Exercise 4.4.9

HW #9

4.5.3, 4.5.7

(Lipschitz Function) A function $f: A \to \mathbb{R}$ is called Lipschitz if there exists a bound M > 0 such that

$$\left|\frac{f(x) - f(y)}{x - y}\right| \le M$$

for all $x \neq y \in A$. Geometrically speaking, a function f is Lipschitz if there is a uniform bound on the magnitude of the slopes of lines drawn through any two points in the graph of f.

a) Show that if $f: A \to \mathbb{R}$ is lipschitz, then it is uniformly continuous on A.

Solution:

Let $\varepsilon > 0$ and $\delta = \varepsilon/M$.

$$|x - y| < \delta$$

$$|x - y| < \varepsilon/M$$

$$M|x - y| < \varepsilon$$

$$|f(x) - f(y)| < M|x - y| < \varepsilon$$

$$|f(x) - f(y)| < \varepsilon$$

Thus f is uniformly continuous.

b) Is the converse statement true? Are all uniformly continuous functions necessarily Lipschitz?

Solution:

It is. A function is not uniformly continuous when it has an unbounded slope between two points. So when a function is uniformly continuous it must have a bounded slope.

Exercise 4.5.2ab

Provide an example of each of the following, or explain why the request is impossible.

a) A continuous function defined on an open interval with range equal to a closed interval.

Solution:

Let
$$f(x) = 1$$

This range will always be 1, which will be closed because its an isolated point.

b) A continuous function defined on a closed interval with a range equal to an open interval.

Solution:

If these intrvals were also bounded then by the intermediate value theorem this would be impossible. However we can consider \mathbb{R} as a closed and open set. Therefore f(x) = x is defined on a closed interval and maps to an open interval.

Exercise 4.5.3

A function f is increasing on A if $f(x) \le f(y)$ for all x < y in A. Show that if f is increasing on [a,b] and satisfies the intermediate value property (Def 4.5.3), then f is continuous on [a,b].

Solution:	

Exercise 4.5.7

Let f be a continuous function on the closed interval [0,1] with range also contained in [0,1]. Prove that f must have a fixed point; that is, show f(x) = x for at least one value of $x \in [0,1]$

Solution:

I will show that f(x) = x exists.

Since the range is contined in [0, 1] then there exists at least one point, $c \in [0, 1]$, where f(c) = x.

But since x is also an element of the domain, and every element in the domain is mapped to the range. There will always exists a point c in the domain such that f(c) = c, maps back to itself. Thus a fixed point exists.

Since the entire domain will be mapped to the range, whether is be only c or a portion of [0,1],