

Put all work and answers in the stamped blue book provided; one problem per page please. (the back of a sheet can serve as a new page) Nothing written on the test itself will be graded. Calculators may be used (not a graphing calculator nor any calculator that actually does calculus). Simplify completely. Turn in this test copy inside of your blue book. (Seven questions; 14 points each; 2 points for following directions)

1.) a.) For $f(x) = \frac{5}{x^2}$, find $\frac{f(x)-f(a)}{x-a}$ and simplify completely.

b.) Put in standard form; identify; find all relevant points (center, ends of axes, foci, ...)
and graph:

$$x^2 + y^2 - 8x + 2y + 8 = 0$$

2.) Sketch the curve represented by the following parametric equations; eliminate the parameter and find the Cartesian (rectangular) equation:

$$x = 1 + 3t \quad \text{and} \quad y = 2 - t^2 \quad -1 \leq t \leq 3$$

3.) Use the formal definition of a limit ($\epsilon \dots \delta$) to show that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} (3x + 5) = 11$.

4.) Find the derivative using the DEFINITION OF DERIVATIVE: $f(x) = \frac{4}{5x+7}$

5.) Evaluate the following limits:

a.) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\tan^{-1} x)$ b.) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{2x^2 - 10x}{x^2 - 4x - 5}$

c.) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \ln x$

6.) Graph the following: $f(x) = \begin{cases} 3 & \text{if } x \leq -2 \\ 2x+1 & \text{if } -2 < x < 0 \\ 4-x^2 & \text{if } x \geq 0 \end{cases}$

For this function, find: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) =$ $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) =$ $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) =$

Is this function continuous at $x = -2$? (Verify; 3 possible steps)

7.) Find the average rate of change of $f(x)$ as x changes from $x = 1$ to $x = 4$; find the instantaneous rate of change of $f(x)$ at $x = 3$: $f(x) = 5x^2 - 6x + 2$ (use the definition of derivative to find $f'(x)$)

Bonus (5 pt): Write out the words to NC State's Alma Mater

MA 141 TEST #1

7 questions; 14 points each

1. a.) $f(x) = \frac{5}{x^2}$

$$\frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} = \frac{\frac{5}{x^2} - \frac{5}{a^2}}{x - a}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{5}{x^2} \cdot \frac{a^2}{a^2} - \frac{5}{a^2} \cdot \frac{x^2}{x^2}}{x - a} = \frac{\frac{5a^2 - 5x^2}{x^2 \cdot a^2}}{x - a} = \frac{5(a^2 - x^2)}{x^2 \cdot a^2} \cdot \frac{1}{(x - a)}$$

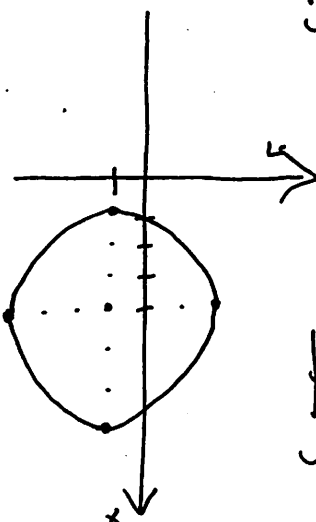
$$= \frac{5(a^2 - x^2)}{x^2 \cdot a^2} \cdot \frac{1}{(x - a)} = \frac{5(a - x)(a + x)}{x^2 a^2 (x - a)} = \frac{-5(a + x)}{a^2 x^2}$$

b.) $x^2 + y^2 - 8x + 2y + 8 = 0$

$$x^2 - 8x + 16 + y^2 + 2y = -8$$

$$(x - 4)^2 + (y + 1)^2 = -8 + 16 + 1$$

circle; center at $(4, -1)$; radius $= 3$



2.) $x = -1 + 2t$ (page 2)
 $y = 6 - t^2$ $-1 \leq t \leq 3$

t	-1	0	1	2	3
x	-1	1	3	5	7
y	5	6	5	2	-3

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$(-1, 5) \dots (1, 6) \dots (3, 5) \dots (5, 2) \dots (7, -3)$

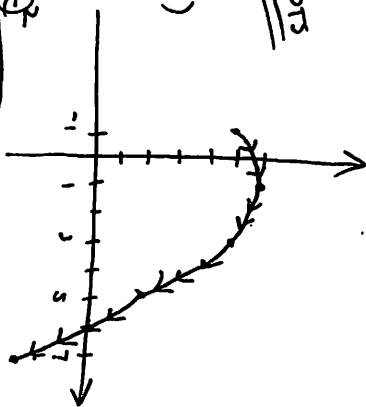
Cartesian Equation:

$x = -1 + 2t$

$x + 1 = 2t$

$\frac{x+1}{2} = t$

subst. back



$y = 6 - \left(\frac{x+1}{2}\right)^2$
 $y = 6 - \frac{(x+1)^2}{4}$

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③ $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} (8x - 10) = 6$

14 PTS $x \rightarrow 2$

use what we want... (so we can work backwards)

