
FINAL EXAMINATION

Course Code: MATH 1023
Course Title: Honors Calculus I
Semester: Fall 2020-21
Date and Time: 8:30AM - 11:30AM, 17 December 2020

Instructions

- Absolutely **NO DISCUSSION**, online or offline, with any person other than the instructor.
- Posting anything on social media or any public internet website is **NOT** allowed.
- It is an **OPEN-NOTES** and **OPEN-INTERNET** exam. You can do searching on the internet (including using WolframAlpha), but no posting and discussion.
- Only results discussed in lectures and tutorials, and results proved in homework can be directly quoted.
- You must **SHOW YOUR WORK** and **JUSTIFY YOUR STEPS** to receive credits in every problem in Part B.
- Some problems in Part B are structured into several parts. You can quote the results stated in the preceding parts to do the next part, even if you cannot do the preceding parts.
- One page 1 of your work, write the following statement and sign:

“I confirm that I have answered the questions using only materials specified approved for use in this examination, that all the answers are my own work, and that I have not received any assistance during the examination.”

Your signature

- You need to **SIGN** on the top right corner of **EVERY PAGE** of your work.
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Part A - Short Questions (25 points)

Recommended timing: the whole Part A < 30min.

Instruction: Write down your answers or solutions in your own answer sheets. **State the question and part numbers clearly.**

1. Which mathematician below was never mentioned in lectures of this course? [2]

A. L'Hospital
B. Levi-Civita
C. Lagrange
D. Legendre
E. Laplace

2. Prove that [6]

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} |x^2 - 9| = 5$$

from the ε, δ -definition of limits

3. Suppose f is three times differentiable at 0, and as $x \rightarrow 0$, we have [3]

$$f(x) = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{1}{6}x^2 - \frac{3}{40}x^3 + o(x^3).$$

Choose the right choice in each bracket. No need to explain.

- (a) $(0, \frac{\pi}{2})$ is a local (maximum / minimum) point of f .
(b) $f'''(0)$ is (positive / zero / negative).
(c) $\left. \frac{d}{dx} \right|_{x=0} x f(x)$ is (positive / zero / negative).
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4. According to our lectures, which of the following was/were proved using Extreme Value Theorem (EVT)? List ALL correct answers - write the letters only. [Note: if EVT is used to prove (A), and (A) is used to prove (B), then (B) is also counted.] [6]

- (a) Intermediate Value Theorem
(b) Mean Value Theorem
(c) L'Hospital's Rule
(d) Lagrange's Remainder Theorem
(e) $f'(x) \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R} \implies f$ is increasing on \mathbb{R} .
(f) f is increasing on $\mathbb{R} \implies f'(x) \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$.
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5. Suppose f is C^∞ on \mathbb{R} . Given that there exists a sequence $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ of positive real numbers such that [8]

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0, \text{ and } f(a_n) = 0 \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Prove by induction that for any $k \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$, there exists a sequence $\{a_n^{(k)}\}_{n=1}^\infty$ such that $f^{(k)}(a_n^{(k)}) = 0$ for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n^{(k)} = 0$.

Part B - Long Questions (75 points): Answer ALL THREE problems

Recommended timing: Q1 < 45min, Q2 < 45min, Q3 < 60min

Instructions: Write your solutions on your own answer sheets. **Clearly indicate the question and part numbers.**

1. Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a differentiable function such that

$$f'(x) = \cos^2(f(x)) \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- (a) Prove by induction that for any $k \in \mathbb{N}$:

[12]

$$\begin{cases} f^{(2k-1)}(x) = (-1)^{k-1} (2k-2)! \cos^{2k-1} f(x) \cdot \cos((2k-1)f(x)), \text{ and} \\ f^{(2k)}(x) = (-1)^k (2k-1)! \cos^{2k} f(x) \cdot \sin(2kf(x)) \end{cases}$$

- (b) Using (a), show that f is real analytic at every $a \in \mathbb{R}$.

[8]

2. Suppose $f : (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is differentiable on $(0, \infty)$ and f' is strictly decreasing on $(0, \infty)$. Let $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ be a sequence of positive real numbers. Denote

$$S_n := a_1 + a_2 + \cdots + a_n \quad \text{and} \quad H_n := \frac{1}{S_1} + \frac{1}{S_2} + \cdots + \frac{1}{S_n}.$$

- (a) Prove that for each integer $N \geq 2$, we have:

[6]

$$\sum_{n=2}^N f'(S_n) < \sum_{n=2}^N \frac{f(S_n) - f(S_{n-1})}{a_n} < \sum_{n=1}^{N-1} f'(S_n).$$

- (b) Show that for each integer $N \geq 2$, we have

[6]

$$H_N - \frac{1}{S_1} < \log \left(\left(\frac{S_2}{S_1} \right)^{\frac{1}{a_2}} \left(\frac{S_3}{S_2} \right)^{\frac{1}{a_3}} \cdots \left(\frac{S_N}{S_{N-1}} \right)^{\frac{1}{a_N}} \right) < H_N - \frac{1}{S_N}$$

- (c) Show that the following limit exists:

[12]

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log \left(\left(\frac{S_2}{S_1} \right)^{\frac{1}{a_2}} \left(\frac{S_3}{S_2} \right)^{\frac{1}{a_3}} \cdots \left(\frac{S_N}{S_{N-1}} \right)^{\frac{1}{a_N}} \right)}{H_N}.$$

[Hint: Consider two cases: (1) $\{H_n\}$ is bounded; (2) $\{H_n\}$ is unbounded]

3. Consider a function $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ which is C^2 on \mathbb{R} (i.e. $f''(x)$ exists for any $x \in \mathbb{R}$ and f'' is continuous on \mathbb{R}). Given that f satisfies the all of the following conditions:

- (i) $f(x) > 0$ for any $x \in \mathbb{R}$
- (ii) $f'(x) > 0$ for any $x \in \mathbb{R}$
- (iii) $f(-1) > 1$
- (iv) $f(-1)f'(-1) < 1$
- (v)

$$1 - \frac{f(x)f''(x)}{1 + f'(x)^2} = \frac{f(x)(1 + f'(x)^2)}{f(x) - xf'(x)} \quad \text{and} \quad f(x) - xf'(x) \neq 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Denote $Q(x) := -\frac{f(x)f'(x) + x}{f(x) - xf'(x)}$.

- (a) Let $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$, show that $Q(x_0) > 0$ if and only if $f''(x_0) > 0$. In the remaining parts (b)-(d), you may use the following **without** proofs: [4]
 - $Q(x_0) < 0$ if and only if $f''(x_0) < 0$; and
 - $Q(x_0) = 0$ if and only if $f''(x_0) = 0$.
- (b) Show that if $f''(x_0) = 0$, then $Q'(x_0) < 0$. [8]
- (c) Show that:
 - i. $f''(x) < 0$ for any $x \geq 0$, and [3]
 - ii. there **exists a unique** $x_* \in (-1, 0)$ such that $f''(x_*) = 0$. [Hint: for the uniqueness part it is helpful to use (a), (b) and consider the graph of Q .] [12]
- (d) Sketch the graph $y = f(x)$ on the interval $-1 \leq x \leq 1$. Your graph should illustrate conditions (i)-(iii) and results proved in (c). [4]

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