

Math 21A (Fall 2017)
Kouba
Exam 1

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4. Read directions to each problem carefully. Show all work for full credit. In most cases, a correct answer with no supporting work will receive little or no credit. What you write down and how you write it are the most important means of your getting a good score on this exam. Neatness and organization are also important.
5. Make sure that you have 7 pages, including the cover page.
6. You may NOT use L'Hopital's Rule on this exam.
7. You may NOT use the shortcut for finding limits to infinity.
8. Using only a calculator to determine limits will receive little or no credit.
9. You will be graded on proper use of limit notation.
10. You have until 3 p.m. sharp to finish the exam.

1.) (7 pts. each) Determine the following limits.

$$\text{a.) } \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x-2}{x^2+x-6} \stackrel{\text{"0/0"}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{\cancel{x-2}}{(\cancel{x-2})(x+3)} = \frac{1}{5}$$

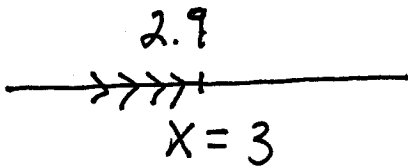
$$\text{b.) } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{x+1} - 1}{\frac{1}{x}} \stackrel{\text{"0/0"}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{x+1} - \frac{x+1}{x+1} \right) \cdot \frac{1}{x}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cancel{1} - \cancel{x} - \cancel{x} - \cancel{1}}{x+1} \cdot \frac{1}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-1}{x+1} = -1$$

$$\text{c.) } \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^{-2}}{x^{-3} + x^{-1}} \stackrel{\text{"0/0"}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{x^2}}{\frac{1}{x^3} + \frac{1}{x}} \cdot \frac{x}{x}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{x}}{\frac{1}{x^2} + 1} = \frac{0}{0+1} = 0$$

$$\text{d.) } \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} \frac{x^2 - 5}{3 - x} = \frac{4}{0^+} = +\infty$$



$$\text{e.) } \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{2 - \sqrt{x+3}}{x-1} \cdot \frac{2 + \sqrt{x+3}}{2 + \sqrt{x+3}}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{"0/0"}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{4 - (x+3)}{(x-1)(2 + \sqrt{x+3})} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{-(\cancel{x-1})}{(\cancel{x-1})(2 + \sqrt{x+3})}$$

$$= \frac{-1}{2+2} = -\frac{1}{4}$$

f.) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^2(\sin x + \sin(1/x))^3$ (HINT: Use the Squeeze Principle.)

$$\begin{aligned}
 & -1 \leq \sin x \leq 1 \text{ and } -1 \leq \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \leq 1 \rightarrow \\
 & -2 \leq \sin x + \sin\frac{1}{x} \leq 2 \rightarrow -8 \leq \left(\sin x + \sin\frac{1}{x}\right)^3 \leq 8 \rightarrow \\
 & -8x^2 \leq x^2 \left(\sin x + \sin\frac{1}{x}\right)^3 \leq 8x^2; \text{ and} \\
 & \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} -8x^2 = 0 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} 8x^2 \text{ so } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^2 \left(\sin x + \sin\frac{1}{x}\right)^3 = 0 \\
 & \text{by the Squeeze Principle.}
 \end{aligned}$$

2.) a.) (6 pts.) Determine the domain for $f(x) = \frac{3}{4 - \sqrt{x-5}}$. We need

$$\begin{aligned}
 & x-5 \geq 0 \rightarrow x \geq 5; \text{ and } 4 - \sqrt{x-5} \neq 0 \rightarrow \\
 & 4 \neq \sqrt{x-5} \rightarrow 16 \neq x-5 \rightarrow x \neq 21; \\
 & \text{Domain: all } x \geq 5 \text{ but } x \neq 21
 \end{aligned}$$

b.) (6 pts.) Determine the range for $f(x) = 3 - 5 \cos x$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & -1 \leq \cos x \leq 1 \rightarrow -5 \leq -5 \cos x \leq 5 \rightarrow \\
 & -2 \leq \underbrace{3 - 5 \cos x}_Y \leq 8, \text{ so range is } \\
 & \qquad \qquad \qquad -2 \leq Y \leq 8
 \end{aligned}$$

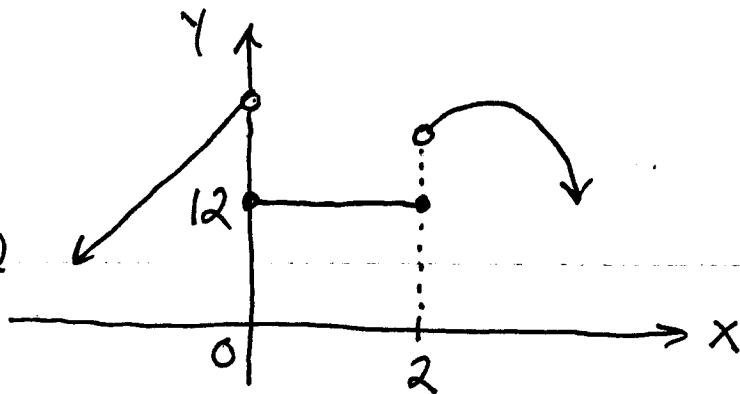
3.) (8 pts.) For what x -values is the following function continuous? Briefly explain.

$$y = \frac{x \ln x}{x^2 - 9}; \quad y = x \text{ and } y = x^2 - 9 \text{ are cont.}$$

for all x -values (polynomials); $y = \ln x$ is cont. for $x > 0$ (well known); then $y = x \ln x$ is cont. for all $x > 0$ (product) and $y = \frac{x \ln x}{x^2 - 9}$ is cont. for all $x > 0$ EXCEPT where $x^2 - 9 = (x-3)(x+3) = 0$, i.e. EXCEPT $x = 3$ and $x = -3$.

