

2.14. Evaluate each of the following, using theorems on limits.

$$(a) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3n^2 - 5n}{5n^2 + 2n - 6} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3 - 5/n}{5 + 2/n - 6/n^2} = \frac{3 + 0}{5 + 0 + 0} = \frac{3}{5}$$

$$(b) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \frac{n(n+2)}{n+1} - \frac{n^3}{n^2+1} \right\} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \frac{n^3 + n^2 + 2n}{(n+1)(n^2+1)} \right\} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \frac{1 + 1/n + 2/n^2}{(1 + 1/n)(1 + 1/n^2)} \right\} \\ = \frac{1 + 0 + 0}{(1 + 0) \cdot (1 + 0)} = 1$$

$$(c) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n}) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n}) \frac{\sqrt{n+1} + \sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{n+1} + \sqrt{n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+1} + \sqrt{n}} = 0$$

$$(d) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3n^2 + 4n}{2n - 1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3 + 4/n}{2/n - 1/n^2}$$

Since the limits of the numerator and the denominator are 3 and 0, respectively, the limit does not exist.

Since  $\frac{3n^2 + 4n}{2n - 1} > \frac{3n^2}{2n} = \frac{3n}{2}$  can be made larger than any positive number  $M$  by choosing  $n > N$ , we can

write, if desired,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3n^2 + 4n}{2n - 1} = \infty$ .

$$(e) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{2n-3}{2n+7} \right)^4 = \left( \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2-3/n}{3+7/n} \right)^4 = \left( \frac{2}{3} \right)^4 = \frac{16}{81}$$

$$(f) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2n^5 - 4n^2}{3n^7 + n^3 - 10} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2/n^2 - 4/n^5}{3 + 1/n^4 - 10/n^7} = \frac{0}{3} = 0$$

$$(g) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 + 2 \cdot 10^n}{5 + 3 \cdot 10^n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{10^{-n} + 2}{5 \cdot 10^{-n} + 3} = \frac{2}{3} \quad (\text{Compare with Problem 2.5.})$$

### Bounded monotonic sequences

2.15. Prove that the sequence with  $n$ th  $u_n = \frac{2n-7}{3n+2}$  (a) is monotonic increasing, (b) is bounded above, (c) is bounded below, (d) is bounded, (e) has a limit.

(a)  $\{u_n\}$  is monotonic increasing if  $u_{n+1} \geq u_n$ ,  $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$  Now

$$\frac{2(n+1)-7}{3(n+1)+2} \geq \frac{2n-7}{3n+2} \quad \text{if and only if} \quad \frac{2n-5}{2n+5} \geq \frac{2n-7}{3n+2}$$

or  $(2n-5)(3n+2) \geq (2n-7)(3n+5)$ ,  $6n^2 - 11n - 10 \geq 6n^2 - 11n - 35$ , i.e.,  $-10 \geq -35$ , which is true. Thus, by reversal of steps in the inequalities, we see that  $\{u_n\}$  is monotonic increasing. Actually, since  $-10 > -35$ , the sequence is strictly increasing.

(b) By writing some terms of the sequence, we may guess that an upper bound is 2 (for example). To prove this we must show that  $u_n \leq 2$ . If  $(2n-7)/(3n+2) \leq 2$ , then  $2n-7 \leq 6n+4$  or  $-4n < 11$ , which is true. Reversal of steps proves that 2 is an upper bound.

(c) Since this particular sequence is monotonic increasing, the first term  $-1$  is a lower bound; i.e.,  $u_n \geq -1$ ,  $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$  Any number less than  $-1$  is also a lower bound.

(d) Since the sequence has an upper and a lower bound, it is bounded. Thus, for example, we can write  $|u_n| \leq 2$  for all  $n$ .

(e) Since every bounded monotonic (increasing or decreasing) sequence has a limit, the given sequence has a limit. In fact,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2n-7}{3n+2} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2-7/n}{3+2/n} = \frac{2}{3}$ .

