

## Section 1-4 Midterm Review

### 1. Function

(1) Exponential Function ( $e \cong 2.7183$ ,  $f(x) = e^x$ ,  $f'(0) = e^0 = 1$ )

i.  $b^{x+y} = b^x b^y$       ii.  $b^{x-y} = b^x b^{-y}$       iii.  $(b^x)^y = b^{xy}$       iv.  $(ab)^x = a^x b^x$

(2) Logarithmic Function ( $\ln(x) \equiv \log_e(x)$ .) **Caution:** Should be written as  $\ln$  not  $\ln$ . (**Lowercase LN!**)

i.  $\ln(xy) = \ln x + \ln y$       ii.  $\ln(\frac{x}{y}) = \ln x - \ln y$       iii.  $\ln(x^r) = r \ln x$       iv.  $\ln(e^x) = x$

(3) Inverse Function ( $f(x) = y \Leftrightarrow f^{-1}(y) = x$ )

Step 1. Write  $y = f(x)$ .

Step 2. Solve the equation of  $x$  in terms of  $y$ , then we can get  $f^{-1}(y) = x$

Step 3. Express the  $f^{-1}$  as a function of  $x$ . (As Required)

(4) Inverse Trigonometric Function

$y = \sin^{-1}(x) \Rightarrow$	Domain: $-1 \leq x \leq 1$ ,	Range: $-\frac{\pi}{2} \leq y \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$
$y = \cos^{-1}(x) \Rightarrow$	Domain: $-1 \leq x \leq 1$ ,	Range: $0 \leq y \leq \pi$
$y = \tan^{-1}(x) \Rightarrow$	Domain: $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,	Range: $-\frac{\pi}{2} \leq y \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$

### 2. Limit

(1) One-side Limit and Existence

If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x)$ , then we can say  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$  exist.

(2) Asymptotes

i. Vertical Asymptotes: Find the  $x$  in the domain of  $f(x)$  such that  $y$  approach  $\pm\infty$ .

ii. Horizontal Asymptotes: Check if  $f(x)$  approach constant as  $x$  approaches  $\pm\infty$ .

iii. Slant Asymptotes: Factorize the fraction and check if  $f(x)$  approach a specific linear function  $g(x)$  as  $x$  approach  $\pm\infty$ .

(3) Calculation

i. Direct Substitutions: The most intuitive way, just substitute  $x$  into the approaching value.

ii. Fractional Reduction: Factorize or Reduce the fraction then use the substitution.

iii. Absolute & Piecewise Function:

E.g.: Gaussian Floor or Ceiling Function, Heaviside Unit Step Function.

Discuss different interval using one-side limit.

iv. Squeeze Theorem:

If  $g(x) \leq f(x) \leq h(x)$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} h(x) = L$ , then  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L$

Hint: Think of the Squeeze theorem while dealing with the limit of trigonometric Function.

v. L'Hospital Rule: Using to deal with the limit of undeterminate form.

$$\text{Suppose } \begin{cases} \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{0}{0} \text{ or } \\ \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \pm \frac{\infty}{\infty} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \left( \frac{0}{0} \right) \\ \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \left( \frac{\infty}{\infty} \right) \end{cases} \stackrel{L.H.}{=} \begin{cases} \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)} \\ \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)} \end{cases}$$

Type of undeterminate form:

- (1) Fraction:  $\frac{0}{0}, \frac{\infty}{\infty}$  (Use L'Hospital Rule directly)
- (2) Product:  $0 \cdot \infty$  (Move 0 or  $\infty$  to the denominator to form  $\frac{0}{0}$  or  $\frac{\infty}{\infty}$ )
- (3) Power:  $0^0, 1^\infty, \infty^0$  (Try to use Natural Log ( $\ln$ ) to form  $\frac{0}{0}$  or  $\frac{\infty}{\infty}$ )
- (4) Subtraction:  $\infty - \infty$  (Reduce or Factorize the Square root or Fraction to form  $\frac{0}{0}$  or  $\frac{\infty}{\infty}$ )

### 3. Continuity

(1) Definition

- i.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$  exist.
- ii.  $f(a)$  is defined.
- iii.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = f(a)$

(2) Type of Discontinuity

- i. Hole
- ii. Infinity
- iii. Break
- iv. Oscillation

### 4. Derivative

(1) Definition

$$\text{If } \lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} \frac{f(x)-f(a)}{x-a} = \lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} \frac{f(x)-f(a)}{x-a}, \text{ then } f'(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)-f(a)}{x-a}$$

(2) Common Derivative

- i.  $\frac{d}{dx} (\text{Constant}) = 0$
- ii.  $\frac{d}{dx} (x^n) = nx^{n-1}$
- iii.  $\frac{d}{dx} (e^x) = e^x$
- iv.  $\frac{d}{dx} (\log_n x) = \frac{1}{x \ln n}$
- v.  $\frac{d}{dx} (\ln x) = \frac{1}{x}$
- vi.  $\frac{d}{dx} (\sin x) = \cos x$
- vii.  $\frac{d}{dx} (\cos x) = -\sin x$
- viii.  $\frac{d}{dx} (\tan x) = \sec^2 x$
- ix.  $\frac{d}{dx} (\sec x) = \sec x \cdot \tan x$

(3) Product Rule and Quotient Rule

- i. Product Rule:  $\frac{d}{dx} [f(x) \cdot g(x)] = f'(x)g(x) + f(x)g'(x)$
- ii. Quotient Rule:  $\frac{d}{dx} \left[ \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \right] = \frac{f'(x)g(x) - f(x)g'(x)}{[g(x)]^2}$

(4) Chain Rule: Treat the function as a composite function and differentiate layer by layer.

$$\frac{d}{dx} f(g(h(x))) = f'(g(h(x))) \cdot g'(h(x)) \cdot h'(x)$$

(5) Differentiation in graphics

- i. First derivative  $f'(x) \Rightarrow$  Slope of tangent  $\equiv$  Rate of change. ( $= 0 \Rightarrow$  Critical Point)
- ii. First derivative  $f'(x) \Rightarrow$  Concavity of the function. ( $= 0 \Rightarrow$  Inflection Point)

(6) Implicit Differentiation

Process: Derivative the equation, rearrange the equation into the form  $y'(x) = \dots$

(7) Mean Value Theorem

If  $f(x)$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$  and differentiable on  $(a, b)$ , then there exist  $c$ , s.t.  $f'(c) = \frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a}$ .

(8) Application

- i. Rate of Change: Tangent Slope,  $f'(x) = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x}$
- ii. Linear Approximation:  $f(x) \cong f(a) + f'(a)(x - a)$
- iii. Related Error:  $\frac{\Delta y}{y} \cong \frac{dy}{y}$
- iv. Maximum, Minimum and Optimization

$$\begin{cases} \text{Local Maximum (L.M.)} \\ \text{Local Minimum (L.m.)} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \text{Occur while } f'(x) = 0 \text{ or D.N.E.}$$
$$\begin{cases} \text{Absolute Maximum (A.M.)} \\ \text{Absolute Minimum (A.m.)} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \text{Occur at Local } \begin{pmatrix} \text{Maximum} \\ \text{Minimum} \end{pmatrix} \text{ or End points}$$

Procedure of Optimization:

- [1] Comprehend the question
- [2] List the equation
- [3] Find the A.M. or A.m. (Check 1<sup>st</sup> Derivative and the End Points.)