

Note that I am operating under the convention that  $N, n, m, i, j$  are natural numbers unless otherwise specified. I am also operating under the convention  $v_a(b) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : b - a < x < b + a\}$

**Exercise :** Prove the following

(a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} (3x + 4) = 10$

*Proof.* Choose  $\epsilon > 0$ . Define  $\delta = \epsilon/3 > 0$ . Choose a  $x$  such that  $0 < |x - 2| < \delta$ . Note that  $-\delta < x - 2 < \delta$  so  $2 - \delta < x < 2 + \delta$  or  $6 - 3\delta < 3x < 6 + 3\delta$  so  $10 - \epsilon < 3x + 4 < 10 + \epsilon$  or  $|(3x + 4) - 10| < \epsilon$ .  $\square$

(b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^3 = 0$

*Proof.* Choose  $\epsilon > 0$ . Define  $\delta^3 = \epsilon$ . Note that  $\delta > 0$ . Choose a  $x$  such that  $0 < |x| < \delta$ . Note that  $-\delta < x < \delta$  so  $-\delta^3 < x^3 < \delta^3$  or  $|x^3| < \epsilon$ .  $\square$

**Exercise :** 4.2.1 a,b

(a) Show how Corollary 4.2.4 (ii) follows from the sequential criterion for limits in therm 4.2.3 and the algebraic limit therm.

*Proof.* Suppose as  $x \rightarrow c$ ,  $f(x) \rightarrow L$  and  $g(x) \rightarrow M$ . Where  $f$  and  $g$  have domain  $A$ . Choose a sequence  $a_n$  where  $a_n \in A - \{c\}$  and  $a_n \rightarrow c$ . Define  $h(x) = f(x) + g(x)$  and define the sequences  $f_n = f(a_n)$ ,  $g_n = g(a_n)$ , and  $h_n = h(a_n)$ . Note that  $g_n \rightarrow M$  and  $f_n \rightarrow L$ . Note that  $h_n = g_n + f_n$ . by the arithmetic limit therm  $h_n \rightarrow L + M$ . Since  $a_n$  was chosen arbitrarily we can say that  $h(x) \rightarrow L + M$  and  $x \rightarrow c$ .  $\square$

(b) Prove again from definition.

*Proof.* Suppose as  $x \rightarrow c$ ,  $f(x) \rightarrow L$  and  $g(x) \rightarrow M$ . Where  $f$  and  $g$  have domain  $A$ . Choose  $\epsilon > 0$ . There must exist  $\delta_1 > 0$  such that for all  $0 < |x - c| < \delta_1$ ,  $|f(x) - L| < \epsilon/2$ . There must exist  $\delta_2 > 0$  such that for all  $0 < |x - c| < \delta_2$ ,  $|g(x) - M| < \epsilon/2$ . Define  $h(x) = f(x) + g(x)$ . Define  $\delta = \min(\delta_1, \delta_2)$ . Choose  $0 < |x - c| < \delta$ . Note that  $0 < |x - c| < \delta_1$  and  $0 < |x - c| < \delta_2$  thus  $|f(x) - L| < \epsilon/2$  and  $|g(x) - M| < \epsilon/2$ . Note that  $|f(x) - L + g(x) - M| \leq |f(x) - L| + |g(x) - M| < \epsilon$  so  $|h(x) - (L + M)| < \epsilon$ .  $\square$

**Exercise :** 4.2.7

Let  $g : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and assume  $f$  is a bounded function on  $A$ , in the since that there exists  $M > 0$  such that  $f(x) < M$  for all  $x \in A$ . Show that if  $g(x) \rightarrow 0$  as  $x \rightarrow c$  that  $g(x)f(x) \rightarrow 0$ .

Define  $h(x) = g(x)f(x)$ . Choose  $\epsilon > 0$ . There must exist  $\delta_0 > 0$  such that for all  $0 < |x - c| < \delta_0$ ,  $|g(x)| < \epsilon/M$ . Choose  $x$  such that  $0 < |x - c| < \delta_0$ . Note that  $|h(x)| = |g(x)f(x)| < (\epsilon/M)(M) = \epsilon$ , thus  $h(x) \rightarrow 0$  as  $x \rightarrow c$ .

**Exercise :** 4.2.11

Let  $f(x) \leq g(x) \leq h(x)$  for all  $x$  in some common domain  $A$ . If as  $x \rightarrow c$ ,  $f(x) \rightarrow L$  and  $h(x) \rightarrow L$  show that  $g(x) \rightarrow L$  as well.

