2}, a_{n_3}, a_{n_4}, a_{n_5}, \ldots)$$

is called a *subsequence* of  $(a_n)$  and is denoted by  $(a_{n_k})$ , where  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  indexes the subsequence.

**Theorem.** Subsequences of a convergent sequence converge to the same limit as the original sequence.

**Corollary** (Divergence Criterion). Suppose that  $(a_n)$  is a sequence and  $(a_{n_k})$  is a subsequence that diverges, then  $(a_n)$  diverges. If  $(a_{n_k}^1)$  and  $(a_{n_k}^2)$  converge to  $a^1$  and  $a^2$  with  $a^1 \neq a^2$ , then  $(a_n)$  diverges.

**Theorem** (Bolzano-Weierstrass Theorem). Every bounded sequence contains a convergent subsequence.

# 2.6 The Cauchy Criterion.

**Definition.** A sequence  $(a_n)$  is called a *Cauchy sequence* if, for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists an  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that whenever  $m, n \geq N$  it follows that  $|a_n - a_m| < \epsilon$ .

**Theorem.** Every convergence sequence is a Cauchy sequence.

**Lemma.** Cauchy sequences are bounded.

**Theorem** (Cauchy Criterion). A sequence converges if and only if it is a Cauchy sequence.

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# 2.7 Properties of Infinite Series.

**Theorem** (Algebraic Limit Theorem for Series). If  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k = A$  and  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k = A$ 

(i) 
$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} ca_k = cA \text{ for all } c \in \mathbb{R} \text{ and}$$
  
(ii)  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (a_k + b_k) = A + B$ .

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**Theorem** (Cauchy Criterion for Series). The series  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$  converges if and only if, given  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists an  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that whenever  $n > m \geq N$  it follows that

$$|a_{m+1} + a_{m+2} + \dots + a_n| < \epsilon.$$

**Theorem** (Divergence Test). If the series  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$  converges, then  $(a_k) \to 0$ . Equivalently, if  $(a_k) \not\to 0$ , then  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$  diverges.

**Theorem** (Comparison Test). Assume  $(a_k)$  and  $(b_k)$  are sequences satisfying  $0 \le \infty$ 

- (i) If  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k$  converges, then  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$  converges. (ii) If  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$  diverges, then  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k$  diverges.

**Theorem** (Squeeze Theorem). Suppose  $a_n \leq b_n \leq c_n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , and if  $\lim a_n =$  $\lim c_n = l$ , then  $\lim b_n = l$  as well.

**Definition** (Geometric Series). A series is called *geometric* if it is of the form

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} ar^k = a + ar + ar^2 + ar^3 + \cdots$$

**Theorem.**  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} ar^k = \frac{a}{1-r}$  if and only if |r| < 1.

**Theorem** (Absolute Convergence Test). If the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n|$  converges, then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  converges as well.

**Theorem** (Alternating Series Test). Let  $(a_n)$  be a sequence satisfying,

(i) 
$$a_1 \ge a_2 \ge a_3 \ge \cdots \ge a_n \ge a_{n+1} \ge \cdots$$
 and

(ii) 
$$(a_n) \to 0$$
.

Then, the alternating series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} a_n$  converges.

**Definition.** If  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n|$  converges, then we say that the original series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  converges absolutely. If, on the other hand, the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  converges but the series of absolute values  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n|$  does not converge, then we say that the original series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  converges conditionally.

**Theorem** (Ratio Test). Given a series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  with  $a_n \neq 0$ , if  $(a_n)$  satisfies

$$\lim \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = r < 1,$$

then the series converges absolutely.

#### 3 Basic Topology of $\mathbb{R}$

#### 3.2 Open and Closed Sets.

**Definition.** A set  $O \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is *open* if for all points  $a \in O$  there exists an  $\epsilon$ -neighborhood  $V_{\epsilon}(a) \subseteq O$ .

**Theorem.** (i) The union of an arbitrary collection of open sets is open.

(ii) The intersection of a finite collection of open sets is open.

**Definition.** A point x is a *limit point* of a set A if every  $\epsilon$ -neighborhood  $V_{\epsilon}(x)$  of x intersects the set A at some point other than x.

