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 Math 3333 - Intermediate Analysis - David Blecher

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**Instructions.** Time = 1 hour. Show all working and reasoning; the points are almost all for logical, complete reasoning. You may quote without proofs results from the classnotes or text, except for the part you are asked to prove. [Approximate point values are given, total = 100 points plus 9 bonus points].

1. (a) Show that a convergent sequence is bounded. [12]
- (b) State the Bolzano-Weierstrass theorem for sequences. [4]
- (c) Prove that if  $s_n \rightarrow s$  then  $|s_n| \rightarrow |s|$ . [6]
- (d) Give the definition (involving  $\epsilon$ ) of a Cauchy sequence. [5]
- (e) State the Cauchy test. [4]

Solution: (a) Suppose  $s_n \xrightarrow{(1)} s$ , then by <sup>definition</sup> (1) with  $\epsilon = 1$  there exists  $N$  such that  $|s_n - s| < 1$  whenever  $n \geq N$ . Now  $|s_n| = |s_n - s + s| \leq |s_n - s| + |s| < 1 + |s|$  whenever  $n \geq N$ . Let  $M = \max\{|s_1|, |s_2|, \dots, |s_N|, 1 + |s|\}$ , then clearly  $|s_n| \leq M$  if either  $n < N$  or  $n \geq N$ .

(b) Every bounded sequence has a convergent subsequence.

(c) Method 1:  $|s_n - s| \rightarrow 0$  by 'Fact 2', so  $||s_n| - |s|| \leq |s_n - s| \rightarrow 0$ . By 'Fact 6',  $|s_n| \rightarrow |s|$ .

Method 2: The function  $f(x) = |x|$  is continuous, so by the 'main theorem for continuity':  $f(s_n) \rightarrow f(s)$ .

(d) That given any  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists N$  such that  $|s_n - s_m| < \epsilon$  whenever  $m \geq n \geq N$ .

(e) A sequence is convergent iff it is a Cauchy sequence.

2. Prove that  $\lim_n \frac{\sin(n)}{2n+1} = 0$ . [5]

Solution:  $\left| \frac{\sin(n)}{2n+1} \right| \leq \frac{1}{2n} \rightarrow 0$ . Therefore by 'Fact 6',  $\lim_n \frac{\sin(n)}{2n+1} = 0$ .

3. Complete the sentence: A set  $S$  is closed iff for every sequence  $(s_n)$  in  $S$ , if  $(s_n)$  converges then \_\_\_\_\_ [3]

Solution: ... its limit is in  $S$  too.

4. Using the  $\epsilon$ - $\delta$  definition, show that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{2x^2+3x+3}{x+1} = 4$ . [17]

Solution:  $\frac{2x^2+3x+3}{x+1} - 4 = \frac{2x^2+3x+3 - 4(x+1)}{x+1} = \frac{2x^2+3x+3 - 4x - 4}{x+1} = \frac{2x^2 - x - 1}{x+1} = \frac{(2x+1)(x-1)}{x+1}$ . Thus if  $|x-1| < 1$  then  $0 < x < 2$  and so  $x+1 > 1$ . Also,  $0 < 2x < 4$  and so  $1 \leq 2x+1 \leq 5$ . Therefore

$$\left| \frac{2x^2+3x+3}{x+1} - 4 \right| = \frac{|2x+1||x-1|}{|x+1|} < 5|x-1|.$$

Given  $\epsilon > 0$  choose  $\delta = \min\{1, \epsilon/5\}$ . Then  $0 < |x-1| < \delta$  implies that  $\left| \frac{2x^2+3x+3}{x+1} - 4 \right| < 5|x-1| < 5\delta \leq \epsilon$ .

