

**Question 1:** Evaluate the following limits if they exist. If a limit does not exist because it is  $+\infty$  or  $-\infty$ , state which with an explanation of your reasoning. (Do not use L'Hospital's rule to evaluate limits.)

$$(a) \lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \frac{2 - |x|}{2 + x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \frac{2 - (-x)}{2 + x} \quad \text{since } x < 0 \text{ as } x \rightarrow -2$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \frac{2 + x}{2 + x}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow -2} 1$$

$$= \boxed{1}$$

[3]

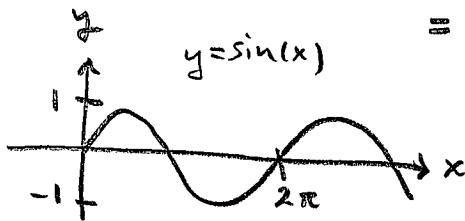
$$(b) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(3x) \sin(5x)}{x^2 \cos(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \underbrace{\frac{\sin(3x)}{3x}}_{\rightarrow 1} \cdot \underbrace{\frac{\sin(5x)}{5x}}_{\rightarrow 1} \cdot \frac{(3)(5)}{\cos(x)} \rightarrow 1$$

$$= \boxed{15}$$

[3]

$$(c) \lim_{x \rightarrow 2\pi^-} x \csc(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2\pi^-} \frac{x}{\sin(x)} \rightarrow \infty$$

$$= \boxed{-\infty}$$



[4]

**Question 2:** Find  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^2 \cos(\pi/x^5)$ .

(Hint: Squeeze Theorem. Be sure to demonstrate that all conditions of the theorem are satisfied, and state a clear conclusion which references use of the theorem.)

$$-x^2 \leq x^2 \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{x^5}\right) \leq x^2$$

Since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} -x^2 = 0 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^2$ ,

by the Squeeze Thm,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^2 \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{x^5}\right) = \boxed{0}$

[5]

**Question 3:** Let

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} cx^2 + 2x & \text{if } x < 2 \\ x^3 - cx & \text{if } x \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

Find the constant  $c$  that makes  $f$  continuous at all real numbers.

For  $x \neq 2$ ,  $f$  is defined by polynomials so is continuous. At  $x=2$  we must have

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

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} cx^2 + 2x = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} x^3 - cx = 2^3 - 2c$$

$$\Rightarrow 4c + 4 = 8 - 2c = \cancel{8 - 2c}$$

$$\Rightarrow 6c = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{c = \frac{2}{3}}$$

[5]

**Question 4:** Let  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x + \sqrt{x}}$ . Use the Intermediate Value Theorem to show that  $f(x) = 1/3$  for some  $x$  in the interval  $[1, 4]$ .

$f$  is continuous on  $[1, 4]$ .

$$f(1) = \frac{1}{2}, \quad f(4) = \frac{1}{6} \quad \text{and} \quad f(4) < \frac{1}{3} < f(1).$$

$\therefore$  By the I.V.T. there is some number  $c$  in  $(1, 4)$  such that  $f(c) = \frac{1}{3}$ .

[5]

**Question 5:** Determine  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{t} + t^2}{2t - t^2}$ .

If the limit does not exist because it is  $+\infty$  or  $-\infty$ , state which with an explanation of your reasoning.  
(Do not use L'Hospital's rule to evaluate the limit.)

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{t^{1/2} + t^2}{2t - t^2} \div t^2$$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{t^{-3/2} + 1}{2t^{-1} - 1}$$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{t^{3/2}} + 1\right)}{\left(\frac{2}{t} - 1\right)}$$

$$= \boxed{-1}$$

[5]

**Question 6:**

- (a) Use the limit definition of the derivative to find  $f'(x)$  if  $f(x) = \frac{x}{2-x}$ . Neatly show all steps and use proper notation. (No credit will be given if  $f'(x)$  is found using derivative rules.)

$$\begin{aligned}
 f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \left[ \frac{x+h}{2-x-h} - \frac{x}{2-x} \right] \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \left[ \frac{(x+h)(2-x) - x(2-x-h)}{(2-x-h)(2-x)} \right] \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \left[ \frac{\cancel{2x} - \cancel{x^2} + 2h - \cancel{hx} - 2x + \cancel{x^2} + \cancel{hx}}{(2-x-h)(2-x)} \right] \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \left[ \frac{2h}{(2-x-h)(2-x)} \right] \\
 &= \boxed{\frac{2}{(2-x)^2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

[7]

- (b) Use your result from part (a) to find the equation of the tangent line to the curve  $y = x/(2-x)$  at the point where  $x = -1$ .

At  $x = -1$ ,  $y = \frac{-1}{2-(-1)} = \frac{-1}{3}$ , and slope of tangent line is

$$y' \Big|_{x=-1} = \frac{2}{(2-(-1))^2} = \frac{2}{9}. \text{ So equation of tangent line is}$$

$$\boxed{y + \frac{1}{3} = \frac{2}{9}(x+1)}$$

[3]

**Question 7:** Differentiate (that is, find the derivative of) the following functions.

(a)  $f(x) = 2x^3 - 3x^2 + 2x + 4$

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

[2]

(b)  $y = 6\sqrt{x} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} = 6x^{1/2} + x^{-1/2}$

$$y' = 3x^{-1/2} - \frac{1}{2}x^{-3/2}$$

[2]

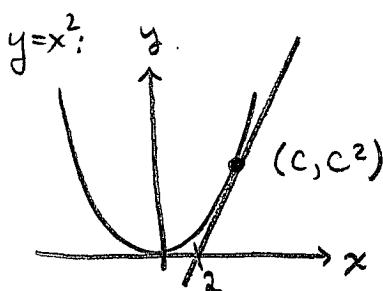
(c)  $g(t) = (3t+1)^2 - \frac{\cos(t)}{\pi} = 9t^2 + 6t + 1 - \frac{1}{\pi} \cos(t)$

$$g'(t) = 18t + 6 + \frac{1}{\pi} \sin(t)$$

[2]

non-zero

**Question 8:** Determine the value of  $c$  if the  $x$ -intercept of the tangent line to  $y = x^2$  at  $x = c$  is 2.



Slope of tangent line is  $\left. \frac{d}{dx}[x^2] \right|_{x=c} = 2c$

∴ Equation of tangent line is

$$y - c^2 = 2c(x - c)$$

Since tangent line has  $x$ -intercept 2,  $(2, 0)$  is on the line, so

$$0 - c^2 = 2c(2 - c)$$

$$\Rightarrow -c^2 = 4c - 2c^2$$

$$\Rightarrow c^2 - 4c = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow c(c - 4) = 0$$

$$\boxed{c \neq 0, c = 4}$$

[4]