- 2.16. A sequence  $\{u_n\}$  is defined by the recursion formula  $u_{n+1} = \sqrt{3u_n}$ ,  $u_1 = 1$ . (a) Prove that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n$  exists. (b) Find the limit in (a).
- (a) The terms of the sequence are  $u_1 = 1$ ,  $u_2 = \sqrt{3u_1} = 3^{1/2}$ ,  $u_3 = \sqrt{3u_2} = 3^{1/2+1/4}$ ,  $\dots$ .  
 The  $n$ th term is given by  $u_n = 3^{1/2+1/4+\dots+1/2n-1}$ , as can be proved by mathematical induction (Chapter 1).  
 Clearly,  $u_{n+1} \geq u_n$ . Then the sequence is monotonic increasing.  
 By Problem 1.14,  $u_n \leq 3^1 = 3$ , i.e.,  $u_n$  is bounded above. Hence,  $u_n$  is bounded (since a lower bound is zero).  
 Thus, a limit exists, since the sequence is bounded and monotonic increasing.
- (b) Let  $x =$  required limit. Since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_{n+1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{3u_n}$ , we have  $x = \sqrt{3x}$  and  $x = 3$ . (The other possibility,  $x = 0$ , is excluded, since  $u_n \geq 1$ .)

Another method:  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 3^{1/2+1/4+\dots+1/2n-1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 3^{1-1/2^n} = 3 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1-1/2^n) = 3^1 = 3$

- 2.17. Verify the validity of the entries in the following table.

SEQUENCE	BOUNDED	MONOTONIC INCREASING	MONOTONIC DECREASING	LIMIT EXISTS
$2, 1.9, 1.8, 1.7, \dots, 2 - (n-1)/10 \dots$	No	No	Yes	No
$1, -1, 1, -1, \dots, (-1)^{n-1}, \dots$	Yes	No	No	No
$\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{4}, -\frac{1}{5}, \dots, (-1)^{n-1}/(n+1), \dots$	Yes	No	No	Yes (0)
$.6, .66, .666, \dots, \frac{2}{3} (1 - 1/10^n), \dots$	Yes	Yes	No	Yes ( $\frac{2}{3}$ )
$-1, +2, -3, +4, -5, \dots, (-1)^n n, \dots$	No	No	No	No

- 2.18. Prove that the sequence with the  $n$ th term  $u_n = \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n$  is monotonic, increasing, and bounded, and thus a limit exists. The limit is denoted by the symbol  $e$ .

Note:  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n = e$ , where  $e \cong 2.71828 \dots$  was introduced in the eighteenth century by Leonhart

Euler as the base for a system of logarithms in order to simplify certain differentiation and integration formulas.

By the binomial theorem, if  $n$  is a positive integer (see Problem 1.95),

$$(1+x)^n = 1 + nx + \frac{n(n-1)}{2!}x^2 + \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)}{3!}x^3 + \dots + \frac{n(n-1)\dots(n-n+1)}{n!}x^n$$

Letting  $x = 1/n$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} u^n &= \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n = 1 + n \frac{1}{n} + \frac{n(n-1)}{2!} \frac{1}{n^2} + \dots + \frac{n(n-1)\dots(n-n+1)}{n!} \frac{1}{n^n} \\ &= 1 + 1 + \frac{1}{2!} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right) + \frac{1}{3!} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right) \left(1 - \frac{2}{n}\right) \\ &\quad + \dots + \frac{1}{n!} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right) \left(1 - \frac{2}{n}\right) \dots \left(1 - \frac{n-1}{n}\right) \end{aligned}$$

Since each term beyond the first two terms in the last expression is an increasing function of  $n$ , it follows that the sequence  $u_n$  is a monotonic increasing sequence.



It is also clear that

$$\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n < 1 + 1 + \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{3!} + \dots + \frac{1}{n!} < 1 + 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} < 3$$

by Problem 1.14.

Thus,  $u_n$  is bounded and monotonic increasing, and so has a limit which we denote by  $e$ . The value of  $e = 2.71828 \dots$

- 2.19. Prove that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^x = e$ , where  $x \rightarrow \infty$  in any manner whatsoever (i.e., not necessarily along the positive integers, as in Problem 2.18).

If  $n = \text{largest integer} \leq x$ , then  $n \leq x \leq n+1$  and  $\left(1 + \frac{1}{n+1}\right)^n \leq \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^x \leq \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^{n+1}$ . Since

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n+1}\right)^n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n+1}\right)^{n+1} / \left(1 + \frac{1}{n+1}\right) = e \text{ and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^{n+1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right) = e,$$

it follows that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^x = e$ .

