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## Calculus I MAT1320

### First Midterm Exam

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**Instructions.** *You must sign below to confirm that you have read, understand, and will follow them.*

- This is an 80-minute *closed-book* exam; no notes are allowed. Calculators are *not* permitted.
- The exam consists of 7 questions on 8 pages.
- Be sure to read carefully and follow the instructions for the individual problems. To receive full marks, your solution must be correct, complete, and show all relevant details.
- For rough work or additional work space, you may use the back pages. Do not use scrap paper of your own.
- Use proper mathematical notation and terminology.
- You may ask for clarification.
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Question	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total
Max	2	3	3	3	4	4	3	22
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- 1.** Determine the domain of the following function. *Briefly explain your reasoning. Give your answer in the form of a union of intervals.*

[2pts]

$$g(x) = \frac{\sqrt{x^2 - 16}}{\ln(x + 5)}$$

Solution:

We need

1.  $x^2 - 16 \geq 0$ ,
2.  $x + 5 > 0$ , and
3.  $\ln(x + 5) \neq 0$ .

From 1.  $x^2 \geq 16$  so  $|x| \geq 4$ . Thus,  $x \in (-\infty, -4] \cup [4, \infty)$ .

From 2.  $x + 5 > 0$ , so  $x > -5$ . Thus,  $x \in (-5, \infty)$ .

From 3.  $\ln(x + 5) \neq 0$ , so  $x + 5 \neq e^0 = 1$ . Thus,  $x \neq -4$ .

Therefore, the domain of  $g$  is  $(-5, -4) \cup [4, \infty)$ .

2. (a) Find all solutions to the equation  $\log_4(x^2 - 6x) = 2$ .

Solution:

We have

$$\begin{aligned}\log_4(x^2 - 6x) &= 2 \\ \implies x^2 - 6x &= 4^2 \\ \implies x^2 - 6x - 16 &= 0 \\ \implies (x + 2)(x - 8) &= 0 \\ \implies x = -2 \text{ or } x = 8\end{aligned}$$

- (b) Use (a) to find  $f^{-1}(2)$  for the function  $f(x) = \log_4(x) + \log_4(x - 6)$ .

*Note: It can be verified that  $f$  is one-to-one, and hence invertible, but you need not show this.*

[3pts]

Solution:

We have  $f^{-1}(2) = x \iff f(x) = 2$ , so we need to solve for  $x$  in the second equation:

$$\begin{aligned}f(x) &= 2 \\ \implies \log_4(x) + \log_4(x - 6) &= 2 \\ \implies \log_4(x(x - 6)) &= 2 \\ \implies \log_4(x^2 - 6x) &= 2 \\ \implies x = -2 \text{ or } x = 8 &\quad \text{from part a)} \\ \implies f^{-1}(2) = 8 &\quad \text{(since } -2 \text{ is not in the domain of } f)\end{aligned}$$

**3.** Find the derivative of

$$f(x) = \sqrt{3x+4}$$

using the definition. *You may not use any of the differentiation rules from class, only the definition involving a limit (i.e. from 1st principles). Show all relevant steps in your solution!*

[3pts]

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{3(x+h)+4} - \sqrt{3x+4}}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left( \frac{\sqrt{3(x+h)+4} - \sqrt{3x+4}}{h} \right) \left( \frac{\sqrt{3(x+h)+4} + \sqrt{3x+4}}{\sqrt{3(x+h)+4} + \sqrt{3x+4}} \right) \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(3(x+h)+4) - (3x+4)}{h(\sqrt{3(x+h)+4} + \sqrt{3x+4})} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{3h}{h(\sqrt{3(x+h)+4} + \sqrt{3x+4})} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{3}{\sqrt{3(x+h)+4} + \sqrt{3x+4}} \\ &= \frac{3}{\sqrt{3(x+0)+4} + \sqrt{3x+4}} \\ &= \frac{3}{\sqrt{3x+4} + \sqrt{3x+4}} \end{aligned}$$

4. Let  $A$  and  $B$  be parameters, and define a function

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{A}{x^2 - 2} & \text{if } x < 2 \\ B & \text{if } x = 2 \\ \frac{4x + A}{5x - 4} & \text{if } x > 2 \end{cases}.$$

[3pts]

*Show all relevant steps when answering the following questions.*

(a) Determine  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} g(x)$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} g(x)$ .

Solution:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} g(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{A}{x^2 - 2} = \frac{A}{2^2 - 2} = \frac{A}{2}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} g(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{4x + A}{5x - 4} = \frac{4(2) + A}{5(2) - 4} = \frac{8 + A}{6}$$

(b) Use your work in (a) to determine all values of  $A$  such that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} g(x)$  exists.