Alternatively:  $\frac{2x^2+3x+3}{x+1} = \frac{2(x-1)+3}{x+1} = \frac{2(x-1)+3}{2-x-1} = \frac{(2x-1)+3}{2-x-1} = \frac{(2x+3)-1}{2-x-1} = \frac{(2x+3)\delta}{2-x-1} < \frac{(2\delta+3)\delta}{2-\delta} < \frac{5\delta}{1}$  if  $\delta < 1$

5. Suppose that  $f : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $g : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $L \in \mathbb{R}$ , and  $a < c < b$ .

- (a) Define what it means for  $f$  to be continuous at  $c$  (in terms of  $\epsilon$ - $\delta$ ). [5]  
 (b) Prove that if  $f$  is continuous at  $c$  then  $f(s_n) \rightarrow f(c)$  for every sequence  $(s_n)$  converging to  $c$ . [7]  
 (c) Prove that if  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  are continuous at  $c$ , then  $f(x) + g(x)$  is continuous at  $c$ . [8]  
 (d) Prove that if  $f(x)$  is continuous at  $c$ , and  $f(c) > 0$ , then there is a neighborhood  $U$  of  $c$  such that  $f(x) > f(c)/2$  for all  $x \in U$ . [8]

Soln. (a) For every  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists a  $\delta > 0$  such that  $|f(x) - f(c)| < \epsilon$  whenever  $|x - c| < \delta$ . [5]

(b) Given  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists a  $\delta > 0$  such that  $|f(x) - f(c)| < \epsilon$  whenever  $|x - c| < \delta$ . Since  $s_n \rightarrow c$  there exists  $N$  such that  $|s_n - c| < \delta$  if  $n \geq N$ . Thus if  $n \geq N$  then  $|f(s_n) - f(c)| < \epsilon$ . That is,  $f(s_n) \rightarrow f(c)$ . [7]

(c) If  $s_n \rightarrow c$ , then  $f(s_n) \rightarrow f(c)$  and  $g(s_n) \rightarrow g(c)$  (by (b)). By Fact 9 for sequences,  $f(s_n) + g(s_n) \rightarrow f(c) + g(c)$ . By the converse of (b) (Main Theorem # 2),  $f(x) + g(x)$  is continuous at  $c$ . [8]

(d) Let  $\epsilon = f(c)/2$ , then by definition, there is a  $\delta > 0$  such that  $|f(x) - f(c)| < \epsilon = L/2$  when  $|x - c| < \delta$ . Now  $|f(x) - L| < \epsilon = L/2$  implies that  $f(x) > L - L/2 = L/2$ . Thus on the neighborhood  $U = N(c, \delta)$  we have  $f(x) > L/2$ . [8]

6. (a) Complete the sentence: A nonempty set  $S$  is compact iff every sequence in  $S$  has a subsequence that converges to a number in  $S$ . [4]  
 (b) State and prove the Min-Max/Extreme Value Theorem. Your proof should contain the proof about  $\text{Range}(f)$  being compact. [21]

Soln. (a) ... subsequence that converges to a number in  $S$ . [4]

(b) The 'min-max theorem' states that if  $C$  is a compact set and if  $f : C \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous, then there exist  $x_1, x_2 \in C$  such that  $f(x_1) \leq f(x) \leq f(x_2)$  for all  $x \in C$ . [4]

We first use the criterion in (a) to show that  $f(C)$  is compact. So let  $(y_n)$  be a sequence in  $f(C)$ . If  $y_n = f(x_n)$  then  $(x_n)$  is a sequence in  $C$ , so by (a), there is a convergent subsequence  $x_{n_k} \rightarrow x \in C$ . By the Main Theorem # 2,  $y_{n_k} = f(x_{n_k}) \rightarrow f(x)$ , and  $f(x) \in f(C)$ . So by the criterion in (a),  $f(C)$  is compact. [21]

Any compact set in  $\mathbb{R}$  has a minimum and a maximum element, by another theorem from class. Thus there exist  $x_1, x_2 \in C$  such that  $f(x_1) \leq f(x) \leq f(x_2)$  for all  $x \in C$ . [21]

(In class we also said in the Min-Max Theorem that  $f(C)$  was compact.)