**Theorem.** A point x is a limit point of a set A if and only if  $x = \lim a_n$  for some sequence  $(a_n)$  contained in A satisfying  $a_n \neq x$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Definition.** A point  $a \in A$  is an *isolated point of* A if it is not a limit point of A.

**Definition.** A set  $F \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is *closed* if it contains its limit points.

**Theorem.** A set  $F \subset \mathbb{R}$  is closed if and only if every Cauchy sequence contained in F has a limit that is also an element of F.

**Definition.** Given a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ , let L be the set of all limit points of A. The *closure* of A is defined to be  $\overline{A} = A \cup L$ .

**Theorem.** For any  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ , the closure  $\overline{A}$  is a closed set and is the smallest closed set containing A.

**Theorem.** A set O is open if and only if  $O^c$  is closed. Likewise, a set F is closed if and only if  $F^c$  is open.

**Theorem.** (i) The union of a finite collection of closed sets is closed.

(ii) The intersection of an arbitrary collection of closed sets is closed.

# 3.3 Compact Sets.

**Definition** (Compactness). A set  $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is *compact* if every sequence in K has a subsequence that converges to a limit that is also in K.

**Definition.** A set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is *bounded* if there exists M > 0 such that  $|a| \leq M$  for all  $a \in A$ .

**Theorem** (Characterization of Compactness in  $\mathbb{R}$ ). A set  $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is compact if and only if it is closed and bounded.

Theorem (Nested Compact Set Property). If

$$K_1 \supseteq K_2 \supseteq K_3 \supseteq K_4 \supseteq \cdots$$

is a nested sequence of nonempty compact sets, then the intersection  $\cap_{n=1}^{\infty} K_n$  is not empty.

**Definition.** Let  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ . An open cover for A is a (possibly infinite) collection of open sets  $\{O_{\lambda} : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  whose union contains the set A; that is,  $A \subseteq \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} O_{\lambda}$ . Given an open cover for A, a *finite subcover* is a finite subcollection of open sets from the original open cover whose union still manages to completely contain A.

**Theorem** (Heine-Borel Theorem). Let K be a subset of  $\mathbb{R}$ . All of the following statements are equivalent in the sense that any one of them implies the two others:

- (i) K is compact.
- (ii) K is closed and bounded.
- (iii) Every open cover for K has a finite subcover.

# 4 Functional Limits and Continuity

#### 4.2 Functional Limits.

**Definition** (Functional Limit). Let  $f: A \to \mathbb{R}$ , and let c be a limit point of the domain A. We say that  $\lim_{x\to c} f(x) = L$  provided that, for all  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists a  $\delta > 0$  such that whenever  $0 < |x-c| < \delta$  (and  $x \in A$ ) it follows that  $|f(x) - L| < \epsilon$ .

**Definition** (Functional Limit: Topological Version). Let c be a limit point of the domain of  $f: A \to \mathbb{R}$ . We say  $\lim_{x\to c} f(x) = L$  provided that, for every  $\epsilon$ -neighborhood  $V_{\epsilon}(L)$  of L, there exists a  $\delta$ -neighborhood  $V_{\delta}(c)$  around c with the property that for all  $x \in V_{\delta}(c)$  different from c (with  $x \in A$ ) it follows that  $f(x) \in V_{\epsilon}(L)$ .

**Theorem** (Sequential Criterion for Functional Limits). Given a function  $f: A \to \mathbb{R}$  and a limit point c of A, the following two statements are equivalent:

- (i)  $\lim_{x\to c} f(x) = L$ .
- (ii) For all sequences  $(x_n) \subseteq A$  satisfying  $x_n \neq c$  and  $(x_n) \rightarrow c$ , it follows that  $f(x_n) \rightarrow L$ .

**Corollary** (Algebraic Limit Theorem for Functional Limits). Let f and g be functions defined on a domain  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ , and assume  $\lim_{x\to c} f(x) = L$  and  $\lim_{x\to c} g(x) = M$  for some limit point c of A. Then,

- (i)  $\lim_{x\to c} kf(x) = kL \text{ for all } k \in \mathbb{R},$
- (ii)  $\lim_{x\to c} [f(x) + g(x)] = L + M$ ,
- (iii)  $\lim_{x\to c} [f(x)g(x)] = LM$ , and
- (iv)  $\lim_{x\to c} f(x)/g(x) = L/M$ , provided  $M\neq 0$ .

