## MAT186H1F - Calculus I - Fall 2019

Solutions to Term Test 1 - October 15, 2019

Time allotted: 100 minutes.

Aids permitted: Casio FX-991 or Sharp EL-520 calculator.

## Comments:

- In Question 6(a), there is NO choice for the angle  $\tan^{-1}(-2/3)$ ; it musts be in  $[-\pi/2, 0]$ . Many students used a calculator approximation for the answer even though it said, "find the exact value."
- In Question 6(b) many students ignored the instruction to use the definition of the derivative.
- In Question 8(b) the only way to calculate the limits is by rationalizing. Many students tried dividing the whole expression by x or by squaring parts of the expression—but this changes the question!
- In Question 7(a) it is necessary to put some restriction on x since  $2x^2 x^4/2$  is not always positive.
- Except for Question 1, which had a minimum score of 3, the range on every question was 0 to 10.

**Breakdown of Results:** 853 registered students wrote this test. The marks ranged from 13.75% to 97.5%, and the average was 47.5/80 or 59.4%. Some statistics on grade distribution are in the table on the left, and a histogram of the marks (by decade) is on the right.

Grade	%	Decade	%
		90-100%	2.0%
A	8.1%	80-89%	6.1%
В	17.7%	70-79%	17.7%
C	25.1%	60-69%	25.1%
D	23.8%	50-59%	23.8%
F	25.3%	40-49%	16.6%
		30 - 39%	5.9%
		20-29%	2.6%
		10-19%	0.2%
		0-9%	0.0%



- 1. [avg: 8.96/10] Find the following:
  - (a) [3 marks]  $\lim_{x \to -3} \frac{x^2 + x 6}{x^2 9}$

**Solution:** the limit is in the 0/0 form. Try factoring.

$$\lim_{x \to -3} \frac{x^2 + x - 6}{x^2 - 9} = \lim_{x \to -3} \frac{(x+3)(x-2)}{(x-3)(x+3)} = \lim_{x \to -3} \frac{(x-2)}{(x-3)} = \frac{-5}{-6} = \frac{5}{6}$$

(b) [3 marks]  $\frac{d(x e^{-x})}{dx}$ 

Solution: use the product rule.

$$\frac{d(x e^{-x})}{dx} = 1 \cdot e^{-x} + x (-e^{-x}) = e^{-x} - x e^{-x}.$$

(c) [4 marks] the slope of tangent line to the graph of  $y = \sin(x^2)$  at  $x = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{4}}$ .

Solution: by the chain rule,

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2x \, \cos(x^2).$$

At 
$$x = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{4}}$$
,  
 $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{4}}\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \sqrt{\pi}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}}$ .  
So the slope of tangent line to the graph of  $y = \sin(x^2)$  at  $x = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{4}}$  is  $\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}}$ .

2. [avg: 4.07/10] Let  $f(x) = 2^x$ . Also, assume that for  $r \neq 1$ , the formula for the sum of a finite geometric series is

$$1 + r + r^{2} + \dots + r^{n-1} = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} r^{i} = \frac{r^{n} - 1}{r - 1}.$$

- Let  $L_n$  denote the Riemann sum approximation of the area under the curve y = f(x) on the interval [0, 1] using n subintervals of equal length and the *left* endpoint of each subinterval.
- Let  $R_n$  denote the Riemann sum approximation of the area under the curve y = f(x) on the interval [0, 1] using n subintervals of equal length and the *right* endpoint of each subinterval.
- (a) [5 marks] Without calculating, arrange the numbers  $L_1, R_1, L_{2019}, R_{2019}, \int_0^1 2^x dx$  from smallest to largest.

**Solution:** since  $f(x) = 2^x$  is an increasing function,

$$L_1 < L_{2019} < \int_0^1 2^x \, dx < R_{2019} < R_1.$$

Aside: see figures to the right for the case n = 1. But no justification is required for this question.



(b) [5 marks] Calculate  $L_{100}$  and  $R_{100}$ . (Make use of the formula for the sum of a finite geometric series, as given above.) Then use your calculator to find the approximate values of  $L_{100}$  and  $R_{100}$  to 4 decimal places.

