

Math 1A: Midterm 1 Review Problems

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Question 1

Find the domain of the function

$$f(x) = \frac{\ln(x^2 - 4)}{x^2}$$

Question 2

Find the domain of the function

$$f(x) = \frac{x}{1 - \tan(x)}$$

Is this different from the domain of the function $g(x)$?

$$g(x) = \frac{\sqrt{x}}{1 - \tan(x)}$$

Question 3

Compute, using the limit laws to justify your steps,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + 5}}{\cos(\pi x)}$$

Question 4

Calculate the following limit

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 1} \frac{\sqrt{h^2 + h + 2} - 2}{h - 1}$$

Question 5

Consider the two functions

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x(x-4)}$$

$$g(x) = 2 \cos(x)$$

Find $f \circ f$, $g \circ g$, $f \circ g$, and $g \circ f$, and find the domain of each of these functions.

Question 6

Calculate the limit,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (|x| + 3x + \sqrt{x} + 2)$$

if it exists.

Question 7

Compute the following quantities

$$\arccos \left(\cos \left(\frac{10\pi}{3} \right) \right)$$

$$\log_3 \left(\tan \left(\frac{7\pi}{6} \right) \right)$$

$$\sin (e^{\ln(\pi) - \ln(3)})$$

Question 8

Compute the following limit.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\sqrt{x} \cos \left(\frac{1}{x} \right) + x \sin \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \right) \right]$$

Question 9

What value of the constant a makes the following piecewise function continuous? Justify your answer.

$$f(x) = \frac{ae^x}{1+e^x} \quad \text{if } x < 0$$

$$f(x) = \sqrt{x} \sin(x^2 - x) + 1 \quad \text{if } x \geq 0$$

Question 10

Compute the following limits.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{2x^2 + 1}{3x^2 + 2x + \sqrt{x} + 1} \right]$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \left[\frac{1}{\frac{\pi}{2} + \arctan(x)} \right]$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \left[\frac{\cos(\pi x)}{(x - 2)^5} \right]$$

Question 11

Does the following limit exist?

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{|x|}{x}$$

Now compare to this question. Does the following limit exist?

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{|x| + 1}{x + 1}$$

Question 12

Use an ϵ - δ proof to show that the function $f(x) = x^2 + 1$ is continuous at $x = 0$.

Question 13

Evaluate the following limit

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} e^{\arctan(x) + (e^{3x}) - 1}$$

Justify your steps, by using the continuity of functions.

Question 14

Consider the function

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \cos(x^2)$$

Does $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x)$ exist? If it does not exist, is $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x)$ infinity, negative infinity, or neither?

Question 15

Let us consider the graph of $f(x) = \sqrt{x - 2} + 3$. What transformations need to be applied to the graph of f to get the graph of $g(x) = -2\sqrt{x + 2}$?