Math 21A (2006 Summer Session I)
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Quiz 2

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2. No notes, books, or classmates may be used as resources for this exam. YOU MAY USE A CALCULATOR ON THIS EXAM.

3. 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 quiz. Neatness and organization are also important.

4. Make sure that you have 3 pages, including the cover page.

5. You may NOT use L'Hopital's Rule on this exam.

6. You may NOT use any shortcuts for finding limits to infinity.

7. Using only a calculator to determine limits will receive little or no credit.

8. You will be graded on proper use of limit notation.

1.) (12 pts.) Let $f(x) = \begin{cases} \dfrac{x^2-7x+6}{x-6}, & \text{if } x \neq 6 \\ 4, & \text{if } x = 6. \end{cases}$. Show that f is NOT continuous at $x = 6$.

i.) $f(6) = 4$

ii.) $\lim_{x\to 6} \dfrac{x^2-7x+6}{x-6} = \lim_{x\to 6} \dfrac{(x-6)(x-1)}{x-6}$

$= \lim_{x\to 6} (x-1) = 5$

iii.) But $\lim_{x\to 6} f(x) = 5 \neq 4 = f(6)$

so f is NOT continuous at $x=6$.

2.) (13 pts.) USE LIMITS to determine all vertical and horizontal asymptotes for $y = \dfrac{3x-2}{x-1}$.

$\lim_{x\to\pm\infty} \dfrac{3x-2}{x-1} \cdot \dfrac{\frac{1}{x}}{\frac{1}{x}} = \lim_{x\to\pm\infty} \dfrac{3-\frac{2}{x}}{1-\frac{1}{x}}$

$= \dfrac{3-0}{1-0} = 3$ so **H.A. : $y = 3$**;

$\lim_{x\to 1^+} \dfrac{3x-2}{x-1} = \dfrac{"1"}{0^+} = +\infty$

$\lim_{x\to 1^-} \dfrac{3x-2}{x-2} = \dfrac{"1"}{0^-} = -\infty$

} so **V.A. : $x = 1$**

3.) (15 pts.) Use the Intermediate Value Theorem (IMVT) to prove that the following equation is solvable : $x^3 = 3x + 5$

$x^3 - 3x - 5 = 0$ so let $f(x) = x^3 - 3x - 5$ and let $M = 0$; f is continuous for all x-values since it is a polynomial ; note that $f(0) = -5$ and $f(3) = 13$ and $M = 0$ is between these values ; use the interval $[0, 3]$; by the IMVT it follows that there is at least one number c, $0 \le c \le 3$, so that $f(c) = M$, i.e.,

$$c^3 - 3c - 5 = 0$$

, and the original equation is solvable.