This is a practice quiz!

Name and section:

1. Let f be a function. Define carefully:  $\lim_{x\to\infty} f(x) = \infty$  if and only if...

**Solution:** ...for all N > 0 there exists M > 0 such that if x > M then f(x) > N.

- 2. Let  $f(x) = \arctan(\ln x)$ .
  - (a) Explain why f is one-to-one.
  - (b) What is the domain of f? What is the domain of  $f^{-1}$ ?
  - (c) Find a formula for  $f^{-1}$ .

## Solution:

(a) f is one-to-one if and only if f(x) = f(y) implies x = y. If  $\arctan(\ln x) = \arctan(\ln y)$ , then by taking the tangent of both sides we get  $\ln x = \ln y$ , and by taking the exponential of both sides we get x = y.

Alternatively, arctan is an increasing function and so is  $\ln x$ , so their composition is increasing too, and increasing functions are always one-to-one.

(b) Since  $\arctan has domain all of \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\arctan \ln x$  is undefined if and only if  $\ln x$  is undefined. So the domain of f is the same as the domain of  $\ln x$ , or the positive reals  $(0, \infty)$ .

The domain of  $f^{-1}$  is the same as the range of f. Since  $\ln x$  takes on all real values,  $\arctan \ln x$  takes on all the values that  $\arctan x$  does. So the range of f is the same as the range of  $\arctan x$ , or the interval  $\left[\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)\right]$ .

(c) We can do this by writing  $x = \arctan \ln y$  and solving for y. This gives  $\tan x = \ln y$  and hence

$$y = f^{-1}(x) = \boxed{e^{\tan x}}.$$
(1)

(But note that we have to restrict the domain of this function to  $\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$  for it to really be the inverse. The function  $e^{\tan x}$  has a larger domain than  $f^{-1}$  does.)

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3. Compute the following limits (be specific about infinite limits).

(a) 
$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\tan 2x}{x}$$
  
(b) 
$$\lim_{x \to -\infty} \frac{x^3 + 1}{\sqrt{x^6 + 6x}}$$
  
(c) 
$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + x} - x}$$

## Solution:

(a) We can write  $\tan 2x = \frac{\sin 2x}{\cos 2x}$ , so that the limit is

$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\sin 2x}{x \cos 2x}.$$
 (2)

Next, recalling that  $\lim_{x\to 0} \frac{\sin x}{x}$ , we can rewrite this limit as

$$\lim_{x \to 0} 2 \frac{\sin 2x}{2x} \frac{1}{\cos 2x}.$$
 (3)

Using the fact that the product of limits is the limit of the products, the fact that  $\cos is$  continuous, and the fact that taking  $x \to 0$  is the same as taking  $2x \to 0$ , we conclude that the limit is

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

(b) Dividing the numerator and denominator by  $x^3$  gives

$$\lim_{x \to -\infty} \frac{1 + \frac{1}{x^3}}{\frac{\sqrt{x^6 + 6x}}{x^3}}.$$
(5)

We would like to absorb  $x^3$  into the square root, but since  $x \to -\infty$ ,  $x^3$  will eventually be negative, so we need to introduce a negative sign to do this. The limit becomes

$$\lim_{x \to -\infty} \frac{1 + \frac{1}{x^3}}{-\frac{\sqrt{x^6 + 6x}}{\sqrt{x^6}}} = \lim_{x \to -\infty} \frac{1 + \frac{1}{x^3}}{-\sqrt{1 + \frac{6}{x^5}}}.$$
(6)

But now the numerator has limit 1 and the denominator has limit -1, so using the fact that the quotient of limits is the limit of the quotients (if the denominator has a nonzero limit) we conclude that the original limit is -1.

(c) Multiplying the numerator and denominator by the conjugate gives

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{x(\sqrt{x^2 + x} + x)}{(x^2 + x) - x^2} = \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{x(\sqrt{x^2 + x} + x)}{x} = \lim_{x \to \infty} (\sqrt{x^2 + x} + x).$$
(7)

This is a sum of two terms going to  $+\infty$ , so goes to  $+\infty$ 

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- 4. Let f(x), g(x) be two functions such that g(1) = 2, f(1) = 3, g'(1) = 4, f'(1) = 5. Computerivatives of the following functions at 1.
  - (a) f(x) + g(x)
  - (b) f(x)g(x)
  - (c)  $\frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$

## Solution:

- (a) By the sum rule the derivative is  $f'(1) + g'(1) = 4 + 5 = \boxed{9}$ .
- (b) By the product rule the derivative is  $f'(1)g(1) + f(1)g'(1) = 5 \cdot 2 + 3 \cdot 4 = \boxed{22}$ .
- (c) By the quotient rule the derivative is  $\frac{f'(1)g(1)-f(1)g'(1)}{g(1)^2} = \frac{5\cdot 2-3\cdot 4}{2^2} = \boxed{-\frac{1}{2}}.$