

Exam 2
Form A

Multiple Choice Questions

1. Suppose that $f(x) = \begin{cases} x + 2 & \text{if } x \leq 2 \\ Ax + B & \text{if } 2 < x \leq 4 \\ 7x - 12 & \text{if } x > 4 \end{cases}$

Find the values of A and B which make $f(x)$ continuous everywhere.

- A. $A = 6, B = 8$
- B. $A = -6, B = 8$
- C. $A = 6, B = -8$**
- D. $A = -6, B = -8$
- E. There is no solution.

Solution: We need $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = f(a)$ at both $a = 2$ and $a = 4$. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x) = 2 + 2 = 4$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x) = 2A + B$ so we must have that $2A + B = 4$.

Likewise at $x = 4$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4^-} f(x) = 4A + B$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4^+} f(x) = 7 \cdot 4 - 12 = 16$. This gives us two equations in two unknowns in which we can solve for A and B .

$$2A + B = 4$$

$$4A + B = 16$$

$$2A = 12$$

$$A = 6$$

$$2 \cdot 6 + B = 4$$

$$B = -8$$

Thus, $A = 6$ and $B = -8$.

2. Find the horizontal asymptotes of $f(x) = \frac{e^x}{1 + e^x}$.

- A. $y = 0$
- B. $y = 1$
- C. $y = 1/2$
- D. $y = 0$ and $y = 1$**
- E. $y = -1$

Solution: We need to find $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x)$.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^x}{1 + e^x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^x e^{-x}}{1 + e^x e^{-x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{e^{-x} + 1} = 1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{e^x}{1 + e^x} = \frac{0}{1 + 0} = 0$$

Thus, there are two horizontal asymptotes: $y = 1$ and $y = 0$.

3. Which of the following statements is true if $f(x)$ is defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \sin x & \text{if } x \leq -\pi/4 \\ \cos x & \text{if } x > -\pi/4 \end{cases}$$

- A. $f(x)$ is continuous at $x = -\pi/4$.
- B. $f(x)$ has a jump discontinuity at $x = -\pi/4$.**
- C. $f(x)$ has an infinite discontinuity at $x = -\pi/4$.
- D. $f(x)$ is not defined at $x = -\pi/4$.
- E. There is not enough information to determine the continuity of $f(x)$ at $x = -\pi/4$.

Solution: Checking $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\pi/4} \sin x = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\pi/4} \cos x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$. Thus, both limits exist but are not equal. This means that $f(x)$ has a jump discontinuity at $x = -\pi/4$.

4. Suppose that f is a continuous function on the interval $[0, 5]$ and we know that

$$f(0) = 1, f(1) = -1, f(2) = 1, f(3) = -1, f(4) = 1, \text{ and } f(5) = -1.$$

Which of the following statements are true for any such f ?

- A. There are at least five solutions of the equation $f(x) = 0$ in the interval $[0, 5]$.
- B. There are at most five solutions of the equation $f(x) = 0$ in the interval $[0, 5]$.
- C. There are exactly five solutions of the equation $f(x) = 0$ in the interval $[0, 5]$.
- D. The equation $f(x) = -1$ has at most three solutions in the interval $[0, 5]$.
- E. The equation $f(x) = 1$ has exactly three solutions in the interval $[0, 5]$.

Solution: The function changes sign 5 times on the interval $[0, 5]$. Thus, by the Intermediate Value Theorem there must be at least five solutions to $f(x) = 0$ in that interval.

5. Find a formula for $\frac{dy}{dx}$ in terms of x and y , where $x^2 + xy + y^2 = 1$.

- A. $\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{2x + y}{x + y}$
- B. $\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{2x}{x + 2y}$
- C. $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2x + y}{x + 2y}$
- D. $\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{2x + y}{2y}$
- E. $\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{2x + y}{x + 2y}$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 + xy + y^2 &= 1 \\ 2x + \left(y + x\frac{dy}{dx}\right) + 2y\frac{dy}{dx} &= 0 \\ (x + 2y)\frac{dy}{dx} &= -2x - y \\ \frac{dy}{dx} &= -\frac{2x + y}{x + 2y} \end{aligned}$$

