

**MIDTERM TEST (Group 1)**  
Semester 3, Academic year 2018-2019  
Duration: 90 minutes

<b>SUBJECT: Calculus 2</b>	
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**Instructions:**

- Each student is allowed a maximum of two double-sided sheets of reference material (of size A4 or similar). All other documents and electronic devices, except scientific calculators, are not allowed.
- Each question carries 20 marks.

**Question 1.** Find the following limits:

$$a) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\ln(6n^2 + n + 1) - \ln(n^2 + 2n + 5)) \quad b) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n(\sqrt[n]{e} - 1)$$

**Question 2.** Determine whether the given series is convergent or divergent:

$$a) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\ln n}{n^2} \quad b) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)$$

**Question 3.** Find a power series representation for the function  $f(x) = \frac{x}{(1+2x)^2}$  and determine the radius of convergence of the power series.

**Question 4.** Determine whether the following two lines are parallel, intersecting, or skew. If they are skew, find the distance between them

$$L_1 : \quad x = 1 + t, \quad y = 1 + 6t, \quad z = 2t$$

and

$$L_2 : \quad 1 + 2s, \quad y = 5 + 15s, \quad z = -2 + 6s$$

**Question 5.** (a) Find the limit of the given vector function

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \left\langle \frac{\sqrt{1+t} - \sqrt{1-t}}{t}, t^2 + 2, \frac{1}{t} - \frac{1}{t^2 + t} \right\rangle.$$

(b) Find parametric equations for the tangent line to the curve  $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle t \cos t, t \sin t, t \rangle$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$  at the point  $(0, \pi/2, \pi/2)$ .

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# CALCULUS 2

## Solutions for Mid-term Test

**Question 1.** a)

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\ln(6n^2 + n + 1) - \ln(n^2 + 2n + 5)) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ln \frac{6n^2 + n + 1}{n^2 + 2n + 5} = \ln \left( \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{6 + 1/n + 1/n^2}{1 + 2/n + 5/n^2} \right) = \ln 6$$

b) We have

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n(\sqrt[n]{e} - 1) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x(e^{1/x} - 1) \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^{1/x} - 1}{1/x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^{1/x}(1/x)'}{(1/x)'} \\ &= e^0 = 1. \end{aligned}$$

**Question 2.** a) Set

$$f(x) = \frac{\ln x}{x^2}, \quad x \geq 3.$$

Then  $f(x)$  is continuous, decreasing, and  $f(n) = a_n$ . Since

$$\begin{aligned} \int_3^\infty \frac{\ln x}{x^2} dx &= \int_3^\infty \ln x d(-1/x) = -\ln x/x \Big|_3^\infty + \int_3^\infty 1/x^2 dx \\ &= \ln 3/3 - 1/x \Big|_3^\infty = (\ln 3 + 1)/3. \end{aligned}$$

This implies the series  $\sum_{n=3}^\infty (\ln n)/n^2$  is convergent so is the series  $\sum_{n=1}^\infty (\ln n)/n^2$ .

b) We have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sin 1/n}{1/n} = 1$$

The series  $\sum 1/n$  diverges, by the limit comparison test, the given series diverges.

**Question 3.** We have

$$\frac{1}{1-x} = \sum_{n=0}^\infty x^n, \quad |x| < 1.$$

So

$$\frac{1}{1+2x} = \frac{1}{1-(-2x)} = \sum_{n=0}^\infty (-2x)^n = \sum_{n=0}^\infty (-2)^n x^n, \quad |x| < 1/2.$$

Using differentiation

$$\frac{d}{dx} \frac{1}{1+2x} = \frac{-2}{(1+2x)^2} = \sum_{n=1}^\infty (-2)^n n x^{n-1}, \quad |x| < 1/2$$

so

$$\frac{x}{(1+2x)^2} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-2)^{n-1} n x^n, \quad |x| < 1/2.$$

$$R = 1/2.$$

**Question 4.** Let  $(\alpha)$  be the plane containing  $(L_1)$  and parallel to  $(L_2)$ . Then the distance between the skew lines  $(L_1)$  and  $(L_2)$  is equal to the distance from  $M(1, 5, -2)$  on  $(L_2)$  to  $(\alpha)$ .

The normal vector  $n$  of  $(\alpha)$  can be chosen as

$$n = \langle 1, 6, 2 \rangle \times \langle 2, 15, 6 \rangle = \langle 6, -2, 3 \rangle.$$

Hence, the plane has the equation

$$6(x-1) - 2(y-1) + 3z = 0$$

or

$$6x - 2y + 3z - 4 = 0.$$

Therefore, the distance is

$$d = \frac{|6 \times 1 - 2 \times 5 + 3 \times (-2) - 4|}{\sqrt{6^2 + 2^2 + 3^2}} = 2.$$

**Question 5.** (a) It holds that

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{1+t} - \sqrt{1-t}}{t} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{(1+t) - (1-t)}{t(\sqrt{1+t} + \sqrt{1-t})} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{2}{(\sqrt{1+t} + \sqrt{1-t})} = 1$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \left( \frac{1}{t} - \frac{1}{t^2+t} \right) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{t^2+t-t}{t(t^2+t)} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{t+1} = 1.$$

So

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \left\langle \frac{\sqrt{1+t} - \sqrt{1-t}}{t}, t^2 + 2, \frac{1}{t} - \frac{1}{t^2+t} \right\rangle = \langle 1, 2, 1 \rangle$$

$$(b) \mathbf{r}(t) = \langle t \cos t, t \sin t, t \rangle, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi.$$

It holds that

$$\mathbf{r}'(t) = \langle \cos t - t \sin t, \sin t + t \cos t, 1 \rangle, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi.$$

The point  $A(0, \pi/2, \pi/2)$  on the curve corresponds to  $t = \pi/2$ . So  $\mathbf{r}'(\pi/2) = \langle -\pi/2, 1, 1 \rangle$ . Thus the tangent line has equations

$$x = -(\pi/2)t, \quad y = \pi/2 + t, \quad z = \pi/2 + t.$$