Quiz 9 Nov. 12, 1998

1. a) State the Boundedness Theorem for Continuous Functions.

b) Use a) to prove that if f is continuous on [a,b] then f has a maximum on [a,b]. (Hint: Let $M=\sup_{[a,b]}f,\ g(x)=M-f(x),$ and consider 1/g(x).)

2. Let f(x) be continuous on [a,b] and let $p \in (a,b)$. Prove that for any $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists a neighborhood of $p, N(p) \subset [a,b]$, such that the span of f on N(p) is $< \varepsilon$.

3. Suppose f(x) and g(x) are continuous functions on [a,b] satisfying $f(x_1) < g(x_2)$ for any $x_1, x_2 \in [a,b]$. Prove that there is a constant c such that f(x) < c < g(x) for all $x \in [a,b]$.