

**DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS  
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**MATH 223–CALCULUS II**

**Exercise 2**

1. Given that  $f(x) = b^x$  for  $b > 0$ . Determine the values of  $b$  that will make the function  $f$  an increasing or a decreasing function.
2. Given that  $f(x) = \log_b x$  for  $b > 0$ . Determine the values of  $b$  that will make the function  $f$  an increasing or a decreasing function.
3. Explain with graphs why the coordinate  $(a, b)$  is on the graph of  $f$  whenever the coordinate  $(b, a)$  is on the graph of  $f^{-1}$ .
4. Explain the meaning of  $\log_b x$ .
5. Sketch the graphs of each of the following functions on the same set of axes.  
 $y = 2^x$ ,  $y = 2^{-x}$ ,  $y = 2^{x-1}$ ,  $y = 2^x + 1$ ,  $y = 2^{2x}$ .
6. Do as in question 5. for the following functions  
 $y = \log_2 x$ ,  $y = \log_2(x - 1)$ ,  $y = \log_2 x^2$ .
7. Find the derivatives of the following.  
a)  $y = \log_8(|\tan x|)$     b)  $y = \log_2(\log_2 x)$   
c)  $f(x) = (\sin x)^{\tan x}$ ,  $0 < x < \pi$ ,  $x \neq \frac{\pi}{2}$     c)  $f(x) = \frac{e^{2x} x (\sin x)^{\cos x}}{x^{\cot x}}$ ,  $x \neq \frac{\pi}{2}$ .
8. Suppose that  $f$  and  $g$  are differentiable functions of  $x$ . Show, by logarithmic differentiation, that

$$\frac{d}{dx}(f^g) = g(f^{g-1}) \frac{df}{dx} + (f^g \ln g) \frac{dg}{dx}.$$

Interpret the two terms on the right in the special cases where  $f$  is constant, and where  $g$  is constant.

9. Use the definition of the derivative to evaluate the following limits.  
a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow e} \frac{\ln x - 1}{x - e}$     b)  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\ln(e^8 + h) - 8}{h}$     c)  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(3+h)^{3+h} - 27}{h}$     d)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2^x - 1}{3^x - 1}$   
e)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{5^x - 25}{x - 2}$     f)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x(e^{1/x} - 1)$
10. By Choosing a suitable function, derive the limit definition of the following using the definition of the derivative  
a)  $\ln(\sin b)$ ,  $\sin b > 0$     b)  $\ln(a^a)$ ,  $a > 0$
11. By using the definition of the natural logarithmic function, prove that  $2 < e < 3$ .
12. By using the definition of the natural logarithmic function, prove the following  
(a)  $\frac{x}{1+x} < \ln(1+x) < x$  ( $x > 0$ ),  
(b)  $x < -\ln(1-x) < \frac{x}{1-x}$  ( $0 < x < 1$ ).  
(c)  $x - \frac{1}{2}x^2 < \ln(1+x)$  ( $x > 0$ ),  
(d)  $\frac{x-1}{x} < \log x < x-1$  ( $x > 1$ ).
13. In each of the following, determine which function  $(f, g)$  has a higher order of magnitude. Find another function  $h$  such that its order of magnitude is between that of  $f$  and  $g$  (i.e say  $f(x) < h(x) < g(x)$  for large values of  $x$ ).  
a)  $g(x) = \sqrt{x}$  and  $f(x) = \sqrt[3]{x}$     b)  $f(x) = \sqrt{\ln x}$  and  $g(x) = \sqrt[3]{\ln x}$   
c)  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$  and  $g(x) = \ln^3 x$ .

14. Arrange the functions

$$\frac{x}{\sqrt{\ln x}}, \frac{x\sqrt{\ln x}}{\ln \ln x}, \frac{x \ln \ln x}{\sqrt{\ln x}}, \frac{x \ln \ln \ln x}{\sqrt{\ln \ln x}}$$

according to their order of magnitude.

15. Use limit methods to determine which of the two given functions grows faster, or state that they have comparable growth rates.

- (a)  $x^{10}; e^{0.01x}$
- (b)  $x^2 \ln x; \ln^2 x$
- (c)  $e^{x^2}; x^{x/10}$
- (d)  $e^x; x^x$

16. Evaluate the following limits:

- (a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x \ln x$
- (b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x^{-3} e^x$
- (c)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\ln x}{x}$
- (d)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x \ln x$

17. Use l'hospital's rule to evaluate these limits

- (a)  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} (1 + 2h)^{1/h}$
- (b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\ln(1+x)}{x}$
- (c)  $\lim_{u \rightarrow \pi/4} \frac{\tan u - \cot u}{u - \pi/4i}$
- (d)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (\sin x) \sqrt{\frac{1-x}{x}}$
- (e)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \left( \cot x - \frac{1}{x} \right)$
- (f)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{x} \right)^{\ln x}$

18. **Miscellaneous limits by any means:** Use analytical methods to evaluate the following limits.

- (a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 6} \frac{\sqrt[5]{5x+2}-2}{1/x-1/6}$
- (b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\log_2 x - \log_3 x)$
- (c)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1+2+\dots+n}{n^2}$
- (d)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} \left( \frac{1}{x-1} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{x-1}} \right)$

19. Consider the limit

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{ax+b}}{\sqrt{cx+d}},$$

where  $a, b, c, d$  are positive real numbers. Show that L'hospital's rule fails for this limit. Find the limit using another method.