

Do questions 1 through 7 and pick three of the remaining (lettered) questions for grading (check boxes of the lettered problems you want graded or I roll dice). Each problem is worth 10 points. Show good justification for full credit. Don't panic.

1. State the definition of a sequence $\{a_n\}$ converging to a limit A .

$\{a_n\}$ converges to limit A iff
 $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists n^* \in \mathbb{N}$ such that
 $|a_n - A| < \epsilon$ for all $n \geq n^*$

Good

2. State the definition of s_0 being an accumulation point of a set S .

A point s_0 is an accumulation point of S iff
 $\forall \epsilon > 0$, there exists an $s \in S$ such that $0 < |s - s_0| < \epsilon$

Good

3. Show that the limit of a function as x approaches a , if it exists, is unique.

Well, assume f has a limit as x approaches a and that a is an accumulation point on D where D is the domain of f . Let $\epsilon > 0$ be given.

Assume f has limits A and B so that

$$\exists \delta_a \Rightarrow 0 < |x-a| < \delta_a \text{ and } x \in D \Rightarrow |f(x)-A| < \epsilon/2.$$

$$\exists \delta_b \Rightarrow 0 < |x-a| < \delta_b \text{ and } x \in D \Rightarrow |f(x)-B| < \epsilon/2.$$

Then, let $\delta = \min\{\delta_a, \delta_b\}$. Then for

$0 < |x-a| < \delta$ and $x \in D$ we have that

$|f(x)-A| + |f(x)-B| < \epsilon/2 + \epsilon/2 = \epsilon$ and by the triangle inequality we know ~~$|f(x)-A| + |f(x)-B|$~~ that

$|f(x)-A + f(x)-B| \leq |f(x)-A| + |f(x)-B|$ and by the transitive property $|f(x)-f(x) + (B-A)| < \epsilon$.

We can simplify that to $|B-A| < \epsilon$. However,

by previous proof we now know that

$A=B$ and therefore if the limit exists it must be unique. \square

Nice Job!

4. Suppose that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = +\infty$. Show that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{a_n} = 0$.

Well, let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given. Then let $M = \frac{1}{\varepsilon}$. So

$\exists n^* \in \mathbb{N} \ni n > n^* \Rightarrow a_n > M$ by defⁿ. Then
for $n > n^*$,

$$a_n > M$$

$$a_n > \frac{1}{\varepsilon}$$

$$\varepsilon > \frac{1}{a_n}$$

which we can do because

$a_n + \varepsilon$ are positive.

$$\frac{1}{a_n} - 0 < \varepsilon$$

$$\left| \frac{1}{a_n} - 0 \right| < \varepsilon$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{1}{a_n} = 0$$

Excellent

5. If $\{a_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence and $S = \{a_n | n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is finite, then $\{a_n\}$ is constant from some point on.

Well, because S is finite, the pairs of distinct terms of S must also be finite.

Let $\delta = \min \{ |a_n - a_m| \mid a_n, a_m \in S, a_n \neq a_m \}$

so that δ is the least distance between distinct elements of S . Then set

$0 < \varepsilon < \delta$. Well because $\{a_n\}$ is Cauchy,

then $\exists n^* \in \mathbb{N} \ni n, m > n^* \Rightarrow |a_n - a_m| < \varepsilon$.

But there are no distinct a_n and a_m within ε of each other so $a_n = a_m$, and thus

$\{a_n\}$ is constant from after n^* .

Excellent

6. State and prove the Bolzano-Weierstrass Theorem for Sets.

Any infinite bounded subset of \mathbb{R} has at least one accumulation point.

Proof: Let S be an infinite bounded subset of \mathbb{R} . Then $\exists a, b$, are upper and lower bounds on S . Then $S \subseteq [a, b]$ so $[a, b]$ contains infinitely many elements of S . Let $c_1 = \frac{a_1 + b_1}{2}$. Then either $[a_1, c_1]$ or $[c_1, b_1]$ contains infinitely many elements of S . Pick that one and call it $[a_2, b_2]$. Repeat so on the n^{th} iteration, $c_n = \frac{a_n + b_n}{2}$.

