

Math 131 In-Class Exam 1 Review  
Solutions

1a) The domain of  $\frac{x+1}{x-2}$  is  $(-\infty, 2) \cup (2, \infty)$   
and  $e^u$  is defined for all  $u$  so the  
domain is  $(-\infty, 2) \cup (2, \infty)$

b)  $x^2 + 4 \geq 4 > 0$  for all  $x$  so the domain  
is all real numbers,  $(-\infty, \infty)$

c)  $x^2 - 4$  must be positive. Looking at  
the graph, this is true on  
 $(-\infty, -2) \cup (2, \infty)$ .

d)  $\ln(x-2)$  is defined for  $x > 2$ ,  
 $\ln(x+2)$  is defined for  $x > -2$ ,  
So both are defined for  $x > 2$   
or on  $(2, \infty)$

Note:  $\ln(x^2 - 4) = \ln(x-2) + \ln(x+2)$   
whenever both are defined, that is  
on  $(2, \infty)$ .

e)  $\sqrt[3]{u}$  is defined for all  $u$  and  
 $x^2 - 25$  is defined for all  $x$  the  
domain is  $(-\infty, \infty)$ .

2.  $x = \#$  of pages copied. For  $0 \leq x \leq 100$ ,

$$f(x) = 0.25x \text{ dollars}$$

$$\text{For } x > 100, f(x) = 0.25(100) + 0.2(x-100)$$

$$= 25 + 0.2x - 20$$

$$= 5 + 0.2x \text{ dollars}$$

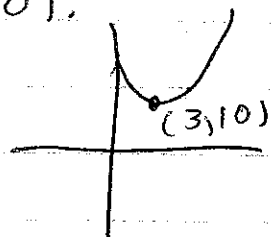
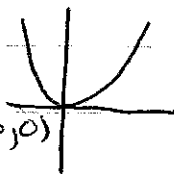
$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0.25x & 0 \leq x \leq 100 \\ 5 + 0.2x & 100 < x \end{cases}$$

3. Since  $f(x)$  is a transformation of  $x^2$  without an  $x$ -distortion, we know

$$f(x) = a(x-h)^2 + k \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{a } y\text{-distortion,} \\ \text{possibly a reflection,} \\ \text{a horiz. shift} \\ \text{and a vertical shift.} \end{array}$$

The vertex of the parabola is  $(3, 10)$  which is the transf. of  $(0, 0)$ .

$$h = 3 \text{ and } k = 10$$



Find  $a$ : Plug in  $(2, 15)$   $(0, 0)$

$$f(2) = a(2-3)^2 + 10 = a + 10 = 15$$

$$\text{so } a = 5$$

$$f(x) = 5(x-3)^2 + 10$$

4. a) The vertical asymptote of  $y = \ln x$  is  $x = 0$  which has been shifted to  $x = -4$  so  $C = 4$ .

$$f(x) = A + B \ln(x+4)$$

Plug in the given pts. to solve for  $A$  and  $B$ :

$$e^{-4} + 4 = e \text{ and } \ln e = \log_e e = 1 \text{ so}$$

$$f(e^{-4}) = A + B = 3$$

$$e^2 - 4 + 4 = e^2 \text{ and } \ln e^2 = 2 \text{ so}$$

$$f(e^2 - 4) = A + 2B = 0$$

$$A + 2B = 0$$

$$A + B = 3$$

subtract

$$B = -3$$

Substitute  $B = -3$  into

$$A + B = 3$$

$$A + (-3) = 3 \quad A = 6$$

$$f(x) = 6 - 3 \ln(x+4)$$

$$4 \text{ b) } A = -2 \quad A + B e^{c \cdot 0} = -2 + B = 0$$

$$B = 2$$

$$f(x) = -2 + 2e^{cx}$$

$$f(1) = -2 + 2e^c = -1$$

$$2e^c = 1 \quad e^c = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$c = \ln\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$f(x) = -2 + 2e^{x \ln\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)} = -2 + 2e^{\ln\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^x}$$

$$= \boxed{-2 + 2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^x}$$

$$5. \text{ a) } e^{-2x} = (e^{-x})^2$$

$$\text{so } f(g(x)) = (e^{-x})^2 + 5e^{-x} + 1$$

$$g(x) = e^{-x} \quad \text{and} \quad f(x) = x^2 + 5x + 1$$

$$\text{b) } g(x) = x^2 + 3 \quad \text{and} \quad f(x) = \ln x$$

$$6. \text{ a) } N(t) = 200(1.5)^{t/3}$$

$$\text{b) } (1.5)^{t/3} = e^{\ln(1.5)^{t/3}} = e^{t \frac{\ln 1.5}{3}}$$

$$N(t) = 200e^{t \left(\frac{\ln 1.5}{3}\right)}$$

7. The quartic fits the given data a little better but turns downward past  $x=90$ . Since stamp prices will probably continue to rise, the exponential would be better for extrapolating.

