

MATH 1300-MIDTERM-2004

NAME and I.D.# Solutions - Version 1

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Multiple Choice Section-Question 1-

Consider the following function:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 - x + 1 & \text{if } x < 4 \\ ax^2 + 2x - 3 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

What value must the constant a be for the function to be continuous at $x = 4$?

- A) $\frac{1}{3}$ B) $\frac{1}{2}$ C) $\frac{1}{4}$ D) $\frac{1}{2}$ E) $\frac{2}{3}$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 4^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 4^-} x^2 - x + 1 = 13$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 4^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 4^+} ax^2 + 2x - 3 = 16a + 5$$

So we must have $13 = 16a + 5$. So $a = \frac{1}{2}$

Question 2- Find the equation of the tangent line of the function $f(x) = (x^3 + 7)^{\frac{2}{3}}$ at $x = 1$.

A) $y = \frac{x}{3} + \frac{11}{3}$ B) $y = \frac{x}{4} + \frac{15}{4}$ C) $y = \frac{x}{2} + \frac{7}{2}$

D) $y = 2x + 2$ E) $y = x + 3$

$$f'(x) = \frac{2}{3} (x^3 + 7)^{-\frac{1}{3}} \cdot 3x^2 \quad f'(1) = \frac{2}{3} \cdot (8)^{-\frac{1}{3}} \cdot 3 = \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot 3 = 1$$

The point $(1, 4)$ is on the line, so $y = 1x + b$

$$4 = 1 \cdot 1 + b \quad \text{or } b = 3.$$

So $y = x + 3$

Question 3-

Calculate:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x-1}{\sqrt{x}-1}$$

- A) The limit does not exist. B) 2 C) 3 D) 4 E) 5

$$\frac{x-1}{\sqrt{x}-1} = \frac{x-1}{\sqrt{x}-1} \cdot \frac{(\sqrt{x}+1)}{(\sqrt{x}+1)} = \frac{x-1(\sqrt{x}+1)}{x-1} = \sqrt{x}+1$$

$$\text{So } \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x-1}{\sqrt{x}-1} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \sqrt{x}+1 = 2$$

Question 4-Solve

$$16^{x+2} = 64^{2x-1}$$

- A) $x = \frac{2}{3}$ B) $x = \frac{2}{5}$ C) $x = \frac{7}{4}$ D) $x = \frac{3}{8}$ E) $x = \frac{3}{4}$

$$16^{x+2} = (2^4)^{x+2} = 2^{4x+8}$$

$$64^{2x-1} = (2^6)^{2x-1} = 2^{12x-6}$$

$$\text{So we have } 4x+8 = 12x-6$$

$$14 = 8x$$

$$x = \frac{7}{4}$$

Question 5

Let $f(x) = x + \frac{3}{2-4x}$. Find $f'(x)$ at $x = 0$.

- A) 1 B) 2 C) 3 D) 4 E) 5

$$f'(x) = 1 + \frac{3(-1)(-4)}{(2-4x)^2}$$

$$f'(0) = 1 + \frac{3(4)}{4} = 4$$

$$f(x) = x + 3(2-4x)^{-1}$$

Question 6 Solve the following inequality:

$$|2x - 1| < 3$$

- A) $(-\infty, -1)$ and $(2, \infty)$ and $(1, \infty)$ B) $(-1, 4)$ C) $(-2, 1)$ D) $(-1, 2)$ E) $(-\infty, -2)$

$$|2x - 1| < 3$$

$$-3 < 2x - 1 < 3$$

$$-2 < 2x < 4$$

$$-1 < x < 2$$

$$\text{So } x \in (-1, 2)$$

Long Answer Questions-Question 1 (12 points)

The population of a certain country t years from now is given by $P(t) = 50e^{.2t}$ million.

- (2 points) What is the population now (the initial population)?
- (5 points) How long will it take for the population to double?
- (5 points) How long will it take for the population to triple?

1) Initial Population = $P_0 = P(0) = 50e^0$ million
 $= 50$ million

2) We must solve $P(t) = 100$ million
for t .

$$100 \text{ million} = 50 \del{e^{.2t}} e^{.2t} \text{ million}$$

$$2 = e^{.2t}$$

$$\ln(2) = .2t \Rightarrow t = 5 \ln(2)$$

3) Similarly, to triple $t = 5 \ln(3)$

Question 2 (12 points)

- (4 points) Let $f(x)$ be a function. State the definition of the *derivative* of $f(x)$ in terms of limits.
- (8 points) Using only the definition of derivative in terms of limits, calculate the derivative of $f(x) = x^2 + 3x$.

