

## Review for Math 152H-1 Test #1

**Material:** You will be expected to know the following material. Where it says “you need to know the ... theorem or definition” it means you need to know the statement as well as how to use it.

1. **Limits:** The test will only consider limits of functions, not sequences!

- You will need to know how to compute  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$ ,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^\pm} f(x)$ , and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} f(x)$  for functions similar to those in the homework.
- You will need to know the definition of a limit and how it changes to include right and left hand limits, and limits at infinity. You may be asked to find  $\delta$  so that ... or you may be asked to recognize that some statement is equivalent to the existence of a limit.
- You should know what it means for  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = \infty$  or  $-\infty$  and how that is can be expressed by a definition.
- You should be able to give examples of ways in which  $f(x)$  can fail to have a limit at  $x = a$ . You should know that the value of  $f(a)$  does not make a difference to  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$  and that  $f(x)$  need not be defined at  $a$  for the limit to exist. You should know that you can use sequences or left and right hand limits to show that a limit does not exist.
- You should know what three conditions are required for a function to be continuous at a point and how to find the sets upon which a given function is continuous. You should know when you can extend a function to be continuous at points where it is not defined or re-define a function to make it continuous (these are called removable singularities). You should know when this process fails. You should know that this is related to the limit definition of a derivative.
- You should know the intermediate value theorem and how to use it to show that an equation has at least one solution.
- You should know the following limits:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x^n} \qquad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos x}{x^n}$$

(this last limit can be computed using  $\cos x = 1 - 2 \sin^2 \frac{x}{2}$ ).

- You should know the squeeze theorem.
- You should be able to use limits to find vertical and horizontal asymptotes (section 2.4, 2.5) and describe the behavior of  $f(x)$  near a vertical asymptote in terms of limits.

2. **Derivatives:**

- You will need to know that a function  $f(x)$  is **defined** to be differentiable at a point  $a$  in its domain when

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} \qquad \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a + h) - f(a)}{h}$$

exist. You should understand why these two limits are equivalent. You should know what it means to be right and left differentiable (section 3.1) and that a function is differentiable if and only if it is *both* right and left differentiable and the right and left derivatives are equal. Since this is a limit, all that you know about limits applies here.

- You should know that the expression inside the second limit above is the average rate of change for  $f(x)$  over  $[a, a + h]$  (section 2.7), and that the limit gives the instantaneous rate of change for the function
- Graphically,  $f'(a)$  is the slope of the tangent line. The average rate of change is the slope of the line through  $(a, f(a))$  and  $(a + h, f(a + h))$ . You should be able to find the *equation* of the tangent line to  $f(x)$  at  $a$ .
- You should be able to give examples of how a function fails to be differentiable at a point (section 3.1). You should know what it means for the left and right hand derivatives to exist but differ in value.

- (e) You should be able to calculate  $f'(x)$ , the derivative function, using the definition above or by using the rules given in class (sections 3.2, 3.4, and the first part of 3.5).
- (f) You should know that  $f'(x)$  existing at  $a$  implies that  $f(x)$  is continuous at  $a$ , but that the reverse is not true (think  $y = |x|$  at 0). Furthermore,  $f'(x)$  can exist everywhere, but that does not imply that  $f'(x)$  is continuous.

This is a summary, and may not include everything in the homework. Except where explicitly stated otherwise, you will also need to know what we have covered in the homework.

**Review Problems:** Please note: these are meant to be challenging!

1. Calculate the following limits:

$$(1) \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^2 - 2x}{x(\sqrt{x+2} - 2)}$$

$$(2) \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{x^2 - 3x + 2}{x^2 - 2x + 1}$$

$$(3) \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2\sqrt{x} + \frac{1}{x}}{3 + \sqrt{x}}$$

$$(4) \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{\sin(\pi x^2 - 2\pi x)}{x^2 - 4}$$

$$(5) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1 - \cos x}{x^{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

$$(6) \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(16+h)^{\frac{1}{4}} - 2}{h}$$

2. Compute the following derivatives in any manner you prefer:

$$(1) \frac{d}{dx} \left( 10x^{-2} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{x}} - 4 \right)$$

$$(2) \frac{d^2}{dx^2} \tan 2x$$

$$(3) \frac{d}{dx} (\sqrt{1+2x} - 1)^5$$

$$(4) \frac{d}{dx} \sqrt{(1+x^2)(\sin 2x \cos x)}$$

3. Use the definition of the derivative to compute the derivative of  $y = \frac{1}{x^2+2x} + 3$  (for this it's best not to use the version with an  $h$ ). Find the equation of the tangent line for this function at  $x = 1$ .

4. Where is

$$y = 3 + \frac{x^2 + 2x - 3}{(x+1)(x^2-1)}$$

continuous? Can we extend this function to be continuous at any point where it is currently not continuous. What does its graph look near  $x = -3$ ? what happens near  $x = +1$ ? near  $x = 1$ ? Does the function have any horizontal asymptotes? If so what are their equations?

5. You are given that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = 3$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = 1$ , what is

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x^3 - x)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x^3 - x)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x^3 - x)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x^2 - x^4)$$

6. If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{3x+1}{\sqrt{g(x)}} = 3$  what can you say about  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} g(x)$ ? Suppose  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^2-4}{g(x)-3} = 5$ , what can you say about  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} g(x)$ ?

7. Given  $\epsilon > 0$  find  $\delta$  so that  $|\sqrt{x+3} - 2| < \epsilon$  when  $0 < |x-1| < \delta$ . For each  $\epsilon > 0$  is there always a  $\delta > 0$  so that  $|\sqrt{x+3} - 3| < \epsilon$  when  $0 < x < \delta$ ?

8. Is  $y = \sqrt{(x-1)^2}$  differentiable at 1? What happens to the graph at  $x = 1$ ? What is the equation of the tangent line to this function at  $x = 2$ ? Why is

$$y = y = \begin{cases} x^2 & x \leq 0 \\ x + 3 & x > 0 \end{cases}$$

not differentiable at 0? What does its graph look like? Why is  $y = x^{\frac{1}{5}}$  not differentiable at 0, what does its graph look like?

9. Suppose

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} g(x) & x \leq 1 \\ x^2 + ax + b & x \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

where  $g(x)$  is differentiable on  $\mathbb{R}$  with  $g(1) = 3$  and  $g'(1) = 5$ . What are the values of  $a$  and  $b$  for which  $f(x)$  is both continuous and differentiable for  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ? If  $g''(x)$  exists everywhere, and  $g''(1) = 3$ , is  $f''(x)$  defined at 1?

10. Show that

$$y = \begin{cases} x^3 \cos(\frac{1}{x^2}) & x \neq 0 \\ 0 & x = 0 \end{cases}$$

is differentiable at 0. Is it continuously differentiable at 0? Same questions for

$$y = \begin{cases} x^3 \cos(\frac{1}{x}) & x \neq 0 \\ 0 & x = 0 \end{cases}$$

11. **A challenge problem:** For each  $\epsilon > 0$  is it possible to find a  $\delta > 0$  so that  $|((1+x)^\pi - 4^\pi) - 5(x-3)| < \epsilon|x-3|$  when  $0 < |x-3| < \delta$ ? (**Hint:** Can you relate this to derivatives?)