6. Find all values of x where $f'''(x) = 0$ when $f(x) = xe^{2x}$.
- A. $x = 3/2$
 - B. $x = 2/3$
 - C. $x = -3/2$**
 - D. $x = -2/3$
 - E. $x = -1$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}f(x) &= xe^{2x} \\f'(x) &= e^{2x} + 2xe^{2x} \\f''(x) &= 2e^{2x} + 2e^{2x} + 4xe^{2x} = 4e^{2x} + 4xe^{2x} \\f'''(x) &= 8e^{2x} + 4e^{2x} + 8xe^{2x} = (12 + 8x)e^{2x}\end{aligned}$$

Setting $f'''(x) = 0$ gives $(12 + 8x)e^{2x} = 0$ which means $12 + 8x = 0$ giving us that $x = -3/2$.

7. Find $f'(x)$ in terms of $g'(x)$ where $f(x) = [g(x)]^4$.
- A. $f'(x) = 4[g(x)]^3$
 - B. $f'(x) = 4[g(x)]^3g'(x)$**
 - C. $f'(x) = 4[g'(x)]^3$
 - D. $f'(x) = 4[gx]^3[xg' + g]$
 - E. $f'(x) = 4g'(x)$

Solution: From the Chain Rule,

$$f'(x) = 4[g(x)]^3g'(x).$$

8. Find the derivative of $g(t) = \tan(\cos(2t))$.

- A. $g'(t) = 2 \sin(2t) \sec^2(\cos(2t))$
- B. $g'(t) = \sin(2t) \sec^2(\cos(2t))$
- C. $g'(t) = -\sin(2t) \sec^2(\cos(2t))$
- D. $g'(t) = -2 \sin(2t) \sec^2(\cos(2t))$**
- E. $g'(t) = -2 \sec^2(\sin(2t))$

Solution: This is again using the Chain Rule.

$$g'(t) = \sec^2(\cos(2t))(-\sin(2t))(2) = -2 \sin(2t) \sec^2(\cos(2t)).$$

9. Find the derivative of

$$g(x) = x^5 \ln(9x).$$

- A. $g'(x) = x^4(1 + 5 \ln(9x))$**
- B. $g'(x) = 1 + \frac{\ln(9x)}{9x}$
- C. $g'(x) = x^4 \left(\frac{1}{9} + 5 \ln(9x) \right)$
- D. $g'(x) = \frac{5}{9}x^3$
- E. $g'(x) = x^4(5 \ln(9x) - 1)$

Solution: This is the Product Rule.

$$g'(x) = 5x^4 \ln(9x) + x^5 \frac{1}{9x} (9) = 5x^4 \ln(9x) + x^4 = x^4(1 + 5 \ln(9x)).$$

10. Differentiate

$$f(x) = \frac{x^6}{1 - x^5}$$

A. $f'(x) = \frac{6x^5}{1 - 5x^4}$

B. $f'(x) = \frac{(x^5 - 1)^2}{x^5(6x - 5)}$

C. $f'(x) = \frac{x^5(6x - 5)}{(1 - x^5)^2}$

D. $f'(x) = \frac{x^5(1 - x^5)}{(6 - x^5)^2}$

E. $f'(x) = \frac{x^5(6 - x^5)}{(1 - x^5)^2}$

Solution: This is the Quotient Rule.

$$f'(x) = \frac{(1 - x^5)6x^5 - x^6(-5x^4)}{(1 - x^5)^2} = \frac{6x^5 - 6x^{10} + 5x^{10}}{(1 - x^5)^2} = \frac{x^5(6 - x^5)}{(1 - x^5)^2}.$$

11. Suppose that $F(x) = f(g(x))$ and $g(14) = 2$, $g'(14) = 5$, $f'(14) = 15$, and $f'(2) = 11$. Find $F'(14)$

A. $F'(14) = 140$

B. $F'(14) = 55$

C. $F'(14) = 24$

D. $F'(14) = 20$

E. $F'(14) = 17$

Solution: From the Chain Rule, $F'(x) = f'(g(x))g'(x)$, so

$$F'(14) = f'(g(14))g'(14) = f'(2)g'(14) = 11 \times 5 = 55.$$

12. If f and g are continuous functions with $f(9) = 6$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 9} [2f(x) - g(x)] = 9$, find $g(9)$.