**Corollary** (Divergence Criterion for Functional Limits). Let f be a function defined on A, and let c be a limit point of A. If there exists two sequences  $(x_n)$  and  $(y_n)$  in A with  $x_n \neq c$  and  $y_n \neq c$  and

$$\lim x_n = \lim y_n = c$$
 but  $\lim f(x_n) \neq \lim f(y_n)$ ,

then we can conclude that the functional limit  $\lim_{x\to c} f(x)$  does not exist.

# 4.3 Continuous Functions.

**Definition** (Continuity). A function  $f: A \to \mathbb{R}$  is continuous at a point  $c \in A$  if, for all  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists a  $\delta > 0$  such that whenever  $|x - c| < \delta$  (and  $x \in A$ ) it follows that  $|f(x) - f(c)| < \epsilon$ .

If f is continuous at every point in the domain A, then we say that f is continuous on A.

**Theorem** (Characterizations of Continuity). Let  $f: A \to \mathbb{R}$ , and let  $c \in A$ . The function f is continuous at c if and only if any one of the following three conditions is met:

- (i) For all  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists a  $\delta > 0$  such that  $|x c| < \delta$  (and  $x \in A$ ) implies  $|f(x) f(c)| < \epsilon$ ;
- (ii) For all  $V_{\epsilon}(f(c))$ , there exists a  $V_{\delta}(c)$  with the property that  $x \in V_{\delta}(c)$  (and  $x \in A$ ) implies  $f(x) \in V_{\epsilon}(f(c))$ ;
- (iii) For all  $(x_n) \to c$  (with  $x_n \in A$ ), it follows that  $f(x_n) \to f(c)$ .
- (iv) If c is a limit point of A, then the above conditions are equivalent to  $\lim_{x\to c} f(x) = f(c)$ .

**Corollary** (Criterion for Discontinuity). Let  $f: A \to \mathbb{R}$ , and let  $c \in A$  be a limit point of A. If there exists a sequence  $(x_n) \subseteq A$  where  $(x_n) \to c$  but such that  $f(x_n)$  does not converge to f(c), we may conclude that f is not continuous at c.

**Theorem** (Algebraic Continuity Theorem). Assume  $f: A \to \mathbb{R}$  and  $g: A \to \mathbb{R}$  are continuous at point  $c \in A$ . Then,

- (i) kf(x) is continuous at c for all  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ ;
- (ii) f(x) + g(x) is continuous at c;
- (iii) f(x)g(x) is continuous at c; and
- (iv) f(x)/g(x) is continuous at c, provided the quotient is defined.

# 4.4 Continuous Functions on Compact Sets.

**Theorem** (Preservation of Compact Sets). Let  $f: A \to \mathbb{R}$  be continuous on A. If  $K \subseteq A$  is compact, then f(K) is compact as well.

**Theorem** (Extreme Value Theorem). If  $f: K \to \mathbb{R}$  is continuous on a compact set  $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ , then f attains a maximum and minimum value. In other words, there exists  $x_0, x_1 \in K$  such that  $f(x_0) \leq f(x) \leq f(x_1)$  for all  $x \in K$ .

**Definition** (Uniform Continuity). A function  $f: A \to \mathbb{R}$  is uniformly continuous on A if for every  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists a  $\delta > 0$  such that for all  $x, y \in A$ ,  $|x - y| < \delta$  implies  $f(x) - f(y) < \epsilon$ .

**Theorem** (Sequential Criterion for Absence of Uniform Continuity). A function  $f: A \to \mathbb{R}$  fails to be uniformly continuous on A if and only if there exists a particular  $\epsilon_0 > 0$  and two sequences  $(x_n)$  and  $(y_n)$  in A satisfying

$$|x_n - y_n| \to 0$$
 but  $|f(x_n) - f(y_n)| \ge \epsilon_0$ .

**Theorem** (Uniform Continuity on Compact Sets). A function that is continuous on a compact set K is uniformly continuous on K.

#### 4.5 The Intermediate Value Theorem.

**Theorem** (Intermediate Value Theorem). Let  $f : [a,b] \to \mathbb{R}$  be continuous. If L is a real number satisfying f(a) < L < f(b) or f(a) > L > f(b), then there exists a point  $c \in (a,b)$  where f(c) = L.