Choose an arbitrary sequence  $a_n \rightarrow c$  in  $A - \{c\}$ . Define  $f_n = f(a_n)$ ,  $g_n = g(a_n)$ , and  $h_n = h(a_n)$ . Note that  $f_n \rightarrow L$  and  $h_n \rightarrow L$ , and that  $f_n \leq g_n \leq h_n$ . By the squeeze theorem on sequences  $g_n \rightarrow L$ . Since  $a_n$  was chosen arbitrarily we can say that  $g(x) \rightarrow L$  as  $x \rightarrow c$ .

**Exercise :** 4.3.1

Define  $g(x) = x^3$ .

(a) Prove that  $g(x)$  is continuous at  $x = 0$ .

*Proof.* Choose  $\epsilon > 0$ . Define  $\delta = \sqrt[3]{\epsilon}$ . Choose  $|x| < \delta$ . Note that  $-\delta < x < \delta$  so  $-\epsilon < x^3 - 0 < \epsilon$  or  $|x^3 - 0| < \epsilon$ . Note that  $0^3 = 0$ .  $\square$

(b) Prove that  $g(x)$  is continuous at  $c \neq 0$ .

*Proof.* Choose  $c \neq 0$ . Choose  $\epsilon > 0$ . Define  $0 < \delta = \min(\sqrt[3]{\epsilon/2}, \epsilon/(9c^2), |c/2|)$ . Note that  $-c/2 \leq \delta \leq c/2$ . Choose  $|x - c| < \delta$ . Note that  $|x^3 - c^3| < \delta|x^2 + xc + c^2| = \delta|x^2 - 2xc + c^2 + 3xc| \leq \delta(|x - c||x + c| + |3xc|) < \delta^3 + |3xc|\delta$ . Note that  $|x - c| < \delta$ ,  $c - \delta < x < c + \delta$ ,  $c/2 < x < 3c/2$ ,  $0 < 3c^2/2 < 3xc < 9c^2/2$ . Note  $|x^3 - c^3| < \delta^3 + \delta 9c^2/2 \leq \epsilon/2 + \epsilon/2 = \epsilon$ .  $\square$

**Exercise :** 4.3.3

(a) Prove theorem 4.3.9.

*Proof.* Suppose  $f : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $g : B \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Suppose  $g(f(x))$  is defined for all  $x \in A$ . Suppose  $f$  is continuous at  $c$  and  $g$  is continuous at  $f(c)$ . Choose  $\epsilon > 0$ . There must exist a  $\delta_1 > 0$  such that for all  $|y - f(c)| < \delta_1$ ,  $|g(y) - g(f(c))| < \epsilon$ . There must exist a  $\delta_2 > 0$  such that for all  $|x - c| < \delta_2$ ,  $|f(x) - f(c)| < \delta_1$ . Choose  $|x - c| < \delta_2$ . Note that  $|f(x) - f(c)| < \delta_1$ , and thus  $|g(f(x)) - g(f(c))| < \epsilon$ .  $\square$

(b) prove again using sequential characterization.

*Proof.* Suppose  $f : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $g : B \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Suppose  $g(f(x))$  is defined for all  $x \in A$ . Suppose  $f$  is continuous at  $c$  and  $g$  is continuous at  $f(c)$ . Choose  $a_n \rightarrow c$  where  $a_n \in A$ . Note that  $b_n = f(a_n) \in B$  and since  $f(x)$  is continuous at  $x = c$ ,  $b_n \rightarrow f(c)$ . Note that  $h_n = g(b_n) = g(f(a_n))$ , since  $g(y)$  is continuous at  $y = f(c)$ ,  $h_n \rightarrow g(f(c))$ .  $\square$

**Exercise :** 4.3.5

Prove that if  $c$  is a isolated point of  $A$  then  $f : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous at  $c$ .

*Proof.* Suppose  $c$  is a isolated point of  $A$  and  $f : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Choose  $\epsilon > 0$ . Since  $c$  is a isolated point of  $A$  there exists a  $\delta$  such that  $v_\delta(c) \cap A = \{c\}$ . Choose  $x \in A$ ,  $|x - c| < \delta$ . Note that there is only one  $x$  with this property, thus  $x = c$ . Note that  $|f(x) - f(c)| = 0 < \epsilon$ .  $\square$

**Exercise :** 4.3.9

If  $h : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $h$  is continuous for all  $\mathbb{R}$  then  $\{x : h(x) = 0\}$  is a closed set.

