

MA1200 Mid-term Test for CE1, CF1, CG1 and CH1  
Nov. 10 (Friday)

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Instructions to candidates:

1. This paper has **six** questions. Answer **all** of them.
  2. Show all steps.
  3. Please write down your **name** and **student ID**.
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*This is a **closed-book** examination.*

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1. [16 marks] Classify the type of conic section described by the equation

$$3x^2 - 2y^2 + 6x + 8y - 11 = 0.$$

Sketch its graph with the coordinates of **vertices and foci** clearly shown.

(Hint: You may use the method of completing the squares.)

2. [17 marks] Express  $\frac{3x^2 - 6x + 6}{(x+1)(x^2 - x + 1)}$  in partial fractions.
3. [17 marks] Solve the equation:  $2\cos^2 x + 3\sin x = 3$ .
4. [15 marks] Solve the equation:  $5^{4-x} = 7^{3x+1}$ .
5. [21 marks] Find the following limits

$$[a] \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{x-5}{x^2-25} \quad [b] \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 5x}{x} \quad [c] \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2-1}{2x^2+1}$$

6. [14 marks] Let  $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 - 3 & \text{if } x < 2 \\ 1 & \text{if } x = 2 \\ \frac{1}{2}x & \text{if } x > 2 \end{cases}$ .

Determine whether the function is continuous at  $x = 2$ . Justify your answer.

End

$$1. \quad 3x^2 - 2y^2 + 6x + 8y - 11 = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow 3(x^2 + 2x) - 2(y^2 - 4y) - 11 = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow 3(x+1)^2 - 3 - 2(y-2)^2 + 8 - 11 = 0.$$

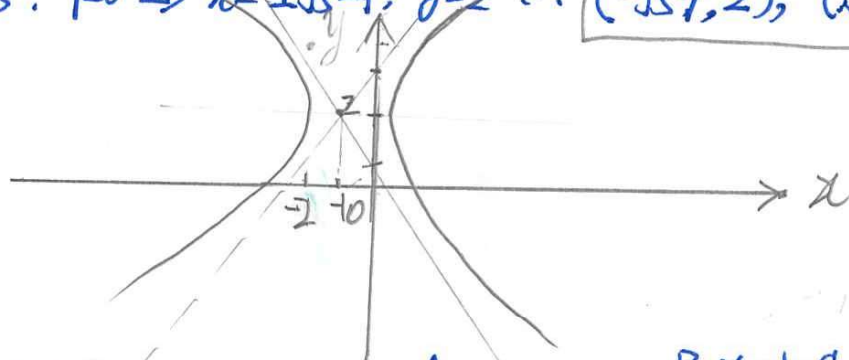
$$\Rightarrow 3(x+1)^2 - 2(y-2)^2 = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(x+1)^2}{2} - \frac{(y-2)^2}{3} = 1. \quad \text{Hyperbola.}$$

$$\text{let } X = x+1, \quad Y = y-2. \text{ then } \frac{X^2}{(\sqrt{2})^2} - \frac{Y^2}{(\sqrt{3})^2} = 1, \quad a = \sqrt{2}, \quad b = \sqrt{3}, \quad c = \sqrt{5}.$$

$$\text{Vertices: } X = \pm\sqrt{2}, \quad Y = 0 \Rightarrow x = \pm\sqrt{2} - 1, \quad y = 2 \therefore \boxed{(-\sqrt{2}-1, 2), (\sqrt{2}-1, 2)}$$

$$\text{foci: } X = \pm\sqrt{5}, \quad Y = 0 \Rightarrow x = \pm\sqrt{5} - 1, \quad y = 2 \therefore \boxed{(-\sqrt{5}-1, 2), (\sqrt{5}-1, 2)}$$



$$2. \quad I := \frac{3x^2 - 6x + 6}{(x+1)(x^2 - x + 1)} = \frac{A}{x+1} + \frac{Bx + C}{x^2 - x + 1}.$$

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

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

$$\therefore \begin{cases} A+B=3, \\ B+C-A=-6, \\ A+C=6. \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} A=5 \\ B=-2 \\ C=1 \end{cases}$$

$$\therefore I = \frac{5}{x+1} + \frac{-2x}{x^2 - x + 1}.$$

$$3. \quad 2\cos^2 x + 3\sin x = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(1 - \sin^2 x) + 3\sin x = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\sin^2 x - 3\sin x + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\sin x - 1) \cdot (2\sin x - 1) = 0$$

$$\therefore \sin x = 1 \text{ or } \sin x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{\pi}{2} + 2k\pi \text{ or } x = \frac{\pi}{6} + 2k\pi \text{ or } x = \frac{5\pi}{6} + 2k\pi, \quad k \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

$$4. \quad 5^{4-x} = 7^{3x+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow (4-x)\ln 5 = (3x+1)\ln 7.$$

$$\Rightarrow (3\ln 7 + \ln 5) \cdot x = 4\ln 5 - \ln 7$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{4\ln 5 - \ln 7}{3\ln 7 + \ln 5}.$$

$$5. [a]. \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{x-5}{x^2-25} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{1}{x+5} = \frac{1}{10}.$$

$$[b]. \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 5x}{x} = 5$$

$$[c]. \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2-1}{2x^2+1} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 - \frac{1}{x^2}}{2 + \frac{1}{x^2}} = \frac{1}{2}.$$

$$6. \quad f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2-3, & \text{if } x < 2. \\ 1, & \text{if } x = 2. \\ \frac{1}{2}x, & \text{if } x > 2. \end{cases}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} (x^2-3) = 1 = f(2)$$

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

$\therefore f(x)$  is continuous at  $x=2$ .