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

• If $f(x) = x^2 + 3x$, then

$$f'(x) = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x+\Delta x)^2 + 3(x+\Delta x) - x^2 - 3x}{\Delta x}$$

$$= \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 + 2x\Delta x + \Delta x^2 + 3x + 3\Delta x - x^2 - 3x}{\Delta x}$$

$$= \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2x\Delta x + \Delta x^2 + 3\Delta x}{\Delta x}$$

$$= \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} 2x + \Delta x + 3 = 2x + 3$$

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- A) $\frac{1}{3}$ B) $\frac{1}{2}$ C) $\frac{1}{4}$ D) $\frac{1}{2}$ E) $\frac{2}{3}$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} x^2 - x = 6$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} ax^2 + 2x - 3 = 9a + 3$$

$$\text{So } 6 = 9a + 3 \text{ or } a = \frac{1}{3}$$

Question 2- Find the equation of the tangent line of the function $f(x) = (2x+7)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ at $x = 1$.

A) $y = \frac{x}{3} + \frac{8}{3}$ B) $y = \frac{x}{4} + \frac{11}{4}$ C) $y = \frac{x}{2} + \frac{5}{2}$

D) $y = -x + 4$ E) $y = \frac{2x}{3} + \frac{7}{3}$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2} (2x+7)^{-\frac{1}{2}} (2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2x+7}} \quad f'(1) = \frac{1}{3}$$

So $y = mx + b = \frac{1}{3}x + b$. The point $(1, 3)$ is on the

line, so $3 = \frac{1}{3}(1) + b$, or $b = \frac{8}{3}$.

$$\text{So } \boxed{y = \frac{1}{3}x + \frac{8}{3}}$$

Question 3-

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$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{x-4}{\sqrt{x}-2}$$

- A) The limit does not exist. B) 2 C) 3 D) 4 E) 5

$$\frac{x-4}{\sqrt{x}-2} = \frac{x-4}{\sqrt{x}-2} \frac{(\sqrt{x}+2)}{(\sqrt{x}+2)} = \frac{x-4}{x-4} (\sqrt{x}+2) = \sqrt{x}+2$$

$$\text{So } \lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{x-4}{\sqrt{x}-2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \sqrt{x}+2 = \textcircled{4}$$

Question 4-Solve

$$16^{-x+1} = 8^x$$

- A) $x = \frac{2}{3}$ B) $x = \frac{4}{7}$ C) $x = \frac{7}{4}$ D) $x = \frac{2}{5}$ E) $x = \frac{3}{4}$

$$16^{-x+1} = (2^4)^{-x+1} = 2^{-4x+4}$$

$$8^x = (2^3)^x = 2^{3x}$$

$$\text{So } -4x+4 = 3x \Rightarrow \textcircled{x = \frac{4}{7}}$$

Question 5

Let $f(x) = x^2 + \frac{3}{2-4x}$. Find $f'(x)$ at $x = 0$.

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$$f'(x) = 2x + \frac{3(-1)(-4)}{(2-4x)^2}$$

$$\text{So } f'(0) = 3$$

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$$|2x+1| < 3 \Rightarrow -3 < 2x+1 < 3 \Rightarrow -4 < 2x < 2$$

$$\Rightarrow -2 < x < 1, \text{ So}$$

$$x \in (-2, 1)$$

Long Answer Questions-Question 1 (12 points)

The population of a certain country t years from now is given by $P(t) = 40e^{.5t}$ million.

- (2 points) What is the population now (the initial population)?
- (5 points) How long will it take for the population to double?
- (5 points) How long will it take for the population to triple?

• Initial Population $= P(0) = 40e^0 = 40$ million

• We must solve $P(t) = 80$ million for t .

$$80 = 40e^{.5t}$$

$$2 = e^{.5t}$$

$$\ln(2) = .5t \Rightarrow t = 2 \ln(2)$$

• Similarly to triple population $t = 2 \ln(3)$

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a If $f(x) = x^2 - 2x$,

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

$$= \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 + 2x\Delta x + \Delta x^2 - 2x - 2\Delta x - x^2 + 2x}{\Delta x}$$

$$= \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2x\Delta x + \Delta x^2 - 2\Delta x}{\Delta x}$$

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