$|8x - 10 - 6| < \epsilon$

$|8x - 16| < \epsilon$

$8|x - 2| < \epsilon$

$|x - 2| < \frac{\epsilon}{8}$

choose $\delta = \frac{\epsilon}{8}$

(or smaller)

* begin work:

$0 < |x - 2| < \delta$

choose $\delta = \frac{\epsilon}{8}$

$|x - 2| < \frac{\epsilon}{8}$

$8|x - 2| < \epsilon$

$|8x - 16| < \epsilon$

$|8x - 10 - 6| < \epsilon$

$\therefore |f(x) - L| < \epsilon$

4.) $f(x) = \frac{5}{4x+9}$ (page 3)

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

$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{5}{4(x+h)+9} - \frac{5}{4x+9}}{h}$

$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{5}{4(x+h)+9} \cdot \frac{4(x+h)+9}{4(x+h)+9} - \frac{5}{4x+9} \cdot \frac{4(x+h)+9}{4(x+h)+9}}{h}$

$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{5(4x+9) - 5[4(x+h)+9]}{h \cdot [4(x+h)+9] \cdot (4x+9)}$

$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{20x + 45 - 20x - 20h - 45}{h \cdot [4(x+h)+9] \cdot (4x+9)}$

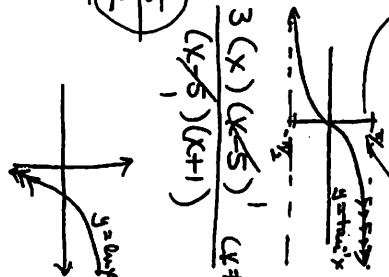
$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-20h}{h \cdot [4(x+h)+9] \cdot (4x+9)}$

$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-20}{[4(x+h)+9] \cdot (4x+9)}$

5.) a.) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\tan^{-1} x) = \frac{\pi}{2}$

b.) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{3(x^2 - 5x)}{(x-5)(x+1)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{3x(x-5)}{(x-5)(x+1)}$

c.) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \ln(x) = \text{D.N.E.}$



6.) $f(x) = \begin{cases} 5 & x < -2 \\ 3x+1 & -2 < x < 0 \\ 7-x^2 & x \geq 0 \end{cases}$

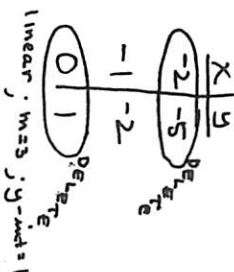
$(x < -2)$

$y = 5$

constant

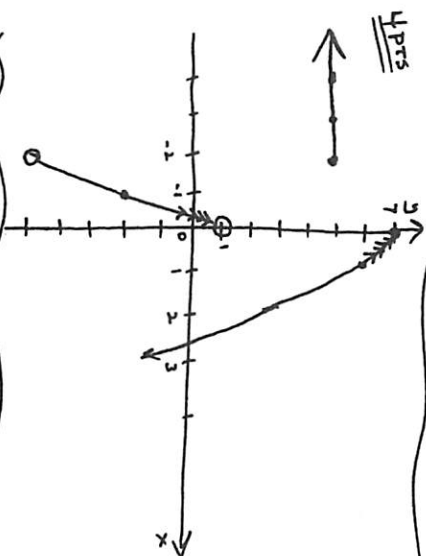
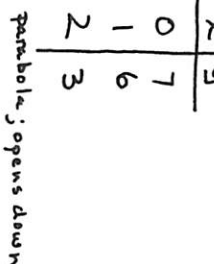
$(-2 < x < 0)$

$y = 3x+1$



$(x \geq 0)$

$y = 7-x^2$



$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = 1$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = 7$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) =$
DOES NOT EXIST

is continuous at $x = -2$?

① $f(-2)$ exists? yes, $f(-2) = 5$

② $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} f(x)$ exists? no, $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} f(x)$ D.N.E.

$\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} f(x) = -5$
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^-} f(x) = 5$
 $\therefore$ DISCONTINUOUS

7.) (page 5)
average rate of change; $x=1$ to $x=4$:

$f(x) = 6x^2 - 5x + 2$

$m_{sec} = \frac{f(4) - f(1)}{4 - 1} = \frac{78 - 3}{3} = \frac{75}{3} = 25$

$f(4) = 6(4)^2 - 5(4) + 2 = 96 - 20 + 2 = 78$

$f(1) = 6(1)^2 - 5(1) + 2 = 6 - 5 + 2 = 3$

instantaneous rate of change at $x=3$

$f(x) = 6x^2 - 5x + 2$

$f'(x) = 12x - 5$ (by DEF OF DERIV OR SHORTCUT)

$f'(3) = 12(3) - 5 = 36 - 5 = 31$

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Where the winds of Dixie softly blow o'er the fields of Caroline,
There stands ever cherished, N.C. State, as thy honored shrine
So lift your voices! Loudly sing from hill to ocean side!
Our Alma Mater! Hail ye, N.C. State, in the folds of our pride!

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