Math 273 Fall 2015

Calculus I

Midterm Exam 1

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Your name (please print):

Instructions: This is a closed book exam. You may not refer to the textbook, your notes or any other material, including a calculator. Answers do not need to be simplified, however you should **provide enough work to explain how you arrived at your answer**.

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1	30	
2	8	
3	15	
4	10	
5	6	
6	14	
7	6	
8	5	
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1. Evaluate the following limits: (If the limit is $\pm \infty$, say so, if it does not exist, write DNE)

a.
$$\lim_{x \to 5} \frac{\frac{2}{x} - \frac{2}{5}}{x - 5}$$
$$\lim_{x \to 5} \frac{\frac{2}{x} - \frac{2}{5}}{x - 5} = \lim_{x \to 5} \frac{\frac{10 - 2x}{5x}}{x - 5} = \lim_{x \to 5} \frac{-2}{5x} = -\frac{2}{25}$$

b.
$$\lim_{x \to -5} \frac{3x + 15}{|x + 5|}$$

 $\lim_{x \to -5} \frac{3x + 15}{|x + 5|} = 3 \lim_{x \to -5} \frac{x + 5}{|x + 5|}$ DNE

Because

$$\frac{x+5}{|x+5|} = \begin{cases} 1 & x > -5\\ -1 & x < -5 \end{cases}$$

c.
$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{x^2}$$

 $\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{x^2} = \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{x - 1}{x^2} = -\infty$

Since $x - 1 \rightarrow -1$ while $x^2 \rightarrow 0$.

d.
$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{2+3x+5x^2}{3-2x^2}$$
$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{2+3x+5x^2}{3-2x^2} = \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{2+3x+5x^2}{3-2x^2} \left(\frac{\frac{1}{x^2}}{\frac{1}{x^2}}\right) = \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{\frac{2}{x^2}+\frac{3}{x}+5}{\frac{3}{x^2}-2} = -\frac{5}{2}$$

e.
$$\lim_{x \to 1} \frac{3 - 4x + x^2}{x - 1}$$
$$\lim_{x \to 1} \frac{3 - 4x + x^2}{x - 1} = \lim_{x \to 1} \frac{(x - 3)(x - 1)}{x - 1} = \lim_{x \to 1} x - 3 = -2$$

e.
$$\lim_{x \to 1} 10^{f(x)}$$
 where $f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x & x < 1 \\ 0 & x = 1 \\ 3 - x & x > 1 \end{cases}$

 10^x is continuous everywhere, so

$$\lim_{x \to 1} 10^{f(x)} = 10^{\lim_{x \to 1} f(x)}$$

Looking at the definition of f(x), we see that both

$$\lim_{x \to 1^+} f(x) = 2$$
$$\lim_{x \to 1^-} f(x) = 2,$$

so $\lim_{x \to 1} 10^{f(x)} = 10^2 = 100.$

2. Define

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) & x \neq 0\\ 0 & x = 0 \end{cases}$$



b. Where is f(x) continuous? Use the limit definition of continuity to explain your answer.

sin(x) is continuous everywhere, and $\frac{1}{x}$ is continuous everywhere except at 0, so f(x) is continuous everywhere, except possibly at 0. By the squeeze theorem, using

$$-x^2 \le x^2 \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \le x^2$$

we see that $\lim_{x\to 0} f(x) = 0$. Since f(0) = 0, the function is equal to the value of its limit, so by the definition of continuity, f(x) is continuous at 0 as well.