### Least upper bound, greatest lower bound, limit superior, limit inferior

- 2.20. Find the (a) l.u.b., (b) g.l.b., (c)  $\limsup$  ( $\overline{\lim}$ ), and (d)  $\liminf$  ( $\underline{\lim}$ ) for the sequence  $2, -2, 1, -1, 1, -1, 1, -1, \dots$
- l.u.b. = 2, since all terms are less than or equal to 2, while at least one term (the 1st) is greater than  $2 - \epsilon$  for any  $\epsilon > 0$ .
  - g.l.b. = -2, since all terms are greater than or equal to -2, while at least one term (the 2nd) is less than  $-2 + \epsilon$  for any  $\epsilon > 0$ .
  - $\limsup$  or  $\overline{\lim} = 1$ , since infinitely many terms of the sequence are greater than  $1 - \epsilon$  for any  $\epsilon > 0$  (namely, all 1's in the sequence), while only a finite number of terms are greater than  $1 + \epsilon$  for any  $\epsilon > 0$  (namely, the 1st term).
  - $\liminf$  or  $\underline{\lim} = -1$ , since infinitely many terms of the sequence are less than  $-1 + \epsilon$  for any  $\epsilon > 0$  (namely, all -1's in the sequence), while only a finite number of terms are less than  $-1 - \epsilon$  for any  $\epsilon > 0$  (namely, the 2nd term).

- 2.21. Find the (a) l.u.b., (b) g.l.b., (c)  $\limsup$  ( $\overline{\lim}$ ), and (d)  $\liminf$  ( $\underline{\lim}$ ) for the sequences in Problem 2.17.

The results are shown in the following table.

SEQUENCE	l.u.b.	g.l.b.	$\limsup$ or $\overline{\lim}$	$\liminf$ or $\underline{\lim}$
$2, 1.9, 1.8, 1.7, \dots, 2 - (n-1)/10 \dots$	2	none	$-\infty$	$-\infty$
$1, -1, 1, -1, \dots, (-1)^{n-1}, \dots$	1	-1	1	-1
$\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{4}, -\frac{1}{5}, \dots, (-1)^{n-1}/(n+1), \dots$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$-\frac{1}{3}$	0	0
$.6, .66, .666, \dots, \frac{2}{3} (1 - 1/10^n), \dots$	$\frac{2}{3}$	6	$\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{2}{3}$
$-1, +2, -3, +4, -5, \dots, (-1)^n n, \dots$	none	none	$+\infty$	$-\infty$



2.44. Evaluate each of the following, using theorems on limits:

$$(a) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4 - 2n - 3n^2}{2n^2 + n}$$

$$(d) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4 \cdot 10^n - 3 \cdot 10^{2n}}{3 \cdot 10^{n-1} + 2 \cdot 10^{2n-1}}$$

$$(b) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[3]{\frac{(3 - \sqrt{n})(\sqrt{n} + 2)}{8n - 4}}$$

$$(e) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\sqrt{n^2 + n} - n)$$

$$(c) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{3n^2 - 5n + 4}}{2n - 7}$$

$$(f) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (2^n + 3^n)^{1/n}$$

Ans. (a)  $-3/2$  (b)  $-1/2$  (c)  $\sqrt{3}/2$  (d)  $-15$  (e)  $1/2$  (f)  $3$

### Bounded monotonic sequences

2.45. Prove that the sequence with  $n$ th term  $u_n = u_n = \sqrt{n}/(n+1)$  is monotonic decreasing, (a) is bounded below, (c) is bounded above, and (d) has a limit. *COMPUTE THE*

2.46. If  $u_n = \frac{1}{1+n} + \frac{1}{2+n} + \frac{1}{3+n} + \cdots + \frac{1}{n+n}$ , prove that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n$  exists and lies between 0 and 1.

2.47. If  $u_n = \sqrt{u_n + 1}$ ,  $u_1 = 1$ , prove that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \sqrt{5})$ .

2.48. If  $u_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2}(u_n + p/u_n)$  where  $p > 0$  and  $u_1 > 0$ , prove that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = \sqrt{p}$ . Show how this can be used to determine  $\sqrt{2}$ .

2.49. If  $u_n$  is monotonic increasing (or monotonic decreasing), prove that  $S_n/n$ , where  $S_n = u_1 + u_2 + \cdots + u_n$  is also monotonic increasing (or monotonic decreasing).

