# Math 1A: Discussion 9/12/2018 Problems

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After this week, you should be able to:

- Find the average velocity over a time interval.
- Determine the limit of a function from its graph.
- Find a limit by plugging in.
- Find a limit that gives 0/0 when plugging in by applying one of the following strategies:
  - Factoring the numerator and denominator and canceling.
  - Simplifying.
  - Rationalizing the numerator.
- Use asymptotic analysis to find infinite limits.

You will also be expected to be comfortable with the following precalculus concepts:

- Factoring quadratic polynomials. Recognizing difference of squares.
- Knowing the graph of the exponential function  $e^x$ , the logarithm  $\log(x)$ , and sine/cosine/tangent.
- Computing unit circle values of sine, cosine, and tangent quickly (use a reference angle, and then use All Students Take Calculus).
- Add and subtract fractions with variables by putting everything over a common denominator.

## Problem Set 1

#### **Question 1: Precalculus Review**

Do these questions as fast and accurately as possible.

- Expand (3-2x)(3+2x).
- Factor  $x^2 9$  and  $x^2 5x + 6$ .
- Compute  $\sin\left(\frac{4\pi}{3}\right)$ ,  $\cos\left(\frac{4\pi}{3}\right)$ , and  $\tan\left(\frac{4\pi}{3}\right)$ .
- Simplify

$$\frac{2}{1-x} + \frac{1}{2-x}$$

 $\log_4\left(\frac{1}{8}\right)$ 

• Compute

## Problem Set 2

## Question 2: Limits, Limits Everywhere

Compute the following limits. Some of them might be infinite.

$$\begin{split} \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\cos(2x)}{1 + 2\sin(x)} \\ \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{\sqrt{1 + h^2} - 1}{h} \\ \lim_{x \to 2} \frac{\frac{1}{(x-1)^2} - 1}{x - 2} \\ \lim_{x \to x^+} \frac{x^2}{\sin(x)} \\ \lim_{x \to 3} \frac{x^2 - 6x + 9}{x^2 - 9} \\ \lim_{x \to 0} e^{-x} \sin\left(x + \frac{5\pi}{6}\right) \\ \lim_{x \to 0^+} e^x \ln(x) \\ \lim_{x \to 0^+} e^x \ln(x) \\ \lim_{x \to 0^+} \frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{x^2}{1 - \tan(x)} \\ \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{e^{(e^x - 1)}}{1 + e^x} \\ \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{\sqrt{2 + h} - \sqrt{2 - h}}{h} \\ \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{\frac{1}{1 + h} + \frac{1}{1 - h} - 2}{h^2} \end{split}$$

# Problem Set 3

No more questions!