

Mathematics 1300 3.0 AF
Solutions to Test 1

1. Solution: (i) Let $x \rightarrow 0$ along the numbers $\frac{1}{(n+\frac{1}{2})\pi}$. Then

$$\sin \frac{1}{x} = \sin \left(n + \frac{1}{2} \right) \pi = \sin n\pi \cos \frac{\pi}{2} + \cos n\pi \sin \frac{\pi}{2} = (-1)^n.$$

So, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \sin \frac{1}{x}$ does not exist.

Solution: (ii) Since

$$-x^2 \leq x^2 \sin \frac{1}{x} \leq x^2$$

and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^2 = 0$, it follows from the squeeze theorem that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^2 \sin \frac{1}{x} = 0.$$

2. Solution: $|\sqrt{x-1}| < \varepsilon$ if $0 < x-1 < \varepsilon^2$ or if $1 < x < 1 + \varepsilon^2$. So, let δ be any positive number $\leq \varepsilon^2$. Then

$$1 < x < 1 + \delta \Rightarrow |f(x)| = \sqrt{x-1} < \sqrt{\delta} \leq \varepsilon.$$

3. Solution: Let $f(x) = \cos x - x$. Then $f(0) = 1$ and $f\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = -\frac{\pi}{2}$. Therefore 0 is between $f(0)$ and $f\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)$. By the Intermediate Value Theorem, there exists a number c in $\left(0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$ such that

$$f(c) = 0.$$

Therefore

$$\cos c = c.$$

4. Solution:

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{x+h-1} - \sqrt{x-1}}{h} \frac{\sqrt{x+h-1} + \sqrt{x-1}}{\sqrt{x+h-1} + \sqrt{x-1}} \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x+h-1) - (x-1)}{h(\sqrt{x+h-1} + \sqrt{x-1})} \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+h-1} + \sqrt{x-1}} \\
&= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x-1}}.
\end{aligned}$$

The domain of f is $[1, \infty)$ and the domain of f' is $(1, \infty)$.