

**Problem 1****Part (a)**

Fix  $\epsilon > 0$ . Let us assume that  $|x - 2| < \delta$  for some  $\delta > 0$  to be determined later. Then  $|x^3 - 8| = |(x - 2)(x^2 + 2x + 4)|$ . Assume that  $\delta \leq 1$ . Then  $|(x - 2)(x^2 + 2x + 4)| \leq |x - 2|(3^2 + 6 + 4) = 19|x - 2|$ .

So  $|x^3 - 8| \leq 19|x - 2| < 19\delta$ . Choose  $\delta = \min(1, \frac{\epsilon}{19})$ . If  $0 < |x - 2| < \delta$  then because  $\delta < 1$ ,  $1 < x < 3$  so

$$|x^3 - 8| \leq 19|x - 2| < 19\delta \leq 19\left(\frac{\epsilon}{19}\right) = \epsilon$$

**Part (b)**

Choose  $\delta_0 = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $C = \frac{1}{2}$ . Then  $|x - 1| < \frac{1}{2} \implies -\frac{1}{2} < x - 1 < \frac{1}{2} \implies \frac{1}{2} < x < \frac{3}{2} \implies \frac{1}{2} < |x| < \frac{3}{2}$ . If  $\frac{1}{2} < |x| < \frac{3}{2} \implies \frac{2}{3} < \frac{1}{|x|} < 2 \implies \frac{|x-1|}{x} < 2|x-1|$ . Fix  $\epsilon > 0$ . Let  $\delta = \min(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{\epsilon}{2})$ . Then

$$\left|\frac{1}{x} - 1\right| = \left|\frac{x-1}{x}\right| = \frac{|x-1|}{|x|} < 2|x-1| < 2\frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon$$

**Part (c)**

Fix  $\epsilon > 0$ . Assume  $|x - a| < \delta$  for some  $\delta > 0$  to be found later. Then  $|x^2 - a^2| = |(x - a)(x + a)| = |x - a||x + a| < \delta|x + a|$ . We know that  $|x - a| < \delta \implies |x + a| = |(x - a) + 2a| \leq |x - a| + 2a < \delta + 2a$ . Assume that  $\delta \leq 1$ . Then  $|x + a| < 1 + 2a$  so  $|x^2 - a^2| < \delta(1 + 2a)$ . We want to have  $\delta(1 + 2a) \leq \epsilon \implies \delta \leq \frac{\epsilon}{1+2a}$ . Define  $\delta = \min(1, \frac{\epsilon}{1+2a})$ . Take  $\forall x$  such that  $0 < |x - a| < \delta$ . Then by previous computations  $|x^2 - a^2| < \delta|x + a| < \delta(1 + 2a) \leq \epsilon$ . So  $|x^2 - a^2| < \epsilon \forall x$  such that  $|x - a| < \delta$ .

**Problem 2****Problem 3****Part (a)**

$\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists N$  such that  $\forall n \geq N |a_n - L| < \epsilon \iff \forall \epsilon > 0 \exists N$  such that  $\forall n \geq N |(a_n) - L| - 0| < \epsilon$ .

**Part (b)**

$\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists N$  such that  $\forall n \geq N |b_n - 0| < \epsilon \implies |b_n| < \epsilon$ . For all  $n$   $|a_n - L| \leq b_n$  so for all  $n \geq N$   $|a_n - L| \leq b_n \implies |a_n - L| \leq |b_n| < \epsilon$  so by definition the limit of  $a_n$  is  $L$ .

**Part (c)**

$$(a) \lim f(x) = L \iff \lim(f(x) - L) = 0$$

$$(b) f(x) - L \leq g(x) \forall x, \lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = 0 \implies \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L.$$

## Problem 4

### Part (a)

We know by the definition of the limit that  $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$  such that  $|f(x) - L| < \epsilon \forall x$  such that  $0 < |x - a| < \delta$ . We want to show that  $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$  such that  $||f(x)| - |L|| < \epsilon \forall x$  such that  $0 < |x - a| < \delta$ . Fix some  $\epsilon > 0$  then, because  $||f(x)| - |L|| \leq |f(x) - L|$  we can use the same  $\delta$  guaranteed by the existence of the limit of  $f(x)$  and thus for all  $x$  such that  $0 < |x - a| < \delta$

$$||f(x)| - |L|| < |f(x) - L| < \epsilon$$

and thus the limit of  $|f|$  as  $x$  goes to  $a$  is  $|L|$ .