# 5 The Derivative

# 5.2 Derivatives and the Intermediate Value Property.

**Definition** (Differentiability). Let  $g: A \to \mathbb{R}$  be a function defined on an interval A. Given  $c \in A$ , the *derivative of* g *at* c is defined by

$$g'(c) = \lim_{x \to c} \frac{g(x) - g(c)}{x - c},$$

provided this limit exists. In this case we say g is differentiable at c. If g' exists for all points  $c \in A$ , we say that g is differentiable on A.

**Theorem.** If  $g: A \to \mathbb{R}$  is differentiable at point  $c \in A$ , then g is continuous at c at well.

**Theorem** (Algebraic Differentiability Theorem). Let f and g be functions defined on an interval A, and assume both are differentiable at some point  $c \in A$ . Then,

- (i) (f+g)'(c) = f'(c) + g'(c),
- (ii) (kf)'(c) = kf'(c), for all  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ ,
- (iii) (fg)'(c) = f'(c)g(c) + f(c)g'(c), and
- (iv)  $(f/g)'(c) = \frac{g(c)f'(c) f(c)g'(c)}{[g(c)]^2}$ , provided that  $g(c) \neq 0$ .

**Theorem** (Chain Rule). Let  $f: A \to \mathbb{R}$  and  $g: B \to \mathbb{R}$  satisfy  $f(A) \subseteq B$  so that the composition  $g \circ f$  is defined. If f is differentiable at  $c \in A$  and if g is differentiable at  $f(c) \in B$ , then  $g \circ f$  is differentiable at c with  $(g \circ f)'(c) = g'(f(c)) \cdot f'(c)$ .

**Theorem** (Interior Extremum Theorem). Let f be differentiable on an open interval (a,b). If f attains a maximum value at some point  $c \in (a,b)$  (i.e.,  $f(c) \geq f(x)$  for all  $x \in (a,b)$ ), then f'(c) = 0. The same is true if f(c) is a minimum value.

# 5.3 The Mean Value Theorems.

**Theorem** (Rolle's Theorem). Let  $f : [a,b] \to \mathbb{R}$  be continuous on [a,b] and differentiable on (a,b). If f(a) = f(b), then there exists a point  $c \in (a,b)$  where f'(c) = 0.

**Theorem** (Mean Value Theorem). If  $f : [a,b] \to \mathbb{R}$  is continuous on [a,b] and differentiable on (a,b), then there exists a point  $c \in (a,b)$  where

$$f'(c) = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}.$$

**Corollary.** If  $g: A \to \mathbb{R}$  is differentiable on an interval A and satisfies g'(x) = 0 for all  $x \in A$ , then g(x) = k for some constant  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ .

**Corollary.** If f and g are differentiable functions on an interval A and satisfy f'(x) = g'(x) for all  $x \in A$ , then f(x) = g(x) + k for some constant  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ .

6 SEQUENCES AND SERIES OF FUNCTIONS

# 6.2 Uniform Convergence of a Sequence of Functions.

**Definition** (Pointwise Convergence). For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $f_n$  be a function defined on a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ . The sequence  $(f_n)$  of functions converges pointwise on A to a function f if, for all  $x \in A$ , the sequence of real numbers  $f_n(x)$  converges to f(x).

In this case, we write  $f_n \to f$ ,  $\lim f_n = f$ , or  $\lim_{n \to \infty} f_n(x) = f(x)$ . This last expression is helpful if there is any confusion as to whether x or n is the limiting variable.

**Definition** (Pointwise Convergence). Let  $(f_n)$  be a sequence of functions defined on a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ . Then,  $(f_n)$  converges pointwise on A to a limit f defined on A if, for every  $\epsilon > 0$  and  $x \in A$ , there exists an  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  (perhaps dependent on x) such that  $|f_n(x) - f(x)| < \epsilon$  whenever  $n \ge N$ .

**Definition** (Uniform Convergence). Let  $(f_n)$  be a sequence of functions defined on a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ . Then,  $(f_n)$  converges uniformly on A to a limit function f defined on A if, for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists an  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $|f_n(x) - f(x)| < \epsilon$  whenever  $n \geq N$  and  $x \in A$ .

