

Math 124 (Pezzoli)
Winter 2017
Midterm #1 (60 points)

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Instructions:

- Your exam contains 5 problems. The entire exam is worth 60 points.
- Your exam should contain 7 pages; please make sure you have a complete exam.
- Box in your final answer when appropriate.
- Unless stated otherwise, you **MUST** show work for credit. No credit for answers only. If in doubt, ask for clarification.
- Your work needs to be neat and legible.
- You are allowed one 8.5×11 sheet of notes (both sides).
- The only calculator allowed is TI-30x IIS

Problem #1 (15 pts) _____

Problem #2 (10 pts) _____

Problem #3 (15 pts) _____

Problem #4 (10 pts) _____

Problem #5 (10 pts) _____

TOTAL (60 pts) _____

1. Calculate the following limits. Your answer should be either a number, or $+\infty$, or $-\infty$ or DNE (does not exist). Make sure to justify all steps.

(a) (5 points) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^2 - 1}{x^2 - 2x + 1}$

$$\frac{(x-1)(x+1)}{(x-1)^2} = \frac{x+1}{x-1}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} \frac{x+1}{x-1} = +\infty$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{x+1}{x-1} = -\infty$$

so $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^2 - 1}{x^2 - 2x + 1} = \boxed{\text{DNE}}$

(b) (5 points) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} 1 + x^2 \cdot \sin \frac{1}{x} =$

$$-1 \leq \sin \frac{1}{x} \leq 1$$

$$-x^2 \leq x^2 \sin \frac{1}{x} \leq x^2 \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} -x^2 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^2 = 0$$

so by the squeeze th $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^2 \sin \frac{1}{x} = 0$ and

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} 1 + x^2 \sin \frac{1}{x} = \boxed{1}$$

- (c) (5 points) Find all values of the constant parameter A such that

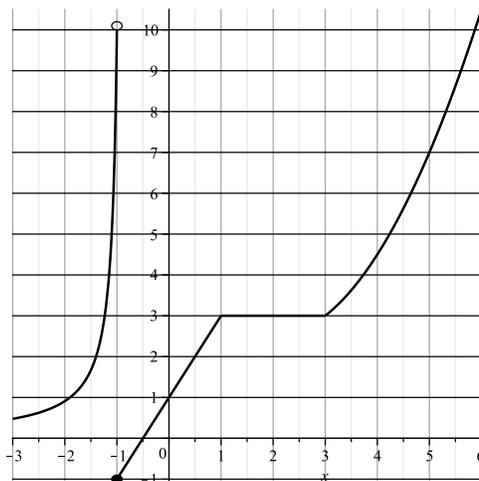
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{Ax^2 - 3}{7x^2 - 3x + 2} = 2$$

$$\frac{x^2 (A - 3/x^2) \rightarrow A}{x^2 (7 - 3/x + 2/x^2) \rightarrow 7}$$

so we want $\frac{A}{7} = 2$

$$\boxed{A = 14}$$

2. Below is the graph of a function $y = f(x)$.



- (a) (3 points) List all values a in the interval $[-2, 5]$ such that f is not continuous at a .
No justification necessary.

$$a = -1$$

- (b) (4 points) List all values a in the interval $[-2, 5]$ such that f is not differentiable at a . No justification necessary.

$$a = -1, 1, 3$$

- (c) (3 points) Calculate $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(h) - 1}{h}$. Show your work.

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(0+h) - f(0)}{h} = f'(0)$$

graphically $f'(0) = \boxed{2}$

3. The position with respect to a certain origin O of a certain object, that we will call object 1, moving along a straight line, is given by $s_1(t) = t^2 - t + 2$. t is measured in minutes, s_1 in feet.

(a) (3 points) Find the average velocity of the object in the time interval $[3, 4]$

$$\frac{s_1(4) - s_1(3)}{4 - 3} = (16 - 4 + 2) - (9 - 3 + 2) = \boxed{6} \text{ feet/min}$$

(b) (3 points) Find the instantaneous velocity of the object at $t=4$.

