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- **Organize your work** in a reasonably neat and coherent way, in the space provided. Work scattered all over the page without a clear ordering will receive very little credit.

- **Mysterious or unsupported answers will not receive full credit.** A correct answer, unsupported by calculations, explanation, or algebraic work, will receive no credit; an incorrect answer supported by substantially correct calculations and explanations might still receive partial credit.

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1. (10 points) A function $f : B \to C$ is said to be a monomorphism if whenever $g_1, g_2 : A \to B$ are a pair of functions such that $f \circ g_1 = f \circ g_2$, then $g_1 = g_2$. Show that $f$ is a monomorphism if and only if $f$ is injective.

**Solution:** Suppose that $f$ is a monomorphism, and that $b_1, b_2 \in B$ satisfy $f(b_1) = f(b_2)$. Let $g_1 : B \to B$ be the constant function $g_1(x) = b_1$ for all $x \in B$, and similarly $g_2 : B \to B$ is such that $g_2(x) = b_2$. Now $f(g_1(x)) = f(b_1) = f(b_2) = f(g_2(x))$ for all $x \in B$, so by assumption $g_1(x) = g_2(x)$ for all $x \in B$, which in turn shows that $b_1 = b_2$.

Conversely, suppose that $f$ is injective. By a result from class we know that $f$ is left invertible, so choose one such inverse $h : C \to B$ such that $h \circ f = \text{id}_B$. Let $g_1, g_2 : A \to B$ be any to functions such that $f \circ g_1 = f \circ g_2$, and post-compose by $h$ to get

$$h \circ (f \circ g_1) = (h \circ f) \circ g_1 = \text{id}_B \circ g_1 = g_1 \quad \text{by assumption}$$

$$= (h \circ f) \circ g_2$$

$$= (h \circ f) \circ g_2 = \text{id}_B \circ g_2 = g_2.$$ 

This shows that $g_1 = g_2$, allowing us to conclude that $f$ is a monomorphism as required.
2. (10 points) A set $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ is said to be open if for every $s \in S$, there exists a positive real number $r$ such that the set $B(s, r) = \{y \in \mathbb{R} : |s - y| < r\}$ is contained within $S$; namely, $B(s, r) \subseteq S$. Show that the set $S = (0, 1)$ is open.

**Solution:** Fix some $x \in (0, 1)$. The radius we need to use is the smaller of the distances from either 0 or 1, so let $r = \min\{x, 1 - x\}$, both of which are positive by the assumption that $0 < x < 1$. We claim that $B(x, r) \subseteq S$. Indeed, let $y \in B(x, r)$ so that $|y - x| < r$ by assumption. Thus

$$|y| = |y - x + x| \leq |y - x| + |x| \leq r + x < (1 - x) + x = 1.$$ 

Hence $y \in (-1, 1)$. Moreover, we can write $|y - x| < r$ as $x - r < y < x + r$. Focusing on the first half of the inequality and using the fact that $r \leq x$ implies that $x - r \geq 0$, so $0 \leq x - r < y$ shows that $y > 0$. Both the inequalities combined shows that $y \in (0, 1)$. 


3. (10 points) Let \( D = \left\{ x \in \mathbb{Q} : x = \frac{m}{2^n}, m \in \mathbb{Z}, n \in \mathbb{N} \right\} \). Show that \( D \) is dense in \( \mathbb{R} \); namely, that every open interval \( (a, b) \) contains at least one element of \( D \). Hint: Choose \( n \) sufficiently large so that \( 1/2^n < b - a \), and argue that some point of the form \( m/2^n \) \((m \in \mathbb{Z})\) must live in \((a, b)\).

