

MATH 1271 Spring 2013, Midterm #1  
Handout date: Thursday 21 February 2013

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SOLUTIONS  
VERSION C

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WHAT RECITATION SECTION ARE YOU IN?

Closed book, closed notes, no calculators/PDAs; no reference materials of any kind. Turn off all handheld devices, including cell phones.

Show work; a correct answer, by itself, may be insufficient for credit. Arithmetic need not be simplified, unless the problem requests it.

I understand the above, and I understand that cheating has severe consequences, from a failing grade to expulsion.

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I. Multiple choice

A. (5 pts) (no partial credit) Compute  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[ \frac{(3x^2 - 8x^4)(\cos x)}{4x(\sin x)} \right]$ . Circle one of the following answers:

(a)  $3/4$

(b)  $-2$

(c)  $0$

(d) This limit does not exist.

(e) NONE OF THE ABOVE

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ \end{array} \right\} x \rightarrow 0$$

$$\frac{(3x^2)(1)}{4x(x)} \stackrel{x \neq 0}{=} \frac{3}{4} \xrightarrow{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{3}{4}$$

B. (5 pts) (no partial credit) Compute  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \left[ \frac{x^3 + 2x^2 - 4x}{2x^4 - 7x^2} \right]$ . Circle one of the following answers:

(a)  $4/7$

(b)  $-4/7$

(c)  $0$

(d)  $\infty$

(e) NONE OF THE ABOVE

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ \end{array} \right\} x \rightarrow -\infty$$

$$\frac{x^3}{2x^4} = \frac{1}{2x} \xrightarrow{x \rightarrow -\infty} 0$$

C. (5 pts) (no partial credit) (no partial credit) A line passes through  $(5, 40)$  and  $(3, 80)$ . Find its slope. Circle one of the following answers:

(a)  $40$

(b)  $10$

(c)  $0$

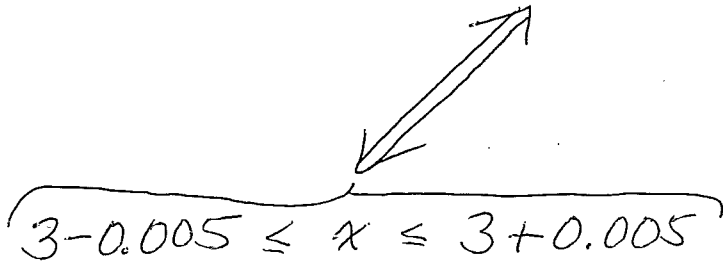
(d)  $-10$

(e) NONE OF THE ABOVE

$$\frac{80 - 40}{3 - 5} = \frac{40}{-2} = -20$$

D. (5 pts) (no partial credit) What is the largest number  $x$  such that  $|x - 3| \leq 0.005$ ?

- (a) 2.995
- (b) 3.005
- (c) 3
- (d) -2.995
- (e) NONE OF THE ABOVE

$$3 - 0.005 \leq x \leq 3 + 0.005$$


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E. (5 pts) (no partial credit) Which is the intuitive definition of  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} (h(x)) = 7$ ? Circle one of the following answers:

- (a) If  $x$  is close to 4, but not equal to 4, then  $h(x)$  is close to 7, but not equal to 7.
- (b) If  $h(x)$  is close to 4, then  $x$  is close to 7.
- (c) If  $x$  is close to 4, but not equal to 4, then  $h(x)$  is close to 7.
- (d) If  $h(x)$  is close to 7, but not equal to 7, then  $x$  is close to 4, but less than 4.
- (e) NONE OF THE ABOVE

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F. (5 pts) (no partial credit) Compute  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 4} \left[ \frac{t^2 - t - 12}{t - 4} \right]$ . Circle one of the following answers:

- (a) 7
- (b) 8
- (c) 9
- (d) 10
- (e) NONE OF THE ABOVE

$$t + 3 \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow 4} 7$$

II. True or false (no partial credit):

a. (5 pts) Let  $f$  be any algebraic function. If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = 1/3$ , then  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = 1/3$ .

