

# Quiz 9

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MATH 222-004

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For full credit please explain all of your answers. **No calculators** are allowed.

**Problem 1.** Find  $T_5\{e^{1+t}\}$  using any method you want [**5 points**]. As a reminder  $e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!}$ .

**Solution 1.**

We realize that

$$T_5\{e^{1+t}\} = eT_5\{e^t\} = e + ex + \frac{ex^2}{2} + \frac{ex^3}{3!} + \frac{ex^4}{4!} + \frac{ex^5}{5!}$$

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**Problem 2.** Let  $f$  be the real valued function defined below

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x \neq 0 \\ 1 & x = 0 \end{cases}$$

If we take the sequence  $a_n = \frac{2^n}{n!}$ . What is  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$ ? [**2 points**]. Is it true that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(a_n) = f(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n)$ ? [**3 points**] You don't need to use the rigorous definition of a limit to justify your answer, but you do need to discuss how you arrived at your decision.

**Solution 2.**

Recall that factorials grow far faster than exponentials so  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$ . However  $\frac{2^n}{n!} > 0$  for all  $n$  even though it goes to zero. So  $f(a_n) = 0$  for all  $n$ . This implies

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(a_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 0 = 0$$

However  $f(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n) = f(0) = 1$ . So  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(a_n) \neq f(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n)$ . This can occur because  $f$  is not continuous. □