

MATH 1271 Fall 2011, Midterm #1  
Handout date: Thursday 6 October 2011

PRINT YOUR NAME:

SOLUTIONS

PRINT YOUR TA'S NAME:

WHAT SECTION ARE YOU IN?

Closed book, closed notes, no calculators/PDAs; no reference materials of any kind. Turn off all handheld devices, including cell phones.

Show work; a correct answer, by itself, may be insufficient for credit. Arithmetic need not be simplified, unless the problem requests it.

I understand the above, and I understand that cheating has severe consequences, from a failing grade to expulsion.

SIGN YOUR NAME:

I. Multiple choice

A. (5 pts) (no partial credit) Assume that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 100} (f(x)) = 4$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 200} (g(x)) = 5$ . At most one of the following statements must follow. If one does, circle it. Otherwise, circle Answer e.

(a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 300} [(f(x)) + (g(x))] = 9$

(b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} (f(x)) = 100$

(c)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = 4/5$

(d)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 300} [(f(x)) + (g(x))]$  does not exist

(e) NONE OF THE ABOVE

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B. (5 pts) (no partial credit) Compute  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \left[ \frac{2x^2 - x}{4x^2 + x} \right]$ . Circle one of the following answers:

(a)  $\infty$

(b)  $-\infty$

(c)  $1/2$

(d)  $-1/2$

(e) NONE OF THE ABOVE

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 $\frac{2x^2}{4x^2} = \frac{1}{2} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}$

C. (5 pts) (no partial credit) Compute  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \left[ \frac{\sqrt{4x^4 - x}}{8x^2 + x} \right]$ . Circle one of the following answers:

(a)  $1/4$

(b)  $-1/4$

(c)  $1/2$

(d)  $-1/2$

(e) NONE OF THE ABOVE

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 $\frac{\sqrt{4x^4}}{8x^2} = \frac{2x^2}{8x^2} = \frac{1}{4} \rightarrow \frac{1}{4}$

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D. (5 pts) (no partial credit) Compute  $\ln(e^{-5^2})$ . Circle one of the following answers:

(a) 25

(b) -10

(c) -25

(d) DOES NOT EXIST

(e) NONE OF THE ABOVE

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E. (5 pts) (no partial credit) Compute  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2x^3 + 5x^2}{7x(\sin x)}$ . Circle one of the following answers:

(a) 2/7

(b) 5/7

(c)  $\infty$

(d) 0

(e) NONE OF THE ABOVE

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F. (5 pts) (no partial credit) Compute the largest  $\delta > 0$  such that:  $0 < |x - 1| < \delta$  implies  $|(2x + 4) - 6| < 0.1$ . Circle one of the following answers:

(a) 0.2

(b) 0.1

(c) 0.025

(d) 0.01

(e) NONE OF THE ABOVE

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$$\delta = \frac{0.1}{2} = 0.05$$

II. True or false (no partial credit):

a. (5 pts) If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = \infty$ , then  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x) = \infty$ .

*True*

b. (5 pts) There is a function with three horizontal asymptotes.

*False*

c. (5 pts) If  $f$  and  $g$  are continuous at 3, then  $f + g$  MUST be continuous at 3 as well.

*True*

d. (5 pts) Every polynomial is continuous.

*True*

e. (5 pts) The function  $f(x) = |x|$  is differentiable at 0.