Solution: let 
$$\Delta x = \frac{1-0}{100} = \frac{1}{100}$$
; let  $x_i = \frac{i}{100}$ ; let  $r = 2^{1/100}$ .  
 $L_{100} = \sum_{i=0}^{99} f(x_i) \Delta x = \frac{1}{100} \sum_{i=0}^{99} 2^{i/100} = \frac{1}{100} \sum_{i=0}^{99} r^i = \frac{1}{100} \left(\frac{r^{100}-1}{r-1}\right) = \frac{1}{100} \left(\frac{2-1}{2^{1/100}-1}\right);$ 

that is,

$$L_{100} = \frac{0.01}{2^{1/100} - 1} \approx 1.4377$$

Similarly, but a little trickier,

$$R_{100} = \sum_{i=1}^{100} f(x_i) \Delta x = \frac{1}{100} \sum_{i=1}^{100} 2^{i/100} = \frac{1}{100} \sum_{i=1}^{100} r^i = \frac{1}{100} \left( \frac{r^{101} - 1}{r - 1} - 1 \right) = \frac{1}{100} \left( \frac{2^{1.01} - 2^{1/100}}{2^{1/100} - 1} \right);$$

that is,

$$R_{100} = \frac{1}{100} \left( \frac{2^{1.01} - 2^{1/100}}{2^{1/100} - 1} \right) \approx 1.4477$$

3. [avg: 3.92/10] Consider the function

$$f(x) = \frac{|x+2|(x-7)|}{(x-c)}.$$

(a) [1 mark] For which values of x is f(x) continuous?

Solution:  $x \neq c$ 

(b) [3 marks] For which value(s) of c does f(x) have a removable discontinuity?

**Solution:** if c = 7 then f(x) has a removable discontinuity at x = 7 since

$$\lim_{x \to 7} f(x) = \lim_{x \to 7} \frac{|x+2|(x-7)|}{(x-7)} = \lim_{x \to 7} |x+2| = 9;$$

that is,  $\lim_{x \to 7} f(x)$  exists, even though f(7) does not exist.

(c) [3 marks] For which value(s) of c does f(x) have a jump discontinuity?

**Solution:** if c = -2 then f(x) has a jump discontinuity at x = -2 since

$$\lim_{x \to -2^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \to -2^+} \frac{|x+2|(x-7)|}{(x+2)} = \lim_{x \to -2^+} \frac{(x+2)(x-7)}{(x+2)} = \lim_{x \to -2^+} (x-7) = -9$$

but

$$\lim_{x \to -2^{-}} f(x) = \lim_{x \to -2^{-}} \frac{|x+2|(x-7)|}{(x+2)} = \lim_{x \to -2^{-}} \frac{-(x+2)(x-7)}{(x+2)} = \lim_{x \to -2^{+}} -(x-7) = +9;$$

that is, both  $\lim_{x \to -2^+} f(x)$  and  $\lim_{x \to -2^-} f(x)$  exist but are not the same.

(d) [3 marks] For which value(s) of c does f(x) have an infinite discontinuity?

**Solution:** if  $c \neq -2, 7$  then f(x) has an infinite discontinuity at x = c since

$$\lim_{x \to c^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \to c^+} \frac{|x+2|(x-7)|}{(x-c)} = \begin{cases} +\infty, & \text{if } c > 7\\ -\infty, & \text{if } c < 7, c \neq -2 \end{cases}$$

OR

$$\lim_{x \to c^{-}} f(x) = \lim_{x \to c^{-}} \frac{|x+2|(x-7)|}{(x-c)} = \begin{cases} -\infty, & \text{if } c > 7\\ +\infty, & \text{if } c < 7, c \neq -2 \end{cases}$$

Note: you only have to show one of the one-sided limits is infinite, not both. But in either case, whether the limit is  $+\infty$  or  $-\infty$  depends on c, and that must be spelled out.

4. [avg: 5.58/10] Consider the function f(x) = xe<sup>x</sup> restricted to the domain x ≥ 0. (See the graph to the right.) The Lambert W function is defined as the inverse of the function f,

$$W(x) = f^{-1}(x).$$



(a) [2 marks] What is the domain of W?

**Solution:** the domain of W is the range of f, which is  $[0, \infty)$ .

(b) [3 marks] Let  $a \ge 1$ . Show that  $W(a \ln(a)) = \ln(a)$ .

**Solution:** since  $W = f^{-1}$ , we have  $W(a \ln(a)) = \ln(a) \Leftrightarrow a \ln a = f(\ln a)$ . This last equation can be checked directly:

$$f(\ln a) = (\ln a)(e^{\ln a}) = (\ln a)(a) = a \ln a$$

Aside: the domain of f(x) is  $x \ge 0$ ; that is why  $a \ge 1$  is necessary—to make  $\ln a \ge 0$ .

(c) [3 marks] Explain why the equation  $x^x = 2$  has a solution in the interval [1,2]. Name any theorem you are using.

**Solution:** let  $g(x) = x^x$ , which we assume is continuous for x > 0. Then

$$g(1) = 1 < 2 < 4 = g(2).$$

So by the Intermediate Value Theorem there is a number  $c \in (1,2)$  such that  $g(c) = 2 \Leftrightarrow c^c = 2$ .

