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1. Suppose $f : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and c is a limit point of A . Suppose $f(x) \geq 0$ for all $x \in X$ and that $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)$ exists. Show that the limit is non-negative. Provide two proofs, one $\epsilon - \delta$ style, and the other using the sequential characterization of limits.
2. Let a_n be a sequence of numbers such that for some $M \in \mathbb{R}$, $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n M^n$ converges. Suppose that $|x| < M$. Show that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n x^n$ converges absolutely. Give an example to show that divergence is possible if $|x| = |M|$. Hint: $(a_n M^n)$ converges to zero, and is hence bounded.
3. Suppose $f : (0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is uniformly continuous. Show that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$ exists.
4. Abbott 4.3.11
5. Suppose that $f : (0, 1) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous and that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = \infty$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x) = \infty$. Show that f obtains a minimum on $(0, 1)$.
6. Show that if $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is strictly increasing and continuous, then it has a continuous inverse function $f^{-1} : [f(a), f(b)] \rightarrow [a, b]$. Use this result to show that $x^{1/n}$ is continuous for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$. You may use any homework problems you have done to help with this. But your proof must give a careful demonstration that the domain of f^{-1} is the whole interval $[f(a), f(b)]$, that the image is exactly $[a, b]$, and that f^{-1} is increasing.
7. Suppose $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous and that $f([0, 1]) \subseteq [0, 1]$. Prove that there is a solution of the equation $f(x) = x$.
8. Abbott 5.2.12

Hint: The hard part about this problem is showing that f^{-1} has a derivative at all. In my mind, the easiest approach is to use the sequential characterization of limits. That is, given $c \in [f(a), f(b)]$, let y_n be a sequence in the interval converging to c . Now see if you can compute

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f^{-1}(y_n) - f^{-1}(c)}{y_n - c}. \quad (1)$$

If you get the same answer L regardless of what sequence y_n you pick, then

$$\lim_{y \rightarrow c} \frac{f^{-1}(y) - f^{-1}(c)}{y - c} = L.$$

You will likely find it useful to rephrase the limit in (1) in terms of f rather than f^{-1} .

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