### Part (b)

Assume without loss of generality that  $u \geq v$ . Then  $u - v \geq 0$  so  $|u - v| = u - v$ . Thus  $\frac{u+v+|u-v|}{2} = \frac{2u}{2} = u = \max(u, v)$ . Similarly  $\frac{u+v-|u-v|}{2} = \frac{u+v-u+v}{2} = \frac{2v}{2} = v = \min(u, v)$ .

## Problem 5

See midterm.

## Problem 6

### Part (a)

Let  $C = \sqrt{5}$ . Then let  $\epsilon = \sqrt{5}$ . We know by definition of the limit that for all  $n > 7 + \frac{10}{\epsilon^2} = 9$ ,  $|a_n - 4| < \sqrt{5}$ . So  $-\sqrt{5} < a_n - 4 < \sqrt{5} \implies 4 - \sqrt{5} < a_n < 4 + \sqrt{5}$ .  $-(4 + \sqrt{5}) < 4 - \sqrt{5}$  so  $-(4 + \sqrt{5}) < a_n < (4 + \sqrt{5}) \implies |a_n| < 4 + \sqrt{5}$ . Thus the conditions are satisfied for  $N = 9, C = 4 + \sqrt{5}$ .

### Part (b)

$$|a_n^2 - 16| = |(a_n - 4)(a_n + 4)| \tag{1}$$

$$= |a_n - 4||a_n + 4| \tag{2}$$

$$< \frac{\epsilon}{8 + \sqrt{5}} |a_n + 4| \text{ for } n > 7 + \frac{10}{(\epsilon/(8 + \sqrt{5})^2)} \tag{3}$$

$$\leq \frac{\epsilon}{8 + \sqrt{5}} (|a_n| + 4) \tag{4}$$

$$\leq \frac{\epsilon}{8 + \sqrt{5}} (8 + \sqrt{5}) \text{ for } n \geq 9 \tag{5}$$

$$= \epsilon \tag{6}$$

So for any  $\epsilon > 0$  for all  $n \geq M(\epsilon) = \max(9, (10(8 + \sqrt{5})^2)/\epsilon + 7)$ ,  $|a_n^2 - 16| < \epsilon$ .

## Problem 7

### Part (a)

Sequences are infinite. Let  $S$  = the set of  $n$  such that  $|a_n - L| \geq \epsilon$ . This is a finite subset of  $\mathbb{N}$  so it contains a maximum element. Let  $N = \max(S) + 1$ . Thus, because  $n \geq N \implies n \notin S \implies |a_n - L| < \epsilon$ , for every  $\epsilon$ , for all  $n \geq N$ .

$$|a_n - L| < \epsilon$$

so  $a_n$  converges to  $L$  by definition of the limit.

### Part (b)

Assume (i). It was shown in class that if a sequence converges to a number then so must all of its subsequences. Thus (ii) is impossible. Thus the two cannot hold simultaneously.

Assume (i) does not hold. By (a) there are infinitely many  $n$  such that  $|a_n - L| \geq \epsilon$  for some  $\epsilon > 0$ . Thus you can construct a subsequence out of only  $a_n$  such that  $|a_n - L| > \epsilon$ . This clearly cannot converge to  $L$  or have a subsequence that converges to  $L$ . It is bounded because  $a_n$  is bounded so by Bolzano-Weierstrass it had a convergent subsequence (that doesn't converge to  $L$ ). This is also a subsequence of  $a_n$  so (ii) is true. Thus one of (i) and (ii) must hold.

## Problem 8