

Homework 5  
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1. Compute the limits and prove that the limits are correct using the limit theorems. Clearly state which theorem you are using.

(a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{25x^2 + 2}{75x^7 - 2}$

(b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{|x|}{x}$

(c)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{x^2 - a^2}{x^2 + 2ax + a^2}$

(d)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x+t)^2 - t^2}{x}$

2. Prove that the function  $f(x) = |x|$  is continuous at 0.
3. Suppose  $f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  satisfies  $0 \leq f(x) \leq x$  for all  $x$  in the domain of  $f$ . Show that  $f$  is continuous at 0.
4. Suppose  $f(x) = \sin(1/x)$  for  $x \neq 0$ . Prove that no matter how you define  $f(0)$ ,  $f$  cannot be continuous at 0. On the other hand, if  $g(x) = x \sin(1/x)$  for  $x \neq 0$ , then prove that you can define  $g(0)$  in a way that makes  $g$  continuous at 0. What is  $g(0)$  in this case?
5. Prove that  $\sin x$  and  $\cos x$  are continuous everywhere. (Hints are given in Problem 26 of Section 3.6).
6. For the functions  $f$  and  $g$  below, determine the domain and region of continuity of both  $u = f \circ g$  and  $v = g \circ f$ . Unless otherwise specified, the domains of  $f$  and  $g$  are to be considered as  $\mathbb{R}$ .

(a)  $f(x) = \sin x,$   
 $g(x) = \cos x$

(b)  $f(x) = x^2 - 2x,$   
 $g(x) = x + 1$

(c)  $f(x) = x^2,$   
 $g(x) = \sqrt{x}, \quad x \geq 0$

(d)  $f(x) = x^2,$   
 $g(x) = \sqrt{-x}, \quad x \leq 0$

(e)  $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & |x| \leq 1, \\ 0, & |x| > 1, \end{cases}$

$g(x) = \begin{cases} 2 - x^2, & |x| \leq 2, \\ 2, & |x| > 2. \end{cases}$

(f)  $f(x) = |x|,$

$g(x) = \begin{cases} x, & x < 0, \\ x^2, & x \geq 0. \end{cases}$

7. Let  $p(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n c_k x^k$  be a polynomial of degree  $n$  such that  $c_0 c_n < 0$ . Prove that  $p(x)$  has at least one positive **root**, i.e.  $\exists t > 0$  so that  $p(t) = 0$ .
8. If  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow [a, b]$  is a continuous function, prove that  $f$  has a fixed point in  $[a, b]$ .
9. Let  $f(x) = \tan x$  be defined on  $\left[\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{3\pi}{4}\right]$ . Recall that  $f\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = 1$  and  $f\left(\frac{3\pi}{4}\right) = -1$ . By Bolzano's theorem, there should be a point  $x \in \left[\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{3\pi}{4}\right]$  such that  $f(x) = 0$ . Find  $x$ .
10. Prove that there is some real number  $x$  so that  $\sin x = x - 1$ .