Solution:

For the  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} g(x)$  to exist, we need the left limit to equal the right limit. Thus, we need:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{A}{2} &= \frac{8 + A}{6} \\ 6A &= 2(8 + A) = 16 + 2A \\ 4A &= 16 \\ A &= 4 \end{aligned}$$

For the limit to exist, we need  $A = 4$ .

- (c) Use your work in (b) to determine all values of  $B$  such that  $g$  is continuous at 2.

Solution:

To be continuous at 2, we need  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} g(x) = g(2)$ .

From (b), we find that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} g(x) = \frac{A}{2} = \frac{4}{2} = 2$ .

By definition of  $g$ , we have  $g(2) = B$ . Thus, we need  $B = 2$ .

5. Evaluate the following limits using rigorous mathematical methods seen in class. Show all relevant steps in your solution. *You may use any technique we have seen so far in the course. Even if you know L'Hospital's Rule — please do not use it.*
- [4pts]

$$1. \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x^2 + \sqrt{x^4 + 6}}{-7x^2 + 4}$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x^2 + \sqrt{x^4 + 6}}{-7x^2 + 4} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x^2 + \sqrt{x^4(1 + \frac{6}{x^4})}}{-7x^2 + 4} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x^2 + \sqrt{x^4} \sqrt{1 + \frac{6}{x^4}}}{-7x^2 + 4} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x^2 + |x^2| \sqrt{1 + \frac{6}{x^4}}}{-7x^2 + 4} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x^2 + x^2 \sqrt{1 + \frac{6}{x^4}}}{-7x^2 + 4} && \text{since } x^2 \geq 0 \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2(2 + \sqrt{1 + \frac{6}{x^4}})}{x^2(-7 + \frac{4}{x^2})} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2 + \sqrt{1 + \frac{6}{x^4}}}{-7 + \frac{4}{x^2}} \\
 &= \frac{2 + \sqrt{1 + 0}}{-7 + 0} \\
 &= \frac{2 + 1}{-7} \\
 &= -\frac{3}{7}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$2. \lim_{x \rightarrow 10} \left( \frac{1}{x-10} - \frac{20}{x^2-100} \right)$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 10} \left( \frac{1}{x-10} - \frac{20}{x^2-100} \right) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 10} \left( \frac{1}{x-10} - \frac{20}{(x-10)(x+10)} \right) \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 10} \left( \frac{1(x+10)}{(x-10)(x+10)} - \frac{20}{(x-10)(x+10)} \right) \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 10} \frac{1(x+10) - 20}{(x-10)(x+10)} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 10} \frac{x-10}{(x-10)(x+10)} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 10} \frac{1}{x+10} \\ &= \frac{1}{10+10} \\ &= \frac{1}{20} \end{aligned}$$



- 6.** Determine each of the following derivatives. *You may use any technique we have seen so far in the course. You do not need to simplify your answers.*
- [4pts]

1.  $\frac{d}{dt} \left[ \frac{5t \cos t + 2\pi}{3t^4 - 7t} \right]$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \left[ \frac{5t \cos t + 2\pi}{3t^4 - 7t} \right] &= \frac{(5 \cos t + 5t(-\sin t) + 0)(3t^4 - 7t) - (5t \cos t + 2\pi)(3(4t^3) - 7)}{(3t^4 - 7t)^2} \\ &= \frac{(5 \cos t - 5t \sin t)(3t^4 - 7t) - (5t \cos t + 2\pi)(3(4t^3) - 7)}{(3t^4 - 7t)^2} \end{aligned}$$

2.  $\frac{d}{dx} \left[ \tan(5 \sin(\sqrt{x})) \right]$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} \left[ \tan(5 \sin(\sqrt{x})) \right] &= \sec^2(5 \sin(\sqrt{x}))(5 \cos(\sqrt{x})) \left( \frac{1}{2} x^{-1/2} \right) \\ &= \frac{\sec^2(5 \sin(\sqrt{x}))(5 \cos(\sqrt{x}))}{2\sqrt{x}} \end{aligned}$$

- 7.** Determine the  $x$ -coordinates of all points on the curve  $f(x) = (x - 4)^2 e^{x+5}$  where the tangent line is horizontal. *Show all relevant steps in your solution.*
- [3pts]

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= (x - 4)^2 e^{x+5} \\ \implies f'(x) &= 2(x - 4)^1 e^{x+5} + (x - 4)^2 e^{x+5} \\ \text{For horizontal tangents, we solve } f'(x) &= 0 \\ \implies 2(x - 4)e^{x+5} + (x - 4)^2 e^{x+5} &= 0 \\ \implies (x - 4)e^{x+5} [2 + (x - 4)] &= 0 \\ \implies (x - 4)e^{x+5}(x - 2) &= 0 \\ \implies x = 4 \text{ or } x = 2 &\quad (e^{x+5} \neq 0 \text{ for all } x \in \mathbb{R}) \end{aligned}$$

The tangent line to  $f$  is horizontal when  $x = 4$  or  $x = 2$ .