*Proof.* Suppose  $h : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $h$  is continuous for all  $\mathbb{R}$ . Suppose  $\{x : h(x) = 0\}$  is not a closed set. Since  $H = \{x : h(x) = 0\}$  is not a closed set there must be a limit point  $l$  of  $H$  where  $l \notin H$ . Consider the set  $a_n$  where  $a_1 \in v_1(l) \cap H - \{l\}$ , note that  $v_\epsilon(l) \cap H - \{l\} \neq \emptyset$  for any  $\epsilon > 0$ . And  $a_n \in v_{|a_{n-1}-l|/2}(l) \cap H - \{l\}$ . Note that  $-1/2^{n-1} + l \leq a_n \leq 1/2^{n-1} + l$  by construction and thus  $a_n \rightarrow l$  by the squeeze therm. Define  $h_n = h(a_n)$ . Note that  $a_n \in H$  thus  $h_n = 0$ . Since  $h(x)$  is continuous and  $a_n \rightarrow l$  and  $h_n \rightarrow 0$  we can say that  $h(l) = 0$ . Therefore  $l \in H$ , a contradiction.  $\square$

**Exercise :** 10

- a) Show that a continuous function on all of  $\mathbb{R}$  that equals zero on the rational numbers must be the zero function.

*Proof.* Suppose  $H$  is closed set where  $\mathbb{Q} \subseteq H \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ . Choose  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ . Choose  $\epsilon > 0$ . Note that there exist a rational  $q$  such that  $a < q < a + \epsilon$ , by the density of the rationals. Note that  $q \in H - \{a\}$  and that  $q \in v_\epsilon(a)$ , therefore  $a$  is a limit point of  $H$  and since  $H$  is closed  $a \in H$  thus  $\mathbb{R} \subseteq H$  and so  $H = \mathbb{R}$ .

Suppose  $h : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  that equals zero on the rational numbers and  $h$  is continuous for all  $\mathbb{R}$ . From the previous proof  $H = \{x : h(x) = 0\}$  is a closed set. Note that  $H$  is closed set where  $\mathbb{Q} \subseteq H \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ . Conclude  $H = \mathbb{R}$ ,  $h(x) = 0$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .  $\square$

- b) Suppose  $f$  and  $g$  are two continuous functions on the real numbers. Is it true that if  $f(q) = g(q)$  for all  $q \in \mathbb{Q}$ , then  $f$  and  $g$  are the same function?  
Yes.

*Proof.* Suppose  $f$  and  $g$  are two continuous functions on the real numbers where  $f(q) = g(q)$  for all  $q \in \mathbb{Q}$ . Suppose  $F = f(l) \neq g(l) = G$  for some  $l \in \mathbb{R}$ . Define  $\epsilon = |F - G|/2 > 0$ . There must exist a  $\delta_1$  such that for all  $|x - l| < \delta_1$ ,  $|f(x) - F| < \epsilon$ . There must exist a  $\delta_2$  such that for all  $|x - l| < \delta_2$ ,  $|g(x) - G| < \epsilon$ . Define  $\delta = \min(\delta_1, \delta_2)$ . Note that there exists a rational  $q$  such that  $l - \delta < q < l + \delta$ . Note that  $|g(q) - G| < \epsilon$  and that  $|f(q) - F| < \epsilon$ , also note that  $f(q) = g(q)$ . Note that  $2\epsilon = |F - G| = |g(q) - G + F - f(q)| \leq |g(q) - G| + |F - f(q)| < 2\epsilon$ , a contradiction we conclude the negation of our supposition, that  $f(l) = g(l)$  for all  $l \in \mathbb{R}$ .  $\square$

**Exercise :** 4.2.9

For infinite limits we replace the arbitrarily small  $\epsilon > 0$  with the arbitrarily large  $M > 0$ .

**(W) (Hand this one in to David.)**

- (a) Prove  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} 1/x^2 = \infty$

*Proof.* Choose  $M > 0$ . Noting that  $\sqrt{M} > 0$  there must exist a  $\delta$  such that  $1/\delta < \sqrt{M}$ . Choose  $x$  such that  $0 < |x| < \delta$ . This means that  $0 < x^2 < \delta^2 < 1/M$ , so  $1/x^2 > M$ .  $\square$

- (b) I would define  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = L$  as for any  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists a  $M$  such that if  $x > M$ ,  $|f(x) - L| < \epsilon$ .

Show that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} 1/x = 0$ .

*Proof.* Choose  $\epsilon > 0$ . There must exist a  $M > 0$  such that  $1/M < \epsilon$ . Choose  $x > M$ . Note that  $x > M > 0$  means that  $|1/x| = 1/x < 1/M < \epsilon$ .  $\square$

- (c) Define  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \infty$  as for any  $K > 0$  there exists a  $M$  such that if  $x > M$ ,  $f(x) > K$ .

As a example  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x = \infty$ .