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INSTRUCTIONS:

- Clearly show all work where instructed.
- Write answer in space provided or circle/box answer.
- If a limit may be classified as ∞ or $-\infty$, say so (and which one).
- If a limit does not exist and cannot be classified as ∞ or $-\infty$, write DNE

KEEP CALM AND DO SOME CALCULUS !

1.(5pts). Let $f(x)$ be a function of x . Write down the definition of “ $f(x)$ is continuous at $x = a$.”

Ans. *The limit $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$ exists and equals $f(a)$. Or*

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x) = f(a)$$

2.(10pts). Let

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 + 3x & \text{if } x \leq -2 \\ x & \text{if } -2 < x < 3 \\ \sqrt{x+1} & \text{if } x \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

- (1) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3} f(x) = 0$
- (2) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} f(x) = -2$
- (3) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x) = DNE$
- (4) $f(x)$ is NOT continuous at $x = 3$.

3.(5pts). [Graph it] Sketch a possible graph for $f(x)$ if

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -3^-} f(x) = 3; \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow -3^+} f(x) = -2; \quad f(-3) = 0; \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = 0$$

Ans. *Omit here.*

4.(20pts). [Show me your limits]

Evaluate the following limits. **Simplify** answers as much as possible, show your work in the spaces provided, and circle or box your final answer.

(1) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} (x^3 + \cos(x))$

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} (x^3 + \cos(x)) \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} x^3 + \lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} \cos(x) \\ &= \pi^3 + \cos(\pi) \\ &= \pi^3 - 1 \end{aligned}$$

(2) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} e^{2x-x^2}$

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} e^{2x-x^2} \\ &= e^{\left(\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} 2x - x^2\right)} \\ &= e^{\left(\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} -x^2\right)} \\ &= e^{-\infty} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

(3) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(3x)}{\tan(2x)}$

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(3x)}{\tan(2x)} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(\sin(3x))(3x)(2x)}{(3x)(2x)(\tan(3x))} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(3x)}{3x} \cdot \frac{3x}{2x} \cdot \frac{2x}{\tan(2x)} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(3x)}{3x} \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{3x}{2x} \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2x}{\tan(2x)} \\ &= 1 \cdot \frac{3}{2} \cdot 1 = \frac{3}{2} \end{aligned}$$

(4) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{\sqrt{x^2 - 3}}{x + 19}$

Since the limit here is $x \rightarrow -\infty$, we can think x to be negative, hence

$$x = -\sqrt{x^2}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{\sqrt{x^2 - 3}}{x + 19} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{\frac{\sqrt{x^2 - 3}}{x}}{\frac{x + 19}{x}} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{-\sqrt{\frac{x^2 - 3}{x^2}}}{\frac{x + 19}{x}} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{-\sqrt{1 - \frac{3}{x^2}}}{1 + \frac{19}{x}} \\
 &= -1
 \end{aligned}$$

5.(10pts). Use the **limit definition** to find the 1st derivative function $f'(x)$ of $f(x) = \frac{1}{x+1}$. Show all your work clearly and circle your answer.

Ans. The definition of $f'(x)$ is:

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$$

Hence here we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
 f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{x+1+h} - \frac{1}{x+1}}{h} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{(x+1) - (x+1+h)}{(x+1)(x+h+1)}}{h} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x+1) - (x+1+h)}{h(x+1)(x+h+1)} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-h}{h(x+1)(x+h+1)} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-1}{(x+1)(x+h+1)} \\
 &= \frac{-1}{(x+1)^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

6.(15pts). The **Intermediate Value Theorem** is a very powerful theorem in Calculus. It guarantees the legality of the sign chart way, for examples.

- (1) (5 pts) Fill out the Theorem.

Let $f(x)$ be a CONTINUOUS function on the closed interval $[a, b]$. If N is a number between $f(a)$ and $f(b)$, then:

There exists some number c belongs to (a, b) such that $f(c) = N$.

- (2) (10 pts) Use the Theorem to prove that the equation $e^x = \sin(\pi x) + 3x^2$ has a zero in $(0, 1)$.

Proof. Let $f(x) = e^x - \sin(\pi x) + 3x^2$. This is a linear form of simple functions, hence it is continuous on the closed interval $[0, 1]$. Also one notices that

$$f(0) = e^0 - \sin(\pi \cdot 0) + 3(0)^2 = 1 > 0$$

and

$$f(1) = e^1 - \sin(\pi \cdot 1) + 3(1)^2 = e - 3 < 0$$

Hence one picks $N = 0$, and by the I.V.T there exists some $c \in (0, 1)$ such that $f(c) = 0$. \square

7.(25pts). Find the 1st derivatives for the following functions. Show your work in the spaces provided, and circle or box your final answer.

- (1) $f(x) = e^\pi - 2^x + 2 \tan(x)$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= (e^\pi)' - (2^x)' + 2(\tan(x))' \\ &= 0 - (\ln 2)2^x + 2 \sec^2(x) \\ &= -(\ln 2)2^x + 2 \sec^2(x) \end{aligned}$$

- (2) $f(x) = \sin(x)(\ln x)$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= (\sin(x)(\ln x))' \\ &= (\sin(x))'(\ln x) + (\sin(x))(\ln x)' \\ &= \cos(x) \ln x + \sin(x) \frac{1}{x} \\ &= \cos(x) \ln x + \frac{\sin(x)}{x} \end{aligned}$$

- (3) $f(x) = \frac{x^3 - x + 2}{x^2}$

We can rewrite $f(x)$ as:

$$f(x) = \frac{x^3}{x^2} - \frac{x}{x^2} + \frac{2}{x^2} = x - \frac{1}{x} + \frac{2}{x^2}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned}
 f'(x) &= \left(x - \frac{1}{x} + \frac{2}{x^2} \right)' \\
 &= (x)' - \left(\frac{1}{x} \right)' + \left(\frac{2}{x^2} \right)' \\
 &= (x)' - (x^{-1})' + (2 \cdot x^{-2})' \\
 &= 1 - (-1)x^{-2} + 2(-2)x^{-3} \\
 &= 1 + \frac{1}{x^2} - \frac{4}{x^3}
 \end{aligned}$$

(4) (8 pts) **Simplify your answer as much as possible**

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 1}{e^x}$$

By Quotient Rule we have;

$$\begin{aligned}
 f'(x) &= \frac{(x^2 + 1)'(e^x) - (x^2 + 1)(e^x)'}{(e^x)^2} \\
 &= \frac{(2x)(e^x) - (x^2 + 1)(e^x)}{(e^x)^2} \\
 &= \frac{(2x - (x^2 + 1))(e^x)}{(e^x)^2} \\
 &= \frac{2x - x^2 - 1}{(e^x)} \\
 &= \frac{-(x - 1)^2}{(e^x)}
 \end{aligned}$$

8.(10pts). Find the equation of the tangent line of the curve $y = x^3 - 3x + 7$ at $x = 1$.

Ans. The curve is given by $y = f(x) = x^3 - 3x + 7$, hence at $x = 1$, the point is given by $(1, f(1)) = (1, 1 - 3 + 7) = (1, 5)$.

In order to find the equation of a line, we also need the slope. The slope of the tangent line is given by 1st derivative, ie, $k = f'(1)$. Here $f'(x) = (x^3 - 3x + 7)' = 3x^2 - 3$, hence $k = f'(1) = 3 - 3 = 0$.

So the equation of the tangent line is:

$$y - 5 = (0) \cdot (x - 1)$$

Which simplifies as

$$y = 5$$