

# Math 201 Quiz 5B

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**Instructions:** No calculators. Use your own scrap. Write your fully simplified answers in the space provided.

1. Compute the following limits, or write "DNE" if they do not exist.  $\infty$  and  $-\infty$  are valid answers:

(a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{x-4}{x^2-4x+4} = -\infty$       (b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{-5x}{\sqrt{9+x^2}} = 5$

(c)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\cos^2 x}{x} = 0$       (d)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\cos x - x}{4x + \cos^2 x} = -1/4$

(e)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\sqrt{5x^2 + 4x + 7} - \sqrt{5x^2 + x + 3}) = 3/2\sqrt{5}$

(f)  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(2t^3+1)^2}{(2t+1)^4(t^2+t)} = 1/4$       (g)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{\pi x^4 - 2x^3 + 15}{\cos(2) + 3x^4 - 7x} = \pi/3$

(h)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{4x^2 + 9x^4}{5 - 3x^3} = \infty$       (i)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{\pi x^3 + 3x^2 - 1}{\sin(\frac{2\pi}{7})x^3 + 2x^4 - 3\pi} = 0$

(j)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} (x^4 - x^3) = \infty$

2. Note that for the function  $f(x) = 3/(x-2)$  we have that  $f(-3) < 0$  and  $f(3) > 0$ . Since we have  $f(-3) < 0 < f(3)$ , are we guaranteed to have a solution to  $f(x) = 0$  in the interval  $(-3, 3)$ ? If yes, say so and state what theorem you used. If no, state so and say why.

No! The function is not continuous on  $[-3, 3]$ ; also, it is never zero!  
(non-zero numerator!)

3. State where the given functions are continuous. Use interval notation.

(a)  $f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x + 1, & x < 0 \\ \cos x, & 0 < x \leq \pi/2 \\ x - \pi, & x > \pi/2 \end{cases}$        $(-\infty, \pi/2) \cup (\pi/2, \infty)$

(b)  $f(x) = \frac{4}{\sqrt{1+7/x}}$        $(-\infty, -7) \cup (0, \infty)$

4. Find the values of  $a$  and  $b$  that make the function continuous for all  $x$ .

$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2, & x < 2 \\ ax + b, & 2 \leq x \leq 5 \\ 3x + 1, & 5 < x \end{cases}$       For continuity,  $a = 4$  and  $b = -4$

**Bonus:**

(a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos x^2}{x^4} = 1/2$

(b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x^4 \cos x}{4 - x^4} = \text{DNE}$

(c) Let  $f(x)$  be a differentiable function. Define  $f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$  or  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a}$

(d) What is the equation of the tangent line to  $y = x^4$  at the point where  $x = 1$ ?  $y - 1 = 4(x - 1)$  or  $y = 4x - 3$