

**MATH 16A MIDTERM 1(PRACTICE 1)
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INSTRUCTED TO DO SO.**

CALCULATORS ARE NOT PERMITTED

**YOU MAY USE YOUR OWN BLANK
PAPER FOR ROUGH WORK**

**SO AS NOT TO DISTURB OTHER
STUDENTS, EVERYONE MUST STAY
UNTIL THE EXAM IS COMPLETE**

**REMEMBER THIS EXAM IS GRADED BY
A HUMAN BEING. WRITE YOUR
SOLUTIONS NEATLY AND
COHERENTLY, OR THEY RISK NOT
RECEIVING FULL CREDIT**

**THIS EXAM WILL BE ELECTRONICALLY
SCANNED. MAKE SURE YOU WRITE ALL
SOLUTIONS IN THE SPACES PROVIDED.
YOU MAY WRITE SOLUTIONS ON THE
BLANK PAGE AT THE BACK BUT BE
SURE TO CLEARLY LABEL THEM**

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This exam consists of 5 questions. Answer the questions in the spaces provided.

1. Determine the domains of the following functions:

(a)

$$\ln(x^2 + 1)$$

Solution:

Domain of $\ln(x)$ is $(0, \infty)$

$$x^2 + 1 > 0 \quad \text{for all } x$$

\Rightarrow Domain of $\ln(x^2 + 1)$ is all real numbers

(b)

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

Solution:

$$\frac{x+2}{x-1} \geq 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$x+2 \geq 0$$

$$x-1 > 0$$

OR

$$x+2 \leq 0$$

$$x-1 < 0$$

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$$x \geq -2$$

$$x > 1$$

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$$x > 1$$

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$$x \leq -2$$

$$x < 1$$

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$$x \leq -2$$

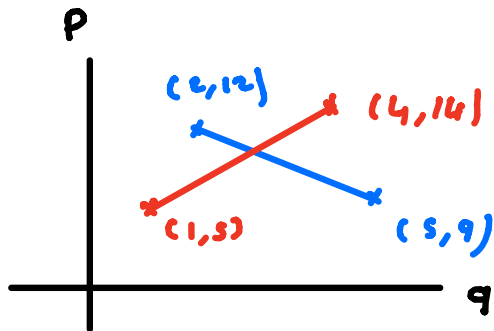
\Rightarrow Domain = $(-\infty, -2] \cup (1, \infty)$

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2. (25 points) A product is to be supplied and sold. If the price per unit is 5 dollars the supplier is willing to provide 1 unit. If the price per unit is 14 dollars the supplier is willing to provide 4 units. If the price per unit is 12 dollars the demand is 2 units. If the price per unit is 9 dollars the demand is 5 units.

(a) Determine the supply and demand equations in this situation.

Solution:



$$\text{Supply : } p - 5 = \frac{14 - 5}{4 - 1} (q - 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow p - 5 = 3(q - 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow p = 3q + 2$$

$$\text{Demand : } p - 9 = \frac{9 - 12}{5 - 2} (q - 5)$$

$$\Rightarrow p - 9 = -(q - 5)$$

$$\Rightarrow p = -q + 14$$

(b) For what prices per unit will there be a surplus?

Solution:

$$\text{Equilibrium : } 3q + 2 = -q + 14$$

$$\Rightarrow 4q = 12 \Rightarrow q = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow p = 11 \text{ dollars}$$

If the price is more than 11 dollars there will be a surplus

3. Calculate the following limits. If they do not exist determine if they are ∞ or $-\infty$.

(a)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\ln(x+1)}{x+1}$$

Solution:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\ln(x+1)}{x+1} = \frac{\ln(1+1)}{1+1} = \frac{\ln(2)}{2}$$

(b)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\ln(2x+1) - \ln(3x-2))$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\ln(2x+1) - \ln(3x-2)) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \ln\left(\frac{2x+1}{3x-2}\right) \\ &= \ln\left(\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x+1}{3x-2}\right) = \ln\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) \end{aligned}$$

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(c)

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

Solution:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} \sqrt{1-x} = \sqrt{1-(-1)} = \sqrt{2} > 0$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} x^2 + 2x + 1 = \lim_{x \rightarrow -1} (x+1)^2 = 0^+$$

$$\frac{-1}{(x+1)^2 > 0} \quad (x+1)^2 > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow -1} \frac{\sqrt{1-x}}{x^2 + 2x + 1} = \infty \quad (\text{DNE})$$

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4. Using limits, calculate the derivative of $f(x) = 3x^{-2}$. $= \frac{3}{x^2}$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}
 f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{3}{(x+h)^2} - \frac{3}{x^2}}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{3x^2 - 3(x+h)^2}{h(x+h)^2 x^2} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cancel{3x^2} - \cancel{3x^2} - 6xh - 3h^2}{h(x+h)^2 x^2} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-6x - 3h}{(x+h)^2 x^2} = \frac{-6x}{(x+0)^2 x^2} = \frac{-6}{x^3}
 \end{aligned}$$

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5. let $f(x) = \frac{3x^2+2x+a}{x^2-2x+1}$, for a a real number. Is there a value of a for which $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x)$ exists? Carefully justify your answer.

Solution:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} 3x^2 + 2x + a = 5 + a$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (x^2 - 2x + 1) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (x-1)^2 = 0$$

\Rightarrow If $5 + a \neq 0$ limit of quotient DNE.

Assume $5 + a = 0 \Rightarrow a = -5$

$$3x^2 + 2x - 5 = (3x + 5)(x - 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3x^2 + 2x - 5}{x^2 - 2x + 1} = \frac{3x + 5}{x - 1}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} 3x + 5 = 8 \neq 0$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} x - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{3x + 5}{x - 1} \text{ DNE}$$

\Rightarrow There is no value of a we can choose to make the limit exist.