(d) [2 marks] Find an explicit solution to the equation  $x^x = 2$  in terms of the Lambert W function. Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} x^x &= 2 &\Rightarrow \ln(x^x) = \ln 2 \\ &\Rightarrow x \ln x = \ln 2 \\ &\Rightarrow W(x \ln x) = W(\ln 2) \end{aligned}$$
 (use part b) 
$$\Rightarrow \ln x = W(\ln 2) \\ &\Rightarrow x = e^{W(\ln 2)} \end{aligned}$$

- 5. [avg: 7.78/10] For an athlete running a 50-meter dash, the position of the athlete is given by  $s(t) = \frac{t^3}{6} + 4t$ , where s(t) is the athlete's distance in meters from the starting line after t seconds.
  - (a) [4 marks] Explain why it will take the athlete between 5 and 6 seconds to run the race. Name any theorem you are using.

**Solution:** s is a continuous function and

$$s(5) = \frac{245}{6} < 50 < 60 = s(6).$$

By the Intermediate Value Theorem s(t) = 50 for some  $t \in (5, 6)$ . Thus the athlete will reach the finish line sometime between 5 and 6 seconds.

Aside: this assumes that s is an increasing function, which it is since s'(t) > 0, and that there is no t < 5 such that s(t) = 50.

(b) [3 marks] What is the athlete's average speed for the time interval  $1.9 \le t \le 2.1$ ? Approximate your answer to four decimal places.

Solution: calculate

$$\frac{s(2.1) - s(1.9)}{2.1 - 1.9} = \frac{7.202}{1.2} \approx 6.0017$$

So the athlete's average speed for  $1.9 \le t \le 2.1$  is about 6.0017 m/sec.

(c) [3 marks] What is the athlete's instantaneous speed at t = 2?

Solution: we have instantaneous speed given by

$$s'(t) = \frac{t^2}{2} + 4.$$

So the athlete's instantaneous speed at t = 2 is

$$s'(2) = 2 + 4 = 6$$

m/sec.

6. [avg: 6.77/10]

6. (a) [5 marks] Find the exact value of  $\cos\left(2\tan^{-1}\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)\right)$ .

Solution: let  $\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)$ . By definition of  $\tan^{-1}$  we know  $-\pi/2 < \theta < 0$ .

We have  $\tan \theta = -2/3$ ,  $\sin \theta < 0$  and  $\cos \theta > 0$ . You can use either  $\sin \theta$  OR  $\cos \theta$ :



 $\cos(2\theta) = \cos^2\theta - \sin^2\theta = \left(\frac{3}{\sqrt{13}}\right)^2 - \left(-\frac{2}{\sqrt{13}}\right)^2 = \frac{5}{13}.$ 

6. (b) [5 marks] Let  $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+4}}$ . Use the limit definition of the derivative to find f'(5).

Solution: 
$$f(5) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{9}} = \frac{1}{3}$$
; so  

$$f'(5) = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(h+5) - f(5)}{h} = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{1/\sqrt{h+9} - 1/3}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{3 - \sqrt{h+9}}{3h\sqrt{h+9}} = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{(3 - \sqrt{h+9})(3 + \sqrt{h+9})}{3h\sqrt{h+9}(3 + \sqrt{h+9})}$$

$$= \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{9 - (h+9)}{3h\sqrt{h+9}(3 + \sqrt{h+9})} = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{-h}{3h\sqrt{h+9}(3 + \sqrt{h+9})}$$

$$= \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{-1}{3\sqrt{h+9}(3 + \sqrt{h+9})} = -\frac{1}{54}$$

7. [avg: 4.33/10]

7.(a) [6 marks] It can be proved that  $t - \frac{t^2}{2} \le \ln(1+t) \le t$ , for  $t \ge 0$ . Make use of this result to find

$$\lim_{x \to 0^+} \frac{\sqrt{\ln(1+x^2) + x^2}}{x}$$

Name any other theorem you are using.

**Solution:** let  $t = x^2 \ge 0$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 - \frac{x^4}{2} &\leq \ln(1+x^2) \leq x^2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad 2x^2 - \frac{x^4}{2} \leq \ln(1+x^2) + x^2 \leq 2x^2 \\ &\text{(say for } 0 < x < 1) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \sqrt{2x^2 - \frac{x^4}{2}} \leq \sqrt{\ln(1+x^2) + x^2} \leq \sqrt{2x^2} \\ &\Rightarrow \quad \frac{\sqrt{2x^2 - \frac{x^4}{2}}}{x} \leq \frac{\sqrt{\ln(1+x^2) + x^2}}{x} \leq \frac{\sqrt{2x^2}}{x} \\ &\Rightarrow \quad \sqrt{2 - \frac{x^2}{2}} \leq \frac{\sqrt{\ln(1+x^2) + x^2}}{x} \leq \sqrt{2} \end{aligned}$$

Now both

$$\lim_{x \to 0^+} \sqrt{2 - \frac{x^2}{2}} = \sqrt{2} \text{ and } \lim_{x \to 0^+} \sqrt{2} = \sqrt{2},$$

so by the Squeeze Law we can conclude that

$$\lim_{x \to 0^+} \frac{\sqrt{\ln(1+x^2) + x^2}}{x} = \sqrt{2}.$$

7.(b) [4 marks] Find  $\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\sin^3(2x)}{\tan^3(4x)}$ .