3. Use the limit definition of the derivative to find the derivatives of the following functions. (Note: No credit will be given for using the power rule, it's not on this exam!)

a.
$$f(x) = 2x^{2} + x$$

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{2(x+h)^{2} + (x+h) - (2x^{2} + x)}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{2x^{2} + 4xh + 2h^{2} + (x+h) - (2x^{2} + x)}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{2x^{2} + 4xh + 2h^{2} + x + h - 2x^{2} + x)}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{4xh + 2h^{2} + h}{h} = \lim_{h \to 0} 4x + 2h + 1 = \boxed{4x+1}$$

b.
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x+2}$$

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{\frac{1}{x+h+2} - \frac{1}{x+2}}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{\frac{x+2-(x+2+h)}{(x+2)(x+2+h)}}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{\frac{-h}{(x+2)(x+2+h)}}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{-1}{(x+2)(x+2+h)} = \boxed{-\frac{1}{(x+2)^2}}$$

c. $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{\sqrt{x+h} - \sqrt{x}}{h}$$
$$= \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{\sqrt{x+h} - \sqrt{x}}{h} \left(\frac{\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x}}\right)$$
$$= \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{x+h-x}{h(\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x})}$$
$$= \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{1}{(\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x})} = \boxed{\frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}}$$

4. State the precise $(\epsilon - \delta)$ definition of the limit, and use it to prove that

$$\lim_{x \to 3} -2x + 1 = -5.$$

The limit of -2x + 1 as x approaches 3 equals -5 if, for every $\epsilon > 0$, there exists a $\delta > 0$, such that if $|x - 3| < \delta$, then $|(-2x + 1) - (-5)| < \epsilon$.

Take $\delta = \epsilon/2$. Then if $|x-3| < \delta = \epsilon/2$, we have that $2|x-3| < \epsilon$, so

$$|-2x+6| = |-2x+1-(-5)| < \epsilon.$$

5. Prove that there exists a value of x for which the function $f(x) = -100\cos(\pi x) + 10^x$ is equal to zero.

 $-100\cos(\pi x) + 10^x$ is continuous everywhere. Since f(0) = -100 + 1 = -99 and f(1) = 100 + 10 = 110, there exists a value of x between 0 and 1 where f(x) = 0 by the intermediate value theorem.

- 6. According to Boyle's Law, if the temperature of a confined gas is held fixed, then the product of the Pressure P and the volume V is a constant. Suppose that for a certain gas PV = 1000 in \times pounds. Where pressure is measured in pounds per square inch, and volume is measured in cubic inches.
 - a Find the average rate of change in P as V increases from 200 in^3 to 250 in^3 . When V is 200 in^3 , P is 5 pounds/ in^2 . When V is 250 in^3 , P is 4 pounds/ in^2 , so the average rate of change is $\frac{\Delta P}{\Delta V} = \frac{4-5}{250-200} = \frac{-1}{50}$
 - b Express V as a function of P, and find a function for the instantaneous rate of change of V with respect to P.

$$V(P) = \frac{1000}{P}.$$

$$V'(P) = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{\frac{1000}{P+h} - \frac{1000}{P}}{h} = 1000 \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{\frac{P - (P+h)}{P(P+h)}}{h}$$
$$= 1000 \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{\frac{-h}{P(P+h)}}{h} = 1000 \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{-1}{P(P+h)} = -\frac{1000}{P^2}$$

c Find a tangent line to the function when P=50 pounds/in². $V'(50) = -\frac{1000}{2500} = -0.4.$ So the tangent line is V = -0.4P + c for some c. Plugging in the point P=50, V=20, we find c = 40. So the tangent line is V = 0.4P + 40. 7. Find all vertical and horizontal asymptotes of the function

$$f(x) = \frac{3x+8}{x+3} + \tan^{-1}(x)$$

 $\frac{3x+8}{x+3}$ has a vertical asymptote at -3, so f(x) does as well, this is the only vertical asymptote. To find the horizontal asymptotes, we take

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{3x+8}{x+3} + \tan^{-1}(x) = \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{3+8/x}{1+3/x} + \lim_{x \to \infty} \tan^{-1}(x) = 3 + \pi/2$$

and

$$\lim_{x \to -\infty} \frac{3x+8}{x+3} + \tan^{-1}(x) = \lim_{x \to -\infty} \frac{3+8/x}{1+3/x} + \lim_{x \to -\infty} \tan^{-1}(x) = 3 - \pi/2$$

so the horizontal asymptotes are $3 + \pi/2$ and $3 - \pi/2$.

8. Draw the derivative of the following function.

