

**MATH 5A - TEST 1 v2**  
**(CHAPTER 1.4-1.8, 2.1i, 3.4i and ii)**

100 points

NAME: Solutions

**YOU MUST SHOW YOUR WORK. PRESENTATION COUNTS, use words to explain the processes.**  
**Phones must be OFF and put away. No graphing calculators allowed. No scratch paper allowed.**

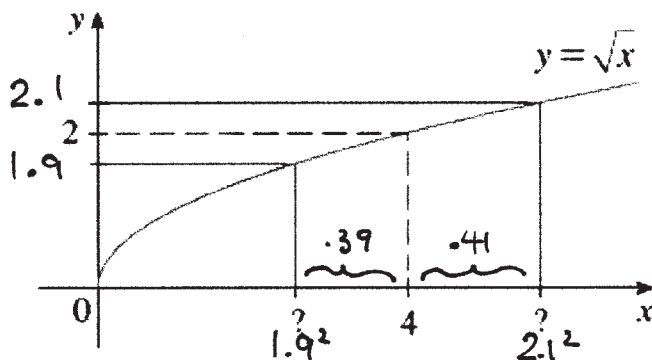
FILL IN THE BLANKS WITH MOST APPROPRIATE ANSWER: (2 points each)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} \quad \text{or} \quad \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h}$$

(1) Give either form of the difference quotient definition of  $f'(a)$  \_\_\_\_\_

(2) True or False:  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \tan(x) = \tan(a)$  for all values of  $a$ . No. Not true where  $\tan x$  discants like at  $a = \pi/2$

(3) For  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$ , find the number delta corresponding to an epsilon of  $\epsilon = 0.1$  so that  $0 < |x - 4| < \delta$  then  $|f(x) - 2| < \epsilon$ . Use the graph if desired. (4 points)



$$\delta = 0.39$$

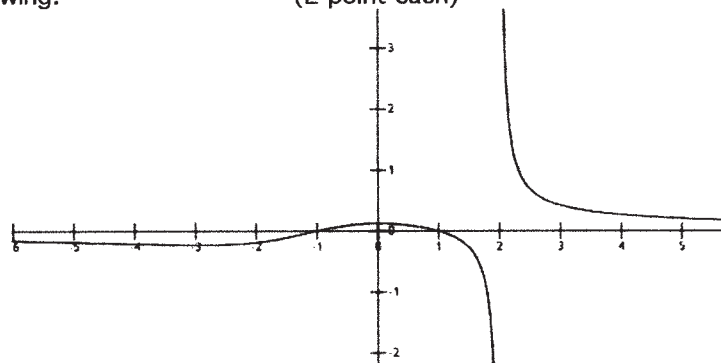
(4) Use the given graph of  $f(x)$  to find each of the following. (if the limit is  $\infty$  or  $-\infty$  say so.)

a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \underline{0}$

b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x) = \underline{-\infty}$

b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x) = \underline{\infty}$

(2 point each)



(5) Suppose you are trying to prove  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (3x - 7) = -4$ . Given  $\epsilon > 0$  what value must  $\delta$  be in order to satisfy the definition of limit? (No need to show formal proof) (4 points)

$$\begin{aligned} 0 < |x - a| < \delta &\Rightarrow |f(x) - L| < \epsilon \\ |x - 1| < \delta &\Rightarrow |3x - 7 - (-4)| < \epsilon \\ |3x - 3| < \epsilon \\ |x - 1| < \frac{\epsilon}{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\delta = \frac{\epsilon}{3}$$

(6) (a) Give the formal/rigorous definition for  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x) = L$

(9 points)

For every  $\epsilon > 0$  there is a  $\delta > 0$  such that  
if  $a < x < a + \delta$  then  $|f(x) - L| < \epsilon$

(b) Give the formal/rigorous definition for  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = -\infty$

