

MATH 1A MIDTERM 1 (001) 12.10PM - 1PM
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This exam consists of 5 questions. Answer the questions in the spaces provided.

1. Determine the domains of the following functions:

(a) (15 points)

$$\sqrt[4]{\frac{x+1}{x+4}}$$

Solution:

$$\begin{array}{l} x+1 \geq 0 \\ x+4 > 0 \end{array} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} x \geq -1 \\ x > -4 \end{array} \Rightarrow x \geq -1$$

$$\begin{array}{l} x+1 \leq 0 \\ x+4 < 0 \end{array} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} x \leq -1 \\ x < -4 \end{array} \Rightarrow x < -4$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Domain is } (-\infty, -4) \cup [-1, \infty)$$

(b) (10 points)

$$\arcsin(3 - 2x)$$

Solution:

Domain of $\arcsin(x)$ is $[-1, 1]$

$$-1 \leq 3 - 2x \leq 1 \Leftrightarrow -4 \leq -2x \leq -2 \Leftrightarrow 2 \geq x \geq 1$$

\Rightarrow Domain is $[1, 2]$

2. (a) (15 points) Describe in words, how, starting with the graph $y = \cos(3x)$, one can draw the graph

$$y = 1 - \cos(x - \pi).$$

Solution:

$$f(x) = \cos(3x) \Rightarrow f\left(\frac{1}{3}x\right) = \cos(x) \Rightarrow f\left(\frac{1}{3}(x-\pi)\right) = \cos(x-\pi)$$

$$\Rightarrow -f\left(\frac{1}{3}(x-\pi)\right) = -\cos(x-\pi) \Rightarrow 1 - f\left(\frac{1}{3}(x-\pi)\right) = 1 - \cos(x-\pi)$$

1/ Stretch horizontally by factor 3.

2/ Shift to right by π .

3/ Reflected in x -axis.

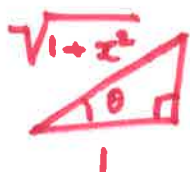
4/ Shift up by 1.

- (b) (10 points) Express the following as an algebraic function:

$$\cos(\arctan(x))$$

Solution:

$$\theta = \arctan(x) \Rightarrow x = \tan \theta \Rightarrow \tan \theta = \frac{x}{1}$$



$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x^2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos(\arctan(x)) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x^2}}$$

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3. (25 points) Calculate (using the limit laws) the following limits. If a limit does not exist determine if it is ∞ , $-\infty$ or neither.

(a)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (e^{x^2+x} + x^2 + 1)$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (e^{(x^2+x)} + x^2 + 1) \\ &= e^{\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (x^2+x)} + \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (x^2 + 1) \\ &= e^0 + 1 = 2 \end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} \frac{x^2 - 9}{x^2 + 2x - 3}$$

Solution:

$$\frac{x^2 - 9}{x^2 + 2x - 3} = \frac{(x+3)(x-3)}{(x+3)(x-1)}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} (x+3) = 4, \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} (x-3) = -2$$

$$x-1 \rightarrow 0^+ \quad \text{as } x \rightarrow 1^+ \quad \Rightarrow \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} \frac{x^2 - 9}{x^2 + 2x - 3} = -\infty$$

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(c)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\ln(3+x) - \ln(1+x))$$

Solution:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\ln(3+x) - \ln(1+x)) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \ln\left(\frac{3+x}{1+x}\right)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3+x}{1+x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{3}{x} + 1}{\frac{1}{x} + 1} = \frac{1}{1} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\ln(3+x) - \ln(1+x)) = \ln(1) = 0$$

(d)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{x^4 - 9}{x^3 + 7}$$

Solution:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{x^4 - 9}{x^3 + 7} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{1 - \frac{9}{x^4}}{\frac{1}{x} + \frac{7}{x^4}}$$

$$1 - \frac{9}{x^4} \rightarrow 1 \text{ as } x \rightarrow -\infty$$

$$\frac{1}{x} + \frac{7}{x^4} \rightarrow 0^+ \text{ as } x \rightarrow -\infty$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{x^4 - 9}{x^3 + 7} = -\infty$$

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4. (a) (20 points) Prove, using ϵ, δ methods, that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{2x^2 - x - 1}{x - 1} = 3.$$

Hint: First simplify the function when $x \neq 1$.

Solution:

$$x \neq 1 \Rightarrow \frac{2x^2 - x - 1}{x - 1} = \frac{(2x + 1)(x - 1)}{(x - 1)} = 2x + 1$$

Must prove $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (2x + 1) = 3$

Let $\epsilon > 0$. $|(2x + 1) - 3| < \epsilon \Leftrightarrow |2x - 2| < \epsilon$

$\Leftrightarrow |x - 1| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$.

If $\delta = \frac{\epsilon}{2}$ then $0 < |x - 1| < \delta \Rightarrow$

$$\left| \frac{2x^2 - x - 1}{x - 1} - 3 \right| < \epsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{2x^2 - x - 1}{x - 1} = 3$$

- (b) (5 points) Is $\frac{2x^2 - x - 1}{x - 1}$ differentiable at $x = 1$?

Solution:

No, it is not defined at $x = 1$.

5. (a) (15 points) Using the direct definition of the derivative to calculate the derivative of the function

$$f(x) = x^{3/2}.$$

What is the domain of the $f'(x)$?

Solution:

$(x > 0)$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x+h)^{3/2} - x^{3/2}}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{((x+h)^{3/2} - x^{3/2})(x+h)^{3/2} + x^{3/2}}{h((x+h)^{3/2} + x^{3/2})} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x+h)^3 - x^3}{h((x+h)^{3/2} + x^{3/2})} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{3x^2 + 3xh + h^2}{(x+h)^{3/2} + x^{3/2}} \\ &= \frac{3x^2}{2x^{3/2}} = \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{x} \end{aligned}$$

Domain is $(0, \infty)$ ($x=0$ is an endpoint of domain of $f(x)$ so $f'(0)$ DNE)

- (b) (10 points) Show that the line $y = 3x + 2$ is not a tangent line to some point on the graph $y = f(x)$.

Solution:

$$f'(x) = 3 \Leftrightarrow \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{x} = 3 \Rightarrow \sqrt{x} = 2 \Leftrightarrow x = 4$$

$(4, 8)$ is not on $y = 3x + 2 \Rightarrow$

$y = 3x + 2$ is not a tangent line.

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