Then, $a_1 \leq a_2 \leq \dots \leq a_n \leq c_n \leq b_n \leq \dots \leq b_2 \leq b_1$,

so $\{a_n\}$ is an increasing and bounded sequence so $\exists A \in \mathbb{R}$,

$\{a_n\} \rightarrow A$ by MCT. Also, $\{b_n\}$ is decreasing and bounded so

$\exists B \in \mathbb{R}$, $\{b_n\} \rightarrow B$ by MCT. Well, $0 \leq b_n - a_n = \frac{b_n - a_n}{2^{n-1}} \rightarrow 0$

so we know $A=B$. Now we want to show A is an accumulation point of S . Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given. Then for sufficiently large values of n ,

$A - \varepsilon < a_n \leq b_n < A + \varepsilon$, so because $[a_n, b_n]$ contains infinitely many points of S , then $(A - \varepsilon, A + \varepsilon)$ must also, so there is at least one element of S that isn't A in $(A - \varepsilon, A + \varepsilon)$, so A is an accumulation point of S .

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Lovely!

7. Show that if $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = A$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} g(x) = B$, then $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f \cdot g(x) = AB$

Let $\epsilon > 0$.

Since g converges, $\exists x^* \in \mathbb{R}$ s.t. $x \geq x^* \rightarrow |g(x)| < G$, for some $G \in \mathbb{R}^+$.

Since f converges, $\exists M_f \in \mathbb{R}$ s.t. $x \geq M_f \rightarrow |f(x) - A| < \frac{\epsilon}{2G}$

Since g converges, $\exists M_g \in \mathbb{R}$ s.t. $x \geq M_g \rightarrow |g(x) - B| < \frac{\epsilon}{2|A|+1}$

Let $M = \max(x^*, M_f, M_g)$ and $x \geq M$.

Consider

$$|f(x)g(x) - AB| = |f(x)g(x) - g(x)A + g(x)A - AB|$$

$$\leq |g(x)||f(x) - A| + |A||g(x) - B|$$

$$< G \frac{\epsilon}{2G} + |A| \frac{\epsilon}{2|A|+1}$$

$$< \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

$$|f(x)g(x) - AB| < \epsilon$$

Nice
Job!

Thus, $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (f \cdot g)(x) = A \cdot B \quad \square$

- ▣ B. Give an example of a sequence that does not converge, but which has a subsequence which converges.

$$a_n = (-1)^n$$

a_{2n} converges to 1 Great
but a_n oscillates

- ▣ C. Show, directly from the definition, that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} x^2 = 9$.

Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given

define $\delta = \min\left\{\frac{\varepsilon}{7}, 1\right\}$

so we have

$$0 < |x - 3| < \delta = \frac{\varepsilon}{7}$$

$$\Rightarrow 7|x - 3| < \varepsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow |x + 3||x - 3| < \varepsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow |(x + 3)(x - 3)| < \varepsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow |x^2 - 9| < \varepsilon \quad \text{as desired} \quad \square$$

We want:

$$|x^2 - 9| < \varepsilon$$

$$|(x - 3)(x + 3)| < \varepsilon$$

$$|x - 3| \cdot 7 < \varepsilon$$

$$|x - 3| < \frac{\varepsilon}{7}$$

Great

□ D. (a) Prove or give a counterexample: If f is an odd function, then $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = 0$.

CE:

Let $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ s.t. for $x \in \mathbb{R}$

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -1 & \text{if } x < 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } x > 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \end{cases}$$

then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) \neq \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) \Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) \text{ DNE}$$

(b) Prove or give a counterexample: If f is an odd function with domain \mathbb{R} , then $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = f(0)$.

No, same CE as above.

Excellent

- ✓ E. (a) Give an example of a sequence which is increasing and convergent.

$$\left\{ \frac{-1}{n} \right\}$$

as $n \rightarrow \infty$

$\frac{-1}{n} \rightarrow 0$ and it
is increasing

- (b) Give an example of a sequence which is increasing but not convergent.

$$\{n\}$$

diverges to $+\infty$

- (c) Give an example of a sequence which is bounded but not convergent.

$$\{(-1)^n\}$$

stuck b/w 1 & -1

but doesn't converge.

Great

□ F. Let s_0 be an accumulation point of S . Show that any neighborhood of s_0 contains infinitely many points of S .

Well, suppose there's a neighborhood of s_0 that contains finitely many points of S . Then there is an element of S closest to s_0 , say t . Then let $\varepsilon = \left| \frac{t-s_0}{2} \right|$. Well then

$\exists \varepsilon > 0 \ni \forall t \in S, 0 < |t-s_0| < \varepsilon$, so the s_0 isn't an accumulation point of S . Thus a contradiction, and then any neighborhood of s_0 must contain infinitely many points of S .

Excellent!