

MTH 150
Exam 1
February 6, 2007

Name: _____

DIRECTIONS: This is a closed book, closed notes exam. No electronic devices are allowed (this means calculators, computers, cell phones, pagers, etc.). Be neat and show all work to receive full credit. Correct answers without the supporting evidence to back it up receive only partial credit. Good luck.

For exercises 1-3, evaluate the limit analytically. In other words, use some algebra or a well-known Calculus result to arrive at your answer.

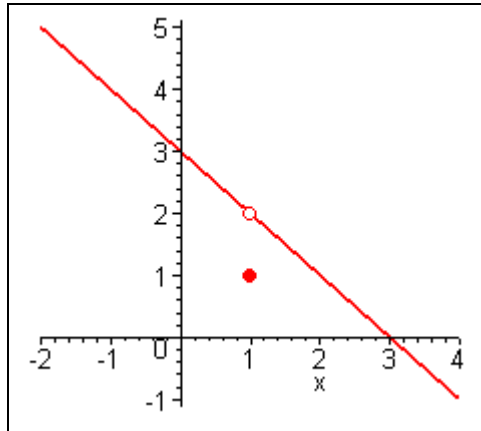
1. (10 points) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x^2 - 4x}{e^x}$

2. (10 points) $\lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x + \Delta x)^2 - x^2}{\Delta x}$

3. (10 points) $\lim_{h \rightarrow 3} \frac{\sqrt{h+1} - 2}{h-3}$

Problems 4-8 are multiple choice; no work is necessary. Circle the letter of your choosing.

4. (5 points) Use the graph of $f(x) = \begin{cases} 3-x, & x \neq 1 \\ 1, & x = 1 \end{cases}$ below to find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x)$, if it exists.



- (a) 0
(b) 1
(c) 2
(d) 3
(e) does not exist
5. (5 points) State where the function $g(x) = \frac{x+2}{x^2-x-6}$ is continuous.

- (a) $(-\infty, -2) \cup (-2, \infty)$
(b) $(-\infty, -2) \cup (-2, 3) \cup (3, \infty)$
(c) $(-\infty, 3) \cup (3, \infty)$
(d) $(-\infty, -3) \cup (-3, -2) \cup (-2, \infty)$
(e) $(-\infty, -3) \cup (-3, \infty)$
6. (5 points) Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2 - 2x}{3x^2 - 5x + 1}$, if it exists.

- (a) 1/3
(b) 0
(c) 2/5
(d) 3
(e) does not exist

7. (5 points) Find $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos \theta \tan \theta}{\theta}$, if it exists.

- (a) 0
- (b) 1
- (c) e
- (d) $\pi/2$
- (e) does not exist

8. (5 points) Find $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} (1+t)^{4/t}$, if it exists.

- (a) $4e$
- (b) e^4
- (c) e
- (d) 1
- (e) does not exist

BONUS (Optional 5 points)

Note: Only proofs written correctly will earn the 5 points.

Prove that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} (2x+1) = 5$ via the $\varepsilon - \delta$ definition. That is, show that, for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there is a $\delta > 0$ such that, if $0 < |x - 2| < \delta$, then $|f(x) - 5| < \varepsilon$.

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DIRECTIONS: Calculators are permitted on this part of the exam. However, answers based solely on calculator results are unacceptable. You must still show all work to receive full credit. Good luck.

9. (9 points) Consider the function $h(x) = \frac{|x-7|}{x-7}$. Does $\lim_{x \rightarrow 7} h(x)$ exist? If so, find the limit. If not, explain why not.

10. (9 points) Prove that $f(x) = x^3 + x - 1$ has a zero somewhere in the interval $[0,1]$. What is the name of the theorem that guarantees this?

11. Consider the function $f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 7x + 12}{x^2 - 9}$.

(a) **(6 points)** Find the value(s) of x at which $f(x)$ is discontinuous and label each discontinuity as removable or non-removable.

(b) **(6 points)** Write down an appropriate limit to show that $f(x)$ has a vertical asymptote. Give an equation for the VA.

Limit: _____ **VA:** _____

(c) **(6 points)** Use an appropriate limit to show that $f(x)$ has a horizontal asymptote. Give an equation for the HA.

Limit: _____ **HA:** _____

12. **(9 points)** Given a function $y = f(x)$, explain three different ways that $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)$ can fail to exist. Feel free to provide a picture if you wish.

(a)

(b)

(c)