8a) Switching  $x$  and  $y$  and solving for  $y$ :

$$x = 5e^{3y} \quad \frac{x}{5} = e^{3y} \quad \ln \frac{x}{5} = 3y$$

$$y = \frac{1}{3} \ln \left( \frac{x}{5} \right) = \frac{1}{3} \ln x - \frac{1}{3} \ln 5 = f^{-1}(x)$$

b)  $x = \ln(2y - 5) \quad e^x = 2y - 5$

$$e^x + 5 = 2y$$

$$f^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{2} e^x + \frac{5}{2}$$

9. a)  $x = e^{\ln(2^4)} = 2^4 = 16$

b)  $\sqrt{4} = 2$

$$4^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\boxed{x = -\frac{1}{2}}$$

c)  $\log_2(x+3) - \log_2(x+4) = 3; \log_2 \left( \frac{x+3}{x+4} \right) = 3$

$$\frac{x+3}{x+4} = 2^3 = 8$$

$$x+3 = 8x+32$$

$$-29 = 7x$$

$$\frac{-29}{7} = x \text{ so } \boxed{\text{no solution}}$$

We cannot plug  $-\frac{29}{7} + 3$  or  $-\frac{29}{7} + 4$  into  $\log u$ .

10. Find  $d(5)$  and  $d(2)$ :

$$d(5) = 162 - 2(25) = 112$$

$$d(2) = 162 - 2(4) = 154$$

$$\frac{d(5) - d(2)}{5 - 2} = \frac{112 - 154}{3} = \frac{-42}{3} = -14 \frac{\text{ft}}{\text{sec}}$$

is  $v_{\text{avg}}$ .

Find  $v_{\text{inst}}$  at 2 sec:

$$\frac{d(t) - d(2)}{t - 2} = \frac{162 - 2t^2 - 154}{t - 2} = \frac{8 - 2t^2}{t - 2}$$

$$= \frac{2(4 - t^2)}{t - 2} = \frac{2(2 - t)(2 + t)}{t - 2} \quad \frac{2 - t}{t - 2} = -1$$

$$= -2(t + 2) \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow 2} -2(2 + 2) = -8 \text{ ft/sec}$$

The negative means it is going left.

going back towards the starting point at the start.

11. a) Substitution of  $x=1$  gives " $\frac{0}{0}$ ".

Factoring we have:

$$\frac{2(x^2+2x-3)}{(x-1)(x+1)} = \frac{2(x+3)(x-1)}{(x-1)(x+1)} = \frac{2(x+3)}{x+1}, \text{ if } x \neq 1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x) = \frac{2(1+3)}{1+1} = \frac{8}{2} = \boxed{4}$$

b) Since substituting  $-1$  gives " $\frac{\text{nonzero}}{0}$ ", the limit is  $\boxed{\text{DNE}}$ .

c) Substituting  $x=-3$  gives  $\boxed{0}$ .

12. a) First find  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{1}{x} = -\infty$

$$\lim_{u \rightarrow -\infty} e^u = 0 \quad \text{so } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} e^{1/x} = 0$$

b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{x} = +\infty$  so  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} e^{1/x} = +\infty$

$$\text{c) } \frac{4x^5 - 15x^2}{2x^2 - 5} \sim \frac{4x^5}{2x^2} = 2x^3 \rightarrow \boxed{\infty}$$

$x \rightarrow \infty$

$\sim$  means "has the same limit as"

d) Same as c except  $x \rightarrow -\infty$  and  $2x^3$  is negative so the limit is  $\boxed{-\infty}$  for  $x < 0$

12e) Both go to  $\infty$  and " $\infty - \infty$ " is indeterminate.  
 So conjugate:

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{x^2-15x} - \sqrt{x^2+2x} &= \frac{(x^2-15x) - (x^2+2x)}{\sqrt{x^2-15x} + \sqrt{x^2+2x}} \\ &= \frac{-17x}{\sqrt{x^2-15x} + \sqrt{x^2+2x}} \sim \frac{-17x}{2x} \\ &\xrightarrow{x \rightarrow \infty} \boxed{-\frac{17}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

$$12f) \frac{\sqrt{x} + 1}{-3\sqrt{x} + 2} \sim \frac{\sqrt{x}}{-3\sqrt{x}} \xrightarrow{x \rightarrow \infty} \boxed{-\frac{1}{3}}$$

13. a)  $f$  is continuous for all  $x$ . No discontin.  
 since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} e^{1/2x} = 0$  and  $\sin 0 = 0 = f(0)$   
 and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \sin x = 0$ .

b)  $x^2 - 1 = (x-1)(x+1)$  We need to check  $x = -1$  and  $x = 1$ .  
 Factor numerator:  $2(x^2 + 2x - 3) = 2(x+3)(x-1)$   
 $g(x) = \frac{2(x+3)(x-1)}{(x+1)(x-1)} = \frac{2(x+3)}{x+1}$  if  $x \neq 1$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} g(x)$  DNE and  $g$  has a V.A.  $x = -1$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} g(x) = \frac{2(1+3)}{1+1} = 4$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} g(x) = 4(1) = 4 = g(1)$$

So the only discontinuity is at  $-1$ .