

# Main Exercises Week 4

MATH 130: Calculus I, Section 4

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**Follow the general guidelines for the Main Exercises assignments (the salmon colored handout).** Be sure to **staple** together your pages if you have more than one, and include your **name** at the top. Neatness is appreciated, makes a good first impression, and can earn you a bonus point!!!

**Due:** at the beginning of class on Friday, February 10th

**Remember:** Your write-up should be **your own**. You may discuss these problems with others, but **you should be alone when you write them up**, using only outlines of any group or Intern discussions. **EXPLAIN and SHOW YOUR WORK!!!** Final answers will not receive full credit without supportive explanations.

1. The **ceiling function** is defined for any real number  $x$  as the smallest integer greater than or equal to  $x$ , and is denoted by  $\lceil x \rceil$ .

(a) Draw a graph of the ceiling function  $y = \lceil x \rceil$ , for  $-3 \leq x \leq 3$ .

(b) Evaluate the following limits: (i)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^-} \lceil x \rceil$ , (ii)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1.5} \lceil x \rceil$ , (iii)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \lceil x \rceil$ .

(c) Suppose  $a$  is an integer. State the values of (i)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} \lceil x \rceil$ , (ii)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} \lceil x \rceil$ .

(d) For what values of  $a$  in the real numbers does  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \lceil x \rceil$  exist? Explain using full sentences.

2. What is the value of  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -4} \left( \frac{x}{4} + 7 \right)$ ? Use the  $\epsilon$ - $\delta$  definition of a limit to prove your assertion. (Refer to the outline on the handout from class on February 6th. Remember that words are important!)