*False*

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VERSION A

I. A,B,C

I. D,E,F

II. a,b,c,d,e

III. 1

III. 2a,b

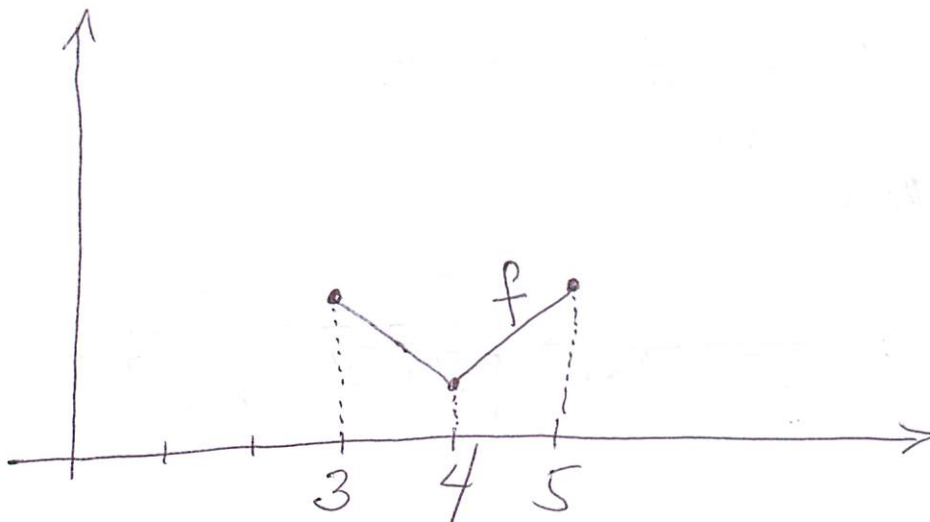
III. 3

III. 4a,b

III. Computations. Show work. Unless otherwise specified, answers must be exactly correct, but can be left in any form easily calculated on a standard calculator.

1. (10 pts) Draw a single graph showing a function  $f : [3, 5] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with *all* of the following properties:

- (•) Its domain is the interval  $[3, 5]$ .
- (•) It is continuous on  $[3, 5]$ .
- (•) It is differentiable on  $(3, 4)$  and on  $(4, 5)$ .
- (•) It is not differentiable at 4.



2. a. (10 pts) Compute  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{7+h} - \sqrt{7-h}}{h}$ .

$$\frac{\sqrt{7+h} - \sqrt{7-h}}{h} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{7+h} + \sqrt{7-h}}{\sqrt{7+h} + \sqrt{7-h}}$$

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$$\frac{\cancel{7+h} - \cancel{7+h}}{h} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{7+h} + \sqrt{7-h}}$$

//  $h \neq 0$

$$\frac{2}{\sqrt{7+h} + \sqrt{7-h}} \xrightarrow{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2}{\sqrt{7} + \sqrt{7}} = \frac{2}{2\sqrt{7}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{7}}$$

b. (5 pts) Compute  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{x+h} - \sqrt{x-h}}{h}$ .

replace 7  $\rightarrow$  x above

Answer:  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$

3. (10 pts) Compute  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} (\sqrt{x^2 + 4x} - \sqrt{x^2 - 5x})$ .

$$\frac{\sqrt{x^2 + 4x} - \sqrt{x^2 - 5x}}{1} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + 4x} + \sqrt{x^2 - 5x}}{\sqrt{x^2 + 4x} + \sqrt{x^2 - 5x}}$$

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$$\frac{x^2 + 4x - x^2 + 5x}{\sqrt{x^2 + 4x} + \sqrt{x^2 - 5x}}$$

//  $x < 0$

$$\frac{9x}{\sqrt{x^2 + 4x} + \sqrt{x^2 - 5x}} \cdot \frac{-1/x}{+1/\sqrt{x^2}}$$

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$$\frac{-9}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{4}{x}} + \sqrt{1 - \frac{5}{x}}} \xrightarrow{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{-9}{\sqrt{1} + \sqrt{1}}$$

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$$-\frac{9}{2}$$

4. On the planet of Gallifrey, in an alternate universe, a dropped object travels  $t^3$  feet during its first  $t$  seconds of free fall.

a. (5 pts) For  $h \neq 0$ , the average velocity between time  $t = 2$  seconds and time  $t = 2 + h$  seconds is given by a quadratic polynomial in  $h$  of the form  $ah^2 + bh + c$ . Find the coefficients  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$ .

$$\frac{(2+h)^3 - 2^3}{h} = \frac{\cancel{2^3} + 3 \cdot 2^2 \cdot h + 3 \cdot 2 \cdot h^2 + h^3 - \cancel{2^3}}{h}$$

$$= \frac{12h + 6h^2 + h^3}{h} \stackrel{h \neq 0}{=} 12 + 6h + h^2$$

$$h^2 + 6h + 12 \text{ ft/sec}$$

$$a=1 \quad b=6 \quad c=12$$

b. (5 pts) Find the instantaneous velocity at time  $t = 2$  seconds.

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} (h^2 + 6h + 12) = 12 \text{ ft/sec}$$