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## Math 1A, Sample midterm

Discussion section: $\qquad$
Instructions: Show your work. Unjustified answers will not receive credit. Your signature above certifies that the work here is your own.

1. (a)Let $f$ be a function, and $a, L$ be real numbers. Define carefully: $\lim _{x \rightarrow a} f(x)=L$ if and only if ...
(b) Show directly from the definition that $\lim _{x \rightarrow 3} 2 x=6$.
2. Let $f(x)=\sqrt{x}$ for all $x$. Prove directly from the definition of derivative that $f^{\prime}(a)=\frac{1}{2 \sqrt{a}}$.
3. Let $f(x)=\sqrt{3-e^{2 x}}$.
(a) Explain why $f$ is one-one.
(b) What is the domain of $f^{-1}$ ?
(c) Find a formula for $f^{-1}$.
4. Problem 3, page 127, and problems 3739 on page 164. (These involve graphs, so please look them up.)
5. Compute (a) $\lim _{x \rightarrow 3^{+}} \frac{x^{2}-9}{x^{2}+2 x-3}$ (be as precise as possible).
(b) $\lim _{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x^{2}-9}{x^{2}-2 x-3}$
(c) $\lim _{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{x^{2}-9}}{2 x+5}$.
(d) $\lim _{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cot (2 t)}{t}$.
6. Compute (a) $\frac{d}{d t}\left(t^{\frac{1}{3}} \sec t(t)\right)$.
(b) $\frac{d}{d u}\left(\frac{u}{u^{2}+1}\right)$.
7. Find an equation for the line which is normal to the curve consisting of all points $(x, y)$ satisfying $y=\frac{x e^{x}}{x^{2}+1}$, at the point $(0,0)$ on this curve.
8. Problem 50, page 190. (This involves a graph; please look it up.)
