

Math 124, Solutions to Spring 2022 Midterm I

1. (a) The numerator approaches 6 (which is positive), the denominator approaches 0 and when $x > 3$, it is positive, so the limit is ∞ .

$$(b) \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(3x - \sqrt{9x^2 + 4x - 1}\right) \cdot \frac{3x + \sqrt{9x^2 + 4x - 1}}{3x + \sqrt{9x^2 + 4x - 1}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{9x^2 - (9x^2 + 4x - 1)}{3x + \sqrt{9x^2 + 4x - 1}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-4x + 1}{3x + \sqrt{9x^2 + 4x - 1}}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{-4x+1}{x}}{\frac{3x+\sqrt{9x^2+4x-1}}{x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-4 + \frac{1}{x}}{3 + \sqrt{9 + \frac{4}{x} - \frac{1}{x^2}}} = \frac{-4 + 0}{3 + \sqrt{9 + 0 - 0}} = -\frac{2}{3}$$

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

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

2. (a) $f'(x) = \frac{5e^x}{7} + \frac{3}{2\sqrt{x}} - 143x^{12} + \pi x^{\pi-1}$

(b) $g'(x) = \frac{(6x^2 - 5 \sin x)(7x^{11} + 13 \sin x) - (2x^3 + 5 \cos x)(77x^{10} + 13 \cos x)}{(7x^{11} + 13 \sin x)^2}$

(c) $h'(x) = e^x \tan(x) + xe^x \tan(x) + xe^x \sec^2(x)$

3. (i) DNE, (ii) -1 , (iii) $-\infty$, (iv) ∞ , (v) -5 , (vi)-1, (vii) $x = 3, 5$,
 (viii) $f'(2.5) < f'(0.5) < f'(0) < f'(8.7) < f'(5.1)$, (ix) $(-2, 3)$ and $(5, \infty)$, (x) $x = 2, 3, 5$

4. Let a be the x -coordinate of a point of tangency:

$$\frac{4a^2 + 7 - (-11)}{a - (-\frac{1}{2})} = \text{SLOPE} = f'(a) = 8a$$

so

$$4a^2 + 7 + 1 = 8a^2 + 4a$$

which gives two solutions $a = -2$ and $a = 1$.

At the point $(-2, 23)$ the tangent line is $y = -16x - 9$.

At the point $(1, 11)$ the tangent line is $y = 8x + 3$.