**Solution:** limit is in the 0/0 form. Note that  $\tan(4x) = \frac{\sin(4x)}{\cos(4x)}$ , and that  $\cos 0 = 1$ . Thus

$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\sin^3(2x)}{\tan^3(4x)} = \left(\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\sin(2x)}{\tan(4x)}\right)^3 = \left(\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\sin(2x)}{\sin(4x)} \cdot \cos(4x)\right)^3 = \left(\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\sin(2x)}{\sin(4x)}\right)^3 \cdot 1 = \left(\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\sin(2x)}{\sin(4x)}\right)^3.$$

Approach 1: use double angle formula.

$$\left(\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\sin(2x)}{\sin(4x)}\right)^3 = \left(\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\sin(2x)}{2\sin(2x)\cos(2x)}\right)^3 = \left(\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{1}{2\cos(2x)}\right)^3 = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 = \frac{1}{8}.$$

Approach 2: use basic trig limit.

$$\left(\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\sin(2x)}{\sin(4x)}\right)^3 = \left(\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{2}{4} \frac{\sin(2x)}{2x} \frac{4x}{\sin(4x)}\right)^3 = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 \left(\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{\sin h}{h}\right)^3 \left(\lim_{k \to 0} \frac{k}{\sin k}\right)^3 = \frac{1}{8}(1^3)(1^3) = \frac{1}{8}$$

Either way, the answer is  $\frac{1}{8}$ .

- 8. [avg: 6.09/10] Consider the function  $f(x) = \sqrt{x^2 + 6x + 5}$ .
  - (a) [2 marks] Find the domain of f.

**Solution:**  $x^2 + 6x + 5 \ge 0 \Leftrightarrow (x+5)(x+1) \ge 0 \Leftrightarrow x \le -5$  or  $x \ge -1$ . So the domain of f is, in interval notation,  $(-\infty, -5] \cup [-1, \infty)$ .

(b) [6 marks] A line with equation y = mx + b is a *slant asymptote* to the graph of y = f(x) if

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \left[ f(x) - (mx+b) \right] = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \lim_{x \to -\infty} \left[ f(x) - (mx+b) \right] = 0.$$

Show that f(x) has slant asymptotes with equations y = x + 3 and y = -x - 3.

**Solution:** show  $\lim_{x \to \infty} (f(x) - (x+3)) = 0$  and  $\lim_{x \to -\infty} (f(x) - (-x-3)) = 0$ :

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \left[ \sqrt{x^2 + 6x + 5} - (x+3) \right] = \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{\left( \sqrt{x^2 + 6x + 5} - (x+3) \right) \left( \sqrt{x^2 + 6x + 5} + (x+3) \right)}{\sqrt{x^2 + 6x + 5} + (x+3)}$$
$$= \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{x^2 + 6x + 5 - x^2 - 6x - 9}{\sqrt{x^2 + 6x + 5} + x + 3}$$
$$= \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{-4}{\sqrt{x^2 + 6x + 5} + x + 3} = 0;$$

$$\lim_{x \to -\infty} \left[ \sqrt{x^2 + 6x + 5} - (-x - 3) \right] = \lim_{x \to -\infty} \frac{\left( \sqrt{x^2 + 6x + 5} - (-x - 3) \right) \left( \sqrt{x^2 + 6x + 5} + (-x - 3) \right)}{\sqrt{x^2 + 6x + 5} + (-x - 3)}$$
$$= \lim_{x \to -\infty} \frac{x^2 + 6x + 5 - x^2 - 6x - 9}{\sqrt{x^2 + 6x + 5} - x - 3}$$
$$= \lim_{x \to -\infty} \frac{-4}{\sqrt{x^2 + 6x + 5} - x - 3} = 0.$$

Aside: the other two limits,  $\lim_{x \to \infty} (f(x) - (-x - 3))$  and  $\lim_{x \to -\infty} (f(x) - (x + 3))$ , are both infinite.

(c) [2 marks] Using the results from parts (a) and (b), sketch the graph of

$$y = f(x)$$

and its two slant asymptotes. Make sure to indicate the equation of each part of your sketch. Solution: to the right.



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