

**MA 182, Honors Mathematical Analysis II, Fall '05.**  
**Extra Homework Sheet # 2.**

1. Prove that, if  $a_n \geq b_n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , and  $b_n \rightarrow +\infty$  (as  $n \rightarrow +\infty$ ) then  $a_n \rightarrow +\infty$  (as  $n \rightarrow +\infty$ ).
2. Prove that any increasing unbounded (i.e., not bounded) sequence tends to  $+\infty$ .
3. For the following converging limits, find an  $\varepsilon$ - $\delta$  relationship (that is, for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  find a suitable  $\delta > 0$  that verifies the inequality as in the definition of limit).

(a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} 3x = 3.$

(b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^2 - 4}{x - 2} = 4.$

(c)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} [(x - 1)^2 - 2] = -1.$

(d) For  $f(x) := \begin{cases} 2 - x & \text{for } x < 0 \\ 1 & \text{for } x = 0 \\ -x^2 & \text{for } x > 0 \end{cases}$ ,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = 0.$

(e)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} (\sqrt{-x} + x) = 0.$

4. (Do this only if material was covered in class.) For the following diverging limits, find an  $R$ - $\delta$  relationship (that is, for every  $R \in \mathbb{R}$  find a suitable  $\delta > 0$  that verifies the inequality as in the definition of limit).

(a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \frac{1}{(x + 2)^2} = +\infty.$

(b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{1}{x^3 + x} = -\infty.$

(c)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{1}{x^3 - x} = +\infty.$

*[You may want to be careful here. This is a bit more difficult than the previous problem.]*