

MATH 2202, Assignment No. 4
November 27, 2009

The assignment is due Friday, December 4, 2009 in class. Late assignments receive a mark zero.

1. a) Show that $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} \frac{x-5}{2x+3} = -6$, by using the definition of a limit. [6]
b) Show that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{1}{3-x}$ does not exist, by showing that $f(x) = \frac{1}{3-x}$ is not bounded in any delta neighbourhood of 3. [5]
2. a) Define $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $g(x) = 2x$ for x rational and $g(x) = x-4$ for x irrational. Find all the points at which g is continuous. Prove all of your statements. [7]
b) Let $f: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be nonnegative on A , and let f be continuous at c . Prove by using the definition of limit that then $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \sqrt{f(x)} = \sqrt{\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)}$, and so the function \sqrt{f} is also continuous at c . [7]
3. a) Let $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be continuous at c and let $f(c) > 0$. Show that there exists a neighbourhood $V_\delta(c)$ of c such that for any x in $V_\delta(c)$ we have that $f(x) > 0$. [7]
b) Let $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be continuous on \mathbb{R} and such that $f(m/2^n) = 0$ for all m in \mathbb{Z} and all n in \mathbb{N} . Show that $f(x) = 0$, for all x in \mathbb{R} . (Hint: show first that $\forall x > 0, \forall \epsilon > 0$ there exist n, m in \mathbb{N} such that $\left| x - \frac{m}{2^n} \right| < \epsilon$.) [7]
c) Let $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be continuous on \mathbb{R} and let $S = \{x \text{ in } \mathbb{R} : f(x) = 0\}$. If (x_n) is contained in S and $x = \lim (x_n)$, show that x is also in S . [3]
4. a) Give an example of functions f and g that are both discontinuous at a point c in \mathbb{R} but such that both $f+g$ and fg is continuous at c . [3]
b) Give an example of a function f that is discontinuous at every point of \mathbb{R} , but such that $|f|$ is continuous on \mathbb{R} . [2]
c) Show that if f and g are such that f is continuous at c , g is discontinuous at c and fg is continuous at c , then f must be zero at c . [4]
5. Determine all of the points of continuity of $f(x) = \frac{3x^2 + \sin \frac{1}{x}}{1 - \sqrt{5 - |x+3|}}$. Prove your statements by using (and stating) at each step the relevant theorems on combinations of continuous functions. [5]

Total [56/54]