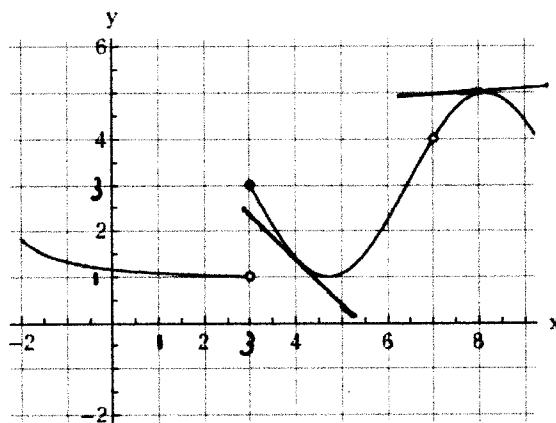
For every  $M < 0$  there is a  $\delta > 0$  such that  
if  $0 < |x - a| < \delta$  then  $f(x) < M$

(c) Give the formal/rigorous definition for  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \infty$

For every  $M > 0$  there is an  $N > 0$  such that  
if  $x > N$  then  $f(x) > M$

(7) Given the graph of  $f(x)$  below, state the value of the following limits if they exist

(1 points each)



(a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} f(x) = \underline{1}$

(e)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 7} f(x) = \underline{4}$

(b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} f(x) = \underline{3}$

(f) Approximate  $f'(4) \approx \underline{-1}$

(c)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x) = \underline{DNE}$

(g) Approximate  $f'(8) \approx \underline{0}$

(d)  $f(3) = \underline{3}$

(h) find  $c$  so that  $f(c) = 5 \underline{8}$

(8) Evaluate the following limits if they exist (if the limit is  $\infty$  or  $-\infty$  say so.). No proof or detailed steps necessary, but do show work. (4 points each)

(a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \sqrt[3]{5+x^5} = -3$

$\sqrt[3]{5+(-2)^5} = \sqrt[3]{-27}$

(b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x-3}{x^2-9} = \frac{1}{6}$

$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x-3}{(x-3)(x+3)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{1}{x+3} = \frac{1}{6}$

(c)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 16} \frac{16-x}{\sqrt{x}-4} = -8$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 16} \frac{16-x}{\sqrt{x}-4} \frac{\sqrt{x}+4}{\sqrt{x}+4} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 16} \frac{(16-x)(\sqrt{x}+4)}{x-16}$

$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 16} (-1)(\sqrt{x}+4) = -8$

(d)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{x-5}{x(x-4)} = \infty$

$\frac{-1}{4 \cdot 0} \rightarrow +$   
neg

(e) If  $f(x) = \begin{cases} 3-x^2 & \text{if } x < 2 \\ x^4-1 & \text{if } x \geq 2 \end{cases}$  find

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x) = 15$      $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x) = -1$      $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = \text{dne}$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} x^4-1$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} (3-x^2)$

(f)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{4x}{\sqrt{x^2-7}} = -4$

(Show details) since  $\sqrt{\frac{1}{x^2}} = \frac{1}{|x|} = \frac{1}{-x}$  when  $x < 0$  (here  $x \rightarrow -\infty$ )

$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{4x}{\sqrt{x^2-7}} \frac{1/\sqrt{x^2}}{1/\sqrt{x^2}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{4 \cdot x \cdot \frac{1}{-x}}{\sqrt{1-7/x^2}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{-4}{\sqrt{1-7/x^2}} = -4$

(9) Prove that there is at least one solution to the equation  $\cos x = x$  (4 points)

Hint: If you are going to use a theorem, name the theorem and verify any hypotheses are satisfied.

Proof Consider  $f(x) = \cos x - x$ . Showing  $f(x)$  has a zero is equivalent to showing  $\cos x = x$  has a solution.

Since  $f(x)$  is continuous, with  $f(0) = 1 > 0$  and  $f(\frac{\pi}{2}) = -\frac{\pi}{2} < 0$ , by the intermediate value theorem there exists a value  $c \in (-\frac{\pi}{2}, 0)$  such that  $f(c) = 0$ .

$\therefore$  There is a solution to  $\cos x = x$   $\blacksquare$

(10) For what values of  $x$  are the following functions continuous? Show work. (4 points each)

a)  $f(x) = \frac{2x+3}{\sin x - 1}$

b)  $f(x) = \sqrt{x^2 - x - 6}$

c)  $f(x) = \begin{cases} 5x+2 & \text{if } x > 0 \\ \sqrt{4-x} & \text{if } x \leq 0 \end{cases}$

Continuous on domain,  
Just find domain.