4.) (8 pts.) Use limits and a fake graph to determine the value(s) of constants A and B so that the following function is continuous for all values of x :

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} Ax + B, & \text{if } x < 0 \\ 12, & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 2 \\ Bx^2 - A, & \text{if } x > 2. \end{cases}$$



We need

$$\begin{cases} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} (Ax + B) = 12 \text{ and} \\ \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} (Bx^2 - A) = 12 \end{cases} \rightarrow$$

$$\boxed{B = 12} \text{ and } B(4) - A = 12 \rightarrow$$

$$(12)(4) - A = 12 \rightarrow A = 48 - 12 \rightarrow$$

$$\boxed{A = 36}$$

5.) (8 pts.) Use the Intermediate Value Theorem to prove that the equation $x^3 = x^2 + 5$ is solvable. This is a writing exercise.

$x^3 - x^2 - 5 = 0$ so let $f(x) = x^3 - x^2 - 5$
 and $m = 0$; f is cont. for all x
 (polynomial); by trial and error
 $f(0) = -5$ and $f(3) = 27 - 9 - 5 = 13$;
 $m = 0$ is between $f(0)$ and $f(3)$, so
 choose interval $[0, 3]$. By IMVT
 there is at least one x -value c ,
 $0 \leq c \leq 3$, so that $f(c) = m$, i.e.,
 $c^3 - c^2 - 5 = 0$ and the equation
 is solvable.

6.) (8 pts.) Give an ϵ, δ -proof for the following limit. This is a writing exercise.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} (x^2 + x) = 6$$

Let $\epsilon > 0$ be given. Find $\delta > 0$ so that if $0 < |x-2| < \delta$, then $|f(x) - 6| < \epsilon$. Begin with $|f(x) - 6| < \epsilon$ and "solve for" $|x-2|$. Then

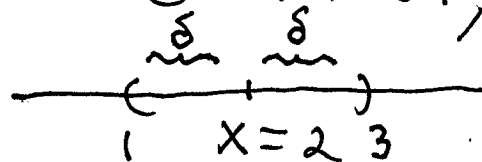
$$|f(x) - 6| < \epsilon \text{ iff } |(x^2 + x) - 6| < \epsilon$$

$$\text{iff } |(x+3)(x-2)| < \epsilon$$

$$\text{iff } |x+3||x-2| < \epsilon.$$

We need to "eliminate" $|x-3|$, so

assume $\delta \leq 1 \rightarrow$



$$1 < x < 3 \rightarrow$$

$4 < |x+3| < 6$. Then (Pinch Step)

$$|x+3||x-2| < 6|x-2| < \epsilon$$

iff $|x-2| < \frac{1}{6}\epsilon$. Now

choose $\delta = \min\{1, \frac{1}{6}\epsilon\}$. This completes the proof.

Q.E.D.

7.) (8 pts.) Use limits to find all horizontal asymptotes for $y = \frac{2^x + 3^x}{2^x + 5^x}$.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^x + 3^x}{2^x + 5^x} \cdot \frac{1/5^x}{1/5^x} \stackrel{\text{"}\infty\text{"}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^x + \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^x}{\left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^x + 1} = \frac{0+0}{0+1} = 0$$

so H.A. is $y = 0$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{2^x + 3^x}{2^x + 5^x} \cdot \frac{1/2^x}{1/2^x} \stackrel{\text{"}0\text{"}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{1 + \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^x}{1 + \left(\frac{5}{2}\right)^x}$$

$$= \frac{1 + \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{-\infty}}{1 + \left(\frac{5}{2}\right)^{-\infty}} = \frac{1 + \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{\infty}}{1 + \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{\infty}} = \frac{1+0}{1+0} = 1$$

so H.A. is $y = 1$

8.) (6 pts.) Find a tilted (slant) asymptote for the graph of $f(x) = \frac{3x^3 + x^2 - x}{x^2 + 1}$.

$$\begin{array}{r} 3x + 1 \\ x^2 + 1 \overline{) 3x^3 + x^2 - x} \\ \underline{-(3x^3 + 3x)} \\ x^2 - 4x \\ \underline{-(x^2 + 1)} \\ -4x - 1 \end{array}$$

so $y = 3x + 1$ is a T.A.

The following EXTRA CREDIT PROBLEM is worth 8 points. This problem is OPTIONAL.

1.) Determine the exact value of the following continued fraction.

$$1 + \frac{6}{1 + \frac{6}{1 + \frac{6}{1 + \dots}}} = L \rightarrow$$

$$1 + \frac{6}{L} = L \rightarrow$$

$$L + 6 = L^2 \rightarrow$$

$$0 = L^2 - L - 6 = (L - 3)(L + 2)$$

$$\rightarrow \boxed{L = 3} \text{ or } \cancel{L = -2}$$