**Solution:** Fix an open interval \((a, b)\) for some \( a, b \in \mathbb{R} \) with \( a < b \). Per the suggestion, choose \( n \in \mathbb{N} \) sufficiently large so that \( 2^{-n} < b - a \). Define the set \( B = \{m/2^n : m \in \mathbb{Z}\} \), of which we claim that one of the elements in \( B \) is also in \((a, b)\). For the sake of contradiction, assume there is no such value in \( B \) which satisfies this definition. Let \( M \) be the largest such integer satisfying \( M/2^n < a \), so that \((M + 1)/2^n > b \). But then

\[
b - a < \frac{M + 1}{2^n} - \frac{M}{2^n} = \frac{1}{2^n} < b - a
\]

a contradiction, thus some element of \( B \) must live in \((a, b)\).
4. (10 points) Suppose \( f : (-1, 1) \to \mathbb{R} \). Using the \( \epsilon-\delta \) definition of the limit, show that

\[
\lim_{x \to 0} f(x) = 0 \quad \text{if and only if} \quad \lim_{x \to 0} |f(x)| = 0.
\]

Note: This can be done directly. If you wish to employ a theorem from class to do this, you must first prove that theorem.

Solution: The crux of this entire result hinges upon the fact that \( ||x|| = |x| \). Indeed, we know that \( |x| \geq 0 \) for all \( x \), and that \( |x| = x \) if \( x \geq 0 \), so \( ||x|| = |x| \). We'll use this result freely in the following arguments.

Suppose that \( \lim_{x \to 0} f(x) = 0 \), for which we want to show that the absolute value similarly goes to 0. Let \( \epsilon > 0 \) be given, and choose a \( \delta > 0 \) such that \( |f(x) - 0| = |f(x)| < \epsilon \) whenever \( 0 < |x - 0| = |x| < \delta \). We claim this same \( \delta \) works for the absolute value of \( f \). Indeed, if \( 0 < |x| < \delta \), then

\[
||f(x)| - 0| = ||f(x)|| = |f(x)| < \epsilon.
\]

The converse direction is almost identical. Suppose \( |f(x)| \xrightarrow{x \to 0} 0 \). Let \( \epsilon > 0 \) be given and choose \( \delta > 0 \) such that \( ||f(x)| - 0| = |f(x)| < \epsilon \). Clearly setting \( \delta = \epsilon \) will ensure the desired inequality.
5. (10 points) Suppose \( f, g : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R} \) satisfy
\[
\lim_{x \to c} f(x) = L \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{x \to c} g(x) = M
\]
for some \( c, L, M \in \mathbb{R} \). Using the \( \epsilon \)-\( \delta \) definition of the limit, show that
\[
\lim_{x \to c} [2f(x) - 3g(x)] = 2L - 3M.
\]

Note: This can be done directly. If you wish to employ a theorem from class to do this, you must first prove that theorem.

**Solution:** Let \( \epsilon > 0 \) be given, and fix \( \delta_f, \delta_g > 0 \) such that
\[
0 < |x - c| < \delta_f \quad \Rightarrow \quad |f(x) - L| < \frac{\epsilon}{4}
\]
\[
0 < |x - c| < \delta_g \quad \Rightarrow \quad |g(x) - M| < \frac{\epsilon}{6}.
\]
Let \( \delta = \min \{\delta_f, \delta_g\} \) and suppose that \( 0 < |x - c| < \delta \), so that both inequalities above will be true. Thus
\[
|2f(x) - 3g(x) - (2L - 3M)| = |2(f(x) - L) - 3(g(x) - M)| \leq 2|f(x) - L| + 3|g(x) - M|
\]
\[
< 2\frac{\epsilon}{4} + 3\frac{\epsilon}{6} = \epsilon,
\]
as required.
6. (i) (3 points) Suppose \( f : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R} \). Without using the word “not”, or any synonym of “not”, find the mathematical statement for \( \lim_{x \to c} f(x) \neq L \).

**Solution:** The definition of the limit is \( \forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0, \forall x, 0 < |x - c| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - L| < \epsilon \).

Negating gives
\[
\exists \epsilon > 0, \forall \delta > 0, \exists x, 0 < |x - c| < \delta \text{ and } |f(x) - L| \geq \epsilon.
\]

(ii) (7 points) Show that \( \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{x}{|x|} \neq 1 \).

**Solution:** Let \( \epsilon = 1 \), let \( \delta > 0 \) be arbitrarily given, and choose \( x = -\delta/2 \). Note that
\[
\left| \frac{x}{|x|} - 1 \right| = \left| \frac{-\delta/2}{-\delta/2} - 1 \right| = |1 - 1| = 2 > \epsilon
\]

showing that the limit cannot be 1, as required.