

Midterm 1 - Review

1. State the following definitions / theorems:

- (a) function
- (b) graph of a relation
- (c) limit of a function; LHL and RHL
- (d) Squeeze Theorem
- (e) vertical asymptote
- (f) horizontal asymptote
- (g) continuity of a function (at a point and on an interval)
- (h) Intermediate Value Theorem
- (i) derivative of a function at a point
- (j) derivative of a function
- (k) Power Rule
- (l) Product Rule
- (m) Quotient Rule
- (n) the two limit lemmas
- (o) the **most** important trig identity

You might need to know other ones...

2. Compute the following limits.

(a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{3x^2 - 1}{2x + 5}$

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{x^2-1} + \sin x}{x + 1}$

(c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} \frac{x^2 - 9}{|x - 3|}$

(d) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \sqrt{1 - x^2}}{x}$

(e) $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(4+h) - f(4)}{h}$ where $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$

(f) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -4} \frac{\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{x}}{x + 4}$

(g) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos(x) - 1}{x^2}$

(h) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} (2x + |x - 3|)$

(i) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \left(\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{|x|} \right)$

(j) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} 7^{\frac{x^2-1}{x-1}}$

3. Prove $\frac{d}{dx} \sin x = \cos x$.

Hint: $\sin(a + b) = \sin a \cos b + \cos a \sin b$.

4. **True or False.** Justify your answer: if the answer is false, provide a counter example (or explain why it is false); if the answer is true, write a couple words or a sentence saying why it is true.

As an exercise, if the answer is true, state how the question could be changed to make the statement true.

(a) If $f(s) = f(t)$ then $s = t$.

(b) If f and g are functions then $f \circ g = g \circ f$.

(c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \left(\frac{2x}{x-4} - \frac{8}{x-4} \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \left(\frac{2x}{x-4} \right) - \lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \left(\frac{8}{x-4} \right).$

(d) If $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} f(x) = 2$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} g(x) = 0$, then $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$ does not exist.

(e) If $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} f(x) = 0$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} g(x) = 0$, then $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$ does not exist.

(f) If $g(1) = -1$ and $g(2) = 5$ then there exists a number c between 1 and 2 such that $g(c) = 0$.

(g) If $1 \leq f(x) \leq x^2 + 2x + 2$ for all x near -1 , then $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} f(x) = 1$.

(h) If the line $x = 1$ is a vertical asymptote of $y = f(x)$, then f is not defined at 1 .

(i) The equation $x + \ln(x + 1) = x^4 - 1$ has a root in the interval $(0, 2)$.

5. Determine the constant c that makes f continuous on $(-\infty, \infty)$.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} c^2 + \sin(x\pi) & \text{if } x < 2 \\ cx^2 - 4 & \text{if } x \geq 2 \end{cases}.$$

6. Is there a number b such that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \frac{3x^2 + bx + b + 3}{x^2 + x - 2}$$

exists? If so, find the value of b and the value of the limit.

7. Consider the function

$$f(x) = \frac{-3e^{2x} + 7e^x + 1}{e^{2x} - 2e^x}$$

Find all vertical asymptotes. Then find all horizontal asymptotes.

8. In the theory of relativity, the Lorentz contraction formula

$$L = L_0 \sqrt{1 - v^2/c^2}$$

expresses the length L of an object as a function of its velocity v with respect to an observer, where L_0 is the length of the object at rest and c is the speed of light. Find $\lim_{v \rightarrow c^-} L$ and interpret the result. Why is a left-hand limit necessary?

9. Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{\sqrt{6-x} - 2}{\sqrt{3-x} - 1}$

10. Solve for x , where we know

$$\ln x + \ln(x - 1) = 1$$

11. Find a formula for the inverse of the function

$$y = \frac{e^x}{1 + 2e^x}$$

12. Prove $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} e^x \cos(x) = 0$.

13. Prove

$$\log_{10} x = x - 3$$

has a solution.

14. Compute the following derivatives. You do not need to simplify your answers.

(a) $f'(x)$ if $f(x) = (2x^6 - 4x + 3)e^x$.

(b) $g'(x)$ if $g(x) = \frac{\sin x \cos x}{xe^x}$.

(c) $h'(x)$ if $h(x) = \frac{3 + 2 \sin x}{x^3 + 1}$

15. Suppose the displacement function of a particle is given by $s(t) = \sqrt{t}$ for $t > 0$.
- (a) Using the limit definition of the derivative, compute the velocity function. Then check your work using the power rule.
 - (b) Compute the acceleration function using the definition of the derivative. Then check your work using the power rule.