**Theorem** (Cauchy Criterion for Uniform Convergence). A sequence of functions  $(f_n)$  defined on a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  converges uniformly on A if and only if for every  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists an  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $|f_n(x) - f_m(x)| < \epsilon$  whenever  $m, n \geq N$  and  $x \in A$ .

**Theorem** (Continuous Limit Theorem). Let  $(f_n)$  be a sequence of functions defined on  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  that converges uniformly on A to a function f. If each  $f_n$  is continuous at  $c \in A$ , then f is continuous at c.

# 6.3 Uniform Convergence and Differentiation.

**Theorem** (Differentiable Limit Theorem). Let  $f_n \to f$  pointwise on the closed interval [a,b], and assume that each  $f_n$  is differentiable. If  $(f'_n)$  converges uniformly on [a,b] to a function g, then the function is differentiable and f'=g.

#### 6.4 Series of Functions.

**Definition.** For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $f_n$  and f be functions defined on a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ . The infinite series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n(x) = f_1(x) + f_2(x) + f_3(x) + \cdots$$

converges pointwise on A to f(x) if the sequence  $s_k(x)$  of partial sums defined by

$$s_k(x) = f_1(x) + f_2(x) + \dots + f_k(x)$$

converges pointwise to f(x). The series converges uniformly on A to f if the sequence  $s_k(x)$  converges uniformly on A to f(x).

In either case, we write  $f = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n$  or  $f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n(x)$ , always being explicit about the type of convergence involved.

**Theorem** (Term-by-term Continuity Theorem). Let  $f_n$  be continuous functions defined on a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ , and assume  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n$  converges uniformly on A to a function f. Then, f is continuous on A.

**Theorem** (Term-by-term Differentiability Theorem). Let  $f_n$  be differentiable functions defined on an interval A, and assume  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f'_n(x)$  converges uniformly to a limit g(x) on A. If  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n(x)$  converges pointwise to f(x), then f(x) is differentiable and f'(x) = g(x) on A.

**Theorem** (Cauchy Criterion for Uniform Convergence of Series). A series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n$  converges uniformly on  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  if and only if for every  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists an  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$|f_{m+1}(x) + f_{m+2}(x) + f_{m+3}(x) + \dots + f_n(x)| < \epsilon$$

whenever  $n > m \ge N$  and  $x \in A$ .

**Corollary** (Weierstrass M-Test). For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $f_n$  be a function defined on a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ , and let  $M_n > 0$  be a real number satisfying

$$|f_n(x)| \le M_n$$

for all  $x \in A$ . If  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} M_n$  converges, then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n$  converges uniformly on A.

# 6.5 Power Series.

**Theorem.** If a power series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$  converges at some point  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ , then it converges absolutely for any x satisfying  $|x| < |x_0|$ .

**Theorem.** If a power series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$  converges absolutely at a point  $x_0$ , then it converges uniformly on the closed interval [-c,c], where  $c=|x_0|$ .

**Lemma** (Abel's Lemma). Let  $b_n$  satisfy  $b_1 \ge b_2 \ge b_3 \ge \cdots \ge 0$ , and let  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  be a series for which the partial sums are bounded. In other words, assume there exists A > 0 such that

$$|a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n| \le A$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then, for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$|a_1b_1 + a_2b_2 + a_3b_3 + \dots + a_nb_n| \le Ab_1.$$

**Theorem** (Abel's Theorem). Let  $g(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$  be a power series that converges at the point x = R > 0. Then the series converges uniformly on the interval [0, R]. A similar result holds if the series converges at x = -R.

**Theorem.** If a power series converges pointwise on the set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ , then it converges uniformly on any compact set  $K \subseteq A$ .

**Theorem.** If  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$  converges for all  $x \in (-R, R)$ , then the differentiated series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^{n-1}$  converges at each  $x \in (-R, R)$  as well. Consequently, the convergence is uniform on compact sets contained in (-R, R).

Theorem. Assume

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$$

converges on an interval  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ . The function f is continuous on A and differentiable on any open interval  $(-R, R) \subseteq A$ . The derivative is given by

$$f'(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} na_n x^{n-1}.$$

Moreover, f is infinitely differentiable on (-R, R), and the successive derivatives can be obtained via term-by-term differentiable of the appropriate series.