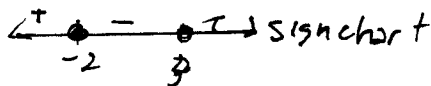
a) denom  $\neq 0 \Rightarrow$   
 $\sin x - 1 \neq 0$   
 $\sin x \neq 1$   
 $x \neq \frac{\pi}{2} + 2\pi k$

$f(x)$  is conts for all  
 $x$  except  $\frac{\pi}{2} + 2\pi k$ ,  
 $k$  integer.

b) radicand  $\geq 0$

$$x^2 - x - 6 \geq 0$$

$$(x-3)(x+2) \geq 0$$



$f(x)$  conts on  
 $(-\infty, -2] \cup [3, \infty)$

c) Conts for all  $x$  except  
possibly  $x=0$ . Check  $x=0$ .

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = 2 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x)$$

Since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = f(0)$ ,  
 $f$  conts. at  $x=0$  also.

$\therefore f$  conts. on  $(-\infty, \infty)$

(11) The displacement (in meters) of an object moving in a straight line is given by  $s = t^2 - 3t$ , where  $t$  is measured in seconds.

(a) find the average velocity over the time period  $[4, 5]$  (2 pts.)

(b) using methods discussed in this class, find the instantaneous velocity when  $t=4$ . (7 pts)

Answer should have the appropriate units.

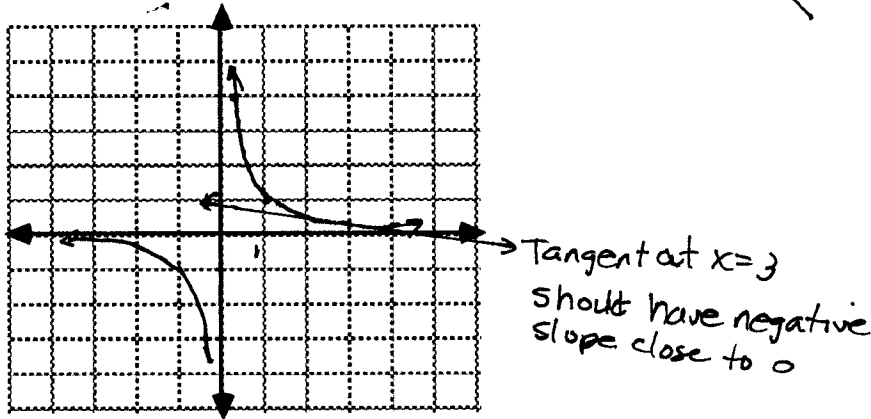
a)  $V_{ave} [4, 5] = \frac{s(5) - s(4)}{5 - 4} = \frac{10 - 4}{1} = 6 \text{ m/sec}$

units!

b) Instantaneous velocity at  $t=4 = s'(4) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 4} \frac{s(t) - s(4)}{t - 4} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 4} \frac{t^2 - 3t - 4}{t - 4} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 4} (t+1) = 5 \text{ m/sec}$

(12) Using methods discussed in class,

- a) Use an appropriate form of the definition of the derivative to compute  $f'(a)$  if  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ . (6 pts)
- b) Use the results of part (a) to find the slope of the tangent line at  $x = -1, 1/2,$  and  $3$ . (3 pts)
- c) Sketch a graph of  $f(x)$  and the tangent line at  $x=3$ . Based on your graph, Is your answer in part (b) reasonable? Explain. (4 pts)
- d) Find the equation of the tangent line at  $x=3$ . (3 pts)



$$a) f'(a) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{a}}{x - a} = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{\frac{a - x}{ax}}{x - a} = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{a - x}{ax(x - a)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{-1}{ax} = -\frac{1}{a^2}$$

$$f'(a) = -\frac{1}{a^2} \quad (\text{note, not } -\frac{1}{x^2})$$

$$b) f'(-1) = -1$$

$$f'(1/2) = -4$$

$$f'(3) = -1/9$$

(c) Explanation:

← Reasonable since tangent line decreasing and relatively flat.

$$d) \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Point } (3, f(3)) = (3, \frac{1}{3}) \\ \text{Slope } f'(3) = -\frac{1}{9} \end{array} \right\} \text{ Tangent line is } y - \frac{1}{3} = -\frac{1}{9}(x - 3)$$

or

$$x + 9y = 6$$