*False*

b. (5 pts) Let  $f$  be any function. If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x)$  exists, then  $f$  is continuous at 3.

*False*

c. (5 pts) Let  $f(x) = |x|$ . Then  $f(x)$  is differentiable at  $x = 0$ .

*False*

d. (5 pts) Let  $f$  be the restriction of  $\sin$  to  $[-\pi/2, 0]$ . Then  $f$  is a one-to-one function.

*True*

e. (5 pts)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin^2 x}{x^2} = 1$ .

*True*

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I. A,B,C

I. D,E,F

II. a,b,c,d,e

III. 1

III. 2

III. 3

III. 4

III. Computations. Show work. Unless otherwise specified, answers must be exactly correct, but can be left in any form easily calculated on a standard calculator.

1. (10 pts) Find all horizontal asymptotes to

$$y = \frac{\sqrt[4]{x^4 + 2x + 5}}{7x - 3} =: f(x)$$

(NOTE: A horizontal asymptote is a line; your answers should be equations of lines, **NOT** numbers.)

$$f(x) \underset{x \rightarrow \pm\infty}{\sim} \frac{\sqrt[4]{x^4}}{7x} = \frac{|x|}{7x} = \frac{\pm x}{7x} \stackrel{x \neq 0}{=} \pm \frac{1}{7}$$

$\begin{array}{c} x \\ \downarrow \\ \pm\infty \end{array}$

$$\pm \frac{1}{7}$$

$y = -\frac{1}{7}$  and  $y = \frac{1}{7}$  are the horizontal asymptotes.

2. (15 pts) Compute  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{63}{n}\right)^n$ .

$$x = \frac{n}{63}$$

$$\parallel$$
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^{63x}$$

$\parallel$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left[\left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^x\right]^{63}$$

$\parallel$

$$\left[\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^x\right]^{63}$$

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$$e^{63}$$

3. (10 pts) Compute  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \left[ \frac{2x^2 + \cos^2 x}{5x^2 + 2} \right]$ .

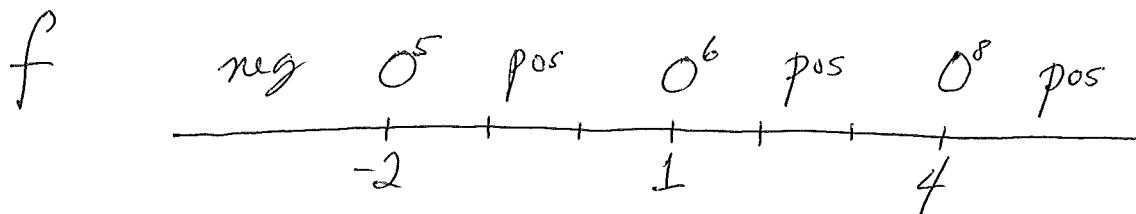
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f(x)

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} 1 \\ \vee \\ \cos^2 x \\ \vee \\ 0 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{2x^2+1}{5x^2+2} \xrightarrow{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{2x^2}{5x^2} \xrightarrow{x \neq 0} \frac{2}{5} \xrightarrow{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{2}{5} \\ \vee \\ f(x) \\ \vee \\ \frac{2x^2+0}{5x^2+2} \xrightarrow{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{2x^2}{5x^2} \xrightarrow{x \neq 0} \frac{2}{5} \xrightarrow{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{2}{5} \end{array} \right.$$

By the Squeeze Thm,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = \frac{2}{5}$$

4. (10 pts) Let  $f(x) = (x + 2)^5(x - 1)^6(x - 4)^8$ . Find all of the maximum intervals of positivity and negativity for  $f$ .



$f$  is negative on  $(-\infty, -2)$ ,

positive on  $(-2, 1)$ ,

positive on  $(1, 4)$ ,

and positive on  $(4, \infty)$ .