Math 3063	Calculus 1
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Write all solutions neatly, in complete sentences. The statement of the problem should always be copied onto a blank sheet of  $8\frac{1}{2} \times 11$  computer paper, followed by the solution. Staple this sheet to the front of your solutions.

**Definition 1.** Let P, Q, and R be points in a plane. We use the following notation

- |PQ| is the distance from P to Q.
- $\overline{PQ}$  is the line segment from P to Q.
- $\angle PQR$  is the angle between  $\overline{PQ}$  and  $\overline{QR}$ .
- $\triangle PQR$  is the triangle with vertices P, Q, and R.

**Problem 1.** Compute  $\cos 72^\circ$ , as follows.

- (a) Sketch the following diagram. Let  $\triangle ABC$  be an isosceles triangle with base  $\overline{AC}$  and  $\angle CAB = 72^{\circ}$ . Bisect  $\angle CAB$  and let D be the point of intersection of the bisecting ray and the line segment  $\overline{BC}$ .
- (b) Show that  $\triangle CAD$  is similar to  $\triangle ABC$ .
- (c) Assume |AB| = 1. Let x = |AC| and y = |CD|. Form two equations involving x and y.
- (d) Solve these equations for x.
- (e) Find  $\cos 72^{\circ}$ .

**Definition 2.** Let  $A \subset \mathbb{R}$ . We say that A is *globally discrete* if

there exists  $\epsilon > 0$  such that for every  $a \in A, (a - \epsilon, a + \epsilon) \cap A = \{a\}$ .

We say that A is *locally discrete* if

for every  $a \in A$  there exists  $\epsilon > 0$  such that  $(a - \epsilon, a + \epsilon) \cap A = \{a\}$ .

**Problem 2.** Discuss the difference between the definitions of globally discrete and locally discrete, including the following.

- (a) Explain why every globally discrete set is locally discrete.
- (b) Give two fundamentally different examples of globally discrete sets.
- (c) Give two fundamentally different examples of locally discrete sets which are not globally discrete.