

Mathematics 125 **Midterm 1**

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1.(15 pts) Find the following limits *if* they exist. The values of the limits may take  $+\infty$  or  $-\infty$ . Briefly justify your answers for each case. (If the limit does not exist, explain why not.)

a)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{1}{x^2 + 2x - 3}.$$

b)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x - 1}{x^2 + 2x - 3}.$$

c)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\sqrt{x-1}}{x-1}$$

d)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{|x|}{x}.$$

**2.**(20 pts) Suppose

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

**a)** Find the values of  $f(0)$ ,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x)$ ,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x)$ ,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} f(x)$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x)$ .

**b)** Using your answers from **a)**, draw the graph of  $y = f(x)$ .

**3.**(20 pts) Match the graph of each function in (a)-(d) with the graph of its derivative in I-IV.

4.(20 pts) a)  $f$  is defined as follows;

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x \cos \frac{1}{x} & \text{when } x \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{when } x = 0 \end{cases}$$

Show  $f$  is continuous at  $x = 0$ . (Hint: What was the definition of continuity?)

b)  $g$  is defined as follows;

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 \cos \frac{1}{x} & \text{when } x \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{when } x = 0 \end{cases}$$

Show  $g$  is differentiable at  $x = 0$ . (Hint: what was the definition of differentiability?)

5.(20 pts) The table shows the polulation  $P(t)$  of Nepal (in millions) as of June 30 of the given year.

t	1975	1980	1985	1990	1995
P(t)	14.0	15.4	17.1	19.4	22.0

a) Estimate the value of  $P'(1985)$ . Explain your reasoning for the estimate.

b) Using your answer from a), find the equation of tangent line to the graph  $y = P(t)$  at  $t = 1985$ .

c) Estimate the value of  $P(1986)$  using linear apporximation.