WRITING ASSIGNMENT CHECKLIST

MATH 171, SPRING 2008

Read your partner’s paper, and note on it in a contrasting colour anything you don’t understand or which needs correction. This could include either mathematical or typographical matters.

In addition, write a sentence or two giving feedback on each of the following (“Yes” is not sufficient feedback!) Make a copy of your comments - you should each hand in both the comments you make and those you receive with your draft on May 20.

(1) Is the assignment complete? Is there an introduction, a proof of the main theorem, and the required counterexamples? Note down anything which is missing.

(2) Is all the mathematics correct and understandable? Note down any mathematical mistakes (you may need to refer to your comments on the paper).

(3) Is it well written? Firstly, do the examples and introduction do their job? Which of these need the most work? What else would you add?

Secondly, is everything grammatically correct? Is the sentence structure and word choice varied? Is the choice of notation sensible and consistent? Does it sound ok when read out loud? (actually read a sample paragraph to check this!)

(4) Which part of the assignment would you suggest putting the most work into in the next week?