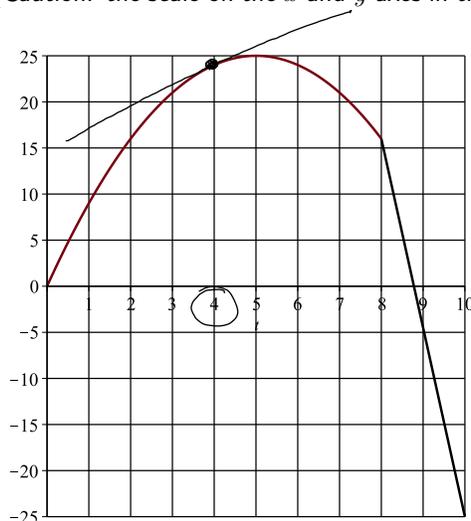
$$v(t) = s_1'(t) = 2t - 1$$
$$v(4) = 8 - 1 = \boxed{7} \text{ feet/min}$$

(c) (3 points) Find the acceleration $a(t)$ of the object

$$a(t) = v'(t) = 2 \text{ ft/min}^2$$

(PROBLEM CONTINUED)

A different object, that we will call object 2, moves along the same line and its position $s_2(t)$ is given by the function in the graph below. Time t is still measured in minutes, and distances s_2 in feet (Caution: the scale on the x and y axes in the graph below is different)



- (d) (3 points) Estimate which object, object 1 or object 2, is moving faster at time $t = 4$. Remember to justify your answer.

On the graph we can estimate that the slope of tangent line at $t=4$ is less than 7 so

object 1 is faster

- (e) (3 points) Estimate what is the first time $t \geq 0$ when the second object reverses its direction. No justification necessary.

at $t=5$ velocity will turn from positive to negative since s_2 turns from increasing to decreasing

4. (a) (5 points) Suppose $f(x)$ is the function defined below :

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x + 1, & \text{if } x \leq 2 \\ x^2 - 2x + b, & \text{if } x > 2 \end{cases}$$

For which values of the constant parameter b is $f(x)$ continuous everywhere? Remember to justify your answer.

The only problem could be at $x_0 = 2$
we want $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = f(2)$

$$f(2) = 5$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} 2x + 1 = 5$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} x^2 - 2x + b = b$$

so we need $\boxed{b = 5}$

(b) (5 points) Suppose $f(x)$ is the function defined below :

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x + 1, & \text{if } x \leq 2 \\ x^2 - 2x + 5, & \text{if } x > 2 \end{cases}$$

According to the definition of derivative, $f'(2) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(\boxed{2+h}) - f(\boxed{2})}{h}$

Fill in the blanks and carefully compute this limit showing all your steps.

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{f(2+h) - 5}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{2(2+h) + 1 - 5}{h} = \frac{2h}{h} = 2$$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(2+h) - 5}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{(2+h)^2 - 2(2+h) + 5 - 5}{h} = \frac{4 + 4h + h^2 - 4 - 2h}{h}$$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{2h + h^2}{h} = 2 + h = 2$$

so $\boxed{f'(2) = 2}$

5.

(a) (5 points) Let $g(x) = \sqrt{x} \cdot e^x + x^e + \frac{2}{x} + 3^4$. Compute $g'(x)$. You do not need to simplify your final answer.

$$g'(x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \cdot e^x + \sqrt{x} e^x + e x^{e-1} - \frac{2}{x^2}$$

(b) (5 points) Find the equation of the line tangent to the curve $y = x^2 + 1$ at the point $P = (1, -\frac{1}{4})$

Since $-\frac{1}{4} \neq 1^2 + 1$ P is not on the curve

Let $Q(x, x^2 + 1)$ be the point of tangency and m the slope of the tangent, then $m = 2x = \frac{x^2 + 1 + \frac{1}{4}}{x - 1}$ so

$$2x^2 - 2x = x^2 + \frac{5}{4} \quad x^2 - 2x - \frac{5}{4} = 0 \quad x = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 + 5}}{2} = \left\langle \begin{matrix} 5/2 \\ -1/2 \end{matrix} \right.$$

so we have $Q_1(\frac{5}{2}, \frac{29}{4})$ and $Q_2(-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{5}{4})$ and 2 tangent lines

$$y = \frac{29}{4} + 5(x - \frac{5}{2})$$

$$y = \frac{5}{4} - (x + \frac{1}{2})$$