- A. $g(9) = 21$
- B. $g(9) = 24$
- C. $g(9) = 3$**
- D. $g(9) = 15$
- E. $g(9) = 12$

Solution: We are given that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 9} [2f(x) - g(x)] = 9$. Since f and g are continuous and $f(9) = 6$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 9} [2f(x) - g(x)] &= 9 \\ 2 \lim_{x \rightarrow 9} f(x) - \lim_{x \rightarrow 9} g(x) &= 9 \\ 2f(9) - g(9) &= 9 \\ 12 - g(9) &= 9 \\ g(9) &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

Free Response Questions

13. Find the derivatives of the following functions.

(a) $f(x) = \ln(\cos(2x))$.

Solution: By the Chain Rule

$$f'(x) = \frac{\cos(2x)}{-\sin(2x)}(2) = -\frac{2 \sin(2x)}{\cos(2x)} = -2 \tan(2x).$$

(b) $g(x) = \frac{4}{x^5} - \frac{8}{x^4} - \frac{3}{x^3} + 700$.

Solution: First, rewrite $g(x)$.

$$\begin{aligned} g(x) &= 4x^{-5} - 8x^{-4} - 3x^{-3} + 700 \\ g'(x) &= -20x^{-6} + 32x^{-5} + 9x^{-4} \\ &= -\frac{20}{x^6} + \frac{32}{x^5} + \frac{9}{x^4} \end{aligned}$$

(c) $h(x) = 4 \ln(x^2 e^x)$.

Solution: First, rewrite $h(x)$.

$$\begin{aligned} h(x) &= 4 \left(\ln(x^2) + \ln(e^x) \right) \\ &= 8 \ln x + x \\ h'(x) &= \frac{8}{x} + 1 \end{aligned}$$

14. (a) Find the equation of the tangent line to $2xy^2 - 5x^2y + 192 = 0$ at the point $(4, 4)$.

Solution: We need to find $\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{(4,4)}$.

$$\begin{aligned} 2xy^2 - 5x^2y + 192 &= 0 \\ 2y^2 + 4xy \frac{dy}{dx} - 10xy - 5x^2 \frac{dy}{dx} &= 0 \\ (4xy - 5x^2) \frac{dy}{dx} &= 10xy - 2y^2 \\ \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{10xy - 2y^2}{4xy - 5x^2} \end{aligned}$$

Now,

$$\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{(4,4)} = \frac{10(4)(4) - 2(4)^2}{4(4)(4) - 5(4)^2} = -8$$

So the equation of the tangent line is

$$y = 4 - 8(x - 4).$$

- (b) Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(3x)}{7x}$

Solution:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(3x)}{7x} = \frac{3}{7} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(3x)}{3x} = \frac{3}{7} \times 1 = \frac{3}{7}.$$

15. Let $f(x) = \frac{x^2}{x+6}$.

(a) Find the derivative $f'(x)$.

Solution: This is the Quotient Rule.

$$f'(x) = \frac{(x+6)(2x) - x^2(1)}{(x+6)^2} = \frac{x^2 + 12x}{(x+6)^2}.$$

(b) Find the equation of the tangent line to $f(x)$ at the point where $x = 4$.

Solution: We need $f(4)$ and $f'(4)$. $f(4) = \frac{16}{10} = \frac{8}{5}$. Meanwhile,

$$f'(4) = \frac{16 + 48}{100} = \frac{16}{25}.$$

The equation of the tangent line is then

$$y - \frac{8}{5} = \frac{16}{25}(x - 4).$$

16. This problem concerns the definition of the derivative using limits.

- (a) State the formal definition of the derivative of a function $f(x)$ at the point $x = a$.
Hint: Your definition should involve a limit.

Solution: The derivative of the function $f(x)$ at the point $x = a$ is

$$f'(a) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} = \lim_{s \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a}$$

if this limit exists.

- (b) **Using the formal definition of derivative and the limit laws**, find the derivative of the function $f(x) = 2x^2 - 1$. An answer that is unsupported or uses differentiation rules will receive **no credit**.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} f'(a) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2(a+h)^2 - 1 - (2a^2 - 1)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2a^2 + 4ah + 2h^2 - 1 - 2a^2 + 1}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{4ah + 2h^2}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 4a + 2h \\ f'(a) &= 4a \end{aligned}$$