### Least upper bound, greatest lower bound, limit superior, limit inferior

2.50. Find the l.u.b., g.l.b.,  $\limsup$  ( $\overline{\lim}$ ), and  $\liminf$  ( $\underline{\lim}$ ) for each sequence:

$$(a) -1, \frac{1}{3}, -\frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{7}, \dots, (-1)^n/(2n-1), \dots$$

$$(c) 1, -3, 5, -7, \dots, (-1)^{n-1}(2n-1), \dots$$

$$(b) \frac{2}{3}, -\frac{3}{4}, \frac{4}{5}, -\frac{5}{6}, \dots, (-1)^{n+1}(n+1)/(n+2), \dots$$

$$(d) 1, 4, 1, 16, 1, 36, \dots, n^{1+(-1)^n}, \dots$$

Ans. (a)  $\frac{1}{3}, -1, 0, 0$  (b)  $1, -1, 1, -1$  (c) none, none,  $+\infty, -\infty$  (d) none,  $1, +\infty, 1$

2.51. Prove that a bounded sequence  $\{u_n\}$  is convergent if and only if  $\overline{\lim} u_n = \underline{\lim} u_n$ .

### Infinite series

2.52. Find the sum of the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^n$ .

Ans. 2





- 3.63. If  $[x]$  = largest integer  $\leq x$ , evaluate (a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \{x - [x]\}$  and (b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} \{x - [x]\}$ .  
 Ans. (a) 0 and (b) 1
- 3.64. If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) = A$ , prove that (a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \{f(x)\}^2 = A^2$  and (b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \sqrt[3]{f(x)} = \sqrt[3]{A}$ . What generalizations of these do you suspect are true? Can you prove them?
- 3.65. If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) = A$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} g(x) = B$ , prove that (a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \{f(x) - g(x)\} = A - B$  and (b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \{af(x) + bg(x)\} = aA + bB$ , where  $a, b =$  any constants.
- 3.66. If the limits of  $f(x)$ ,  $g(x)$ , and  $h(x)$  are  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$  respectively, prove that (a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \{f(x) + g(x) + h(x)\} = A + B + C$  and (b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x)g(x)h(x) = ABC$ . Generalize these results.

✗ 3.67. Evaluate each of the following using the theorems on limits.

(a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1/2} \left\{ \frac{2x^2 - 1}{(3x + 2)(5x - 3)} - \frac{2 - 3x}{x^2 - 5x + 3} \right\}$

(b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(3x - 1)(2x + 3)}{(5x - 3)(4x + 5)}$

(c)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \left( \frac{3x}{x - 1} - \frac{2x}{x + 1} \right)$

(d)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{1}{x - 1} \left( \frac{1}{x + 3} - \frac{2x}{3x + 5} \right)$

Ans. (a)  $-8/21$  (b)  $3/10$  (c) 1 (d)  $1/32$

✗ 3.68. Evaluate  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt[3]{8 + h} - 2}{h}$ . (Hint: Let  $8 + h = x^3$ .)  
 Ans.  $1/12$

3.69. If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) = A$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} g(x) = B \neq 0$ , prove directly that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{A}{B}$ .

✗ 3.70. Given  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 3x}{x} = 1$ , evaluate: *COMPUTE THE LIMITS:*

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

(e)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{6x - \sin 2x}{2x + 3 \sin 4x}$

(b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos x}{x}$

(f)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos ax - \cos bx}{x^2}$

(c)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos x}{x^2}$

(g)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - 2 \cos x + \cos 2x}{x^2}$

(d)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} (x - 3) \csc \pi x$

(h)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{3 \sin \pi x - \sin 3\pi x}{x^3}$

Ans. (a) 3 (b) 0 (c)  $\frac{1}{2}$  (d)  $-1/\pi$  (e)  $\frac{2}{7}$  (f)  $\frac{1}{2} (b^2 - a^2)$  (g)  $-1$  (h)  $4\pi^3$

COMPUTE THE FOLLOWING LIMITS:

- 3.71. If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - 1}{x} = 1$ , prove that (a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{-ax} - e^{-bx}}{x} = b - a$ , (b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{a^x - b^x}{x} = \ln \frac{a}{b}$ ,  $a, b > 0$ , and (c)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tanh ax}{x} = a$ .

- 3.72. Prove that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) = l$  if and only if  $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0^+} f(x) = l$ .

### Continuity

In the following problems, assume the largest possible domain unless otherwise stated.

- 3.73. Prove that  $f(x) = x^2 - 3x + 2$  is continuous at  $x = 4$ .

- 3.74. Prove that  $f(x) = 1/x$  is continuous (a) at  $x = 2$  and (b) in  $1 \leq x \leq 3$ .

- 3.75. Investigate the continuity of each of the following functions at the indicated points:

(a)  $f(x) = \frac{\sin x}{x}$ ;  $x \neq 0$ ,  $f(0) = 0$ ;  $x = 0$  (c)  $f(x) = \frac{x^3 - 8}{x^2 - 4}$ ;  $x \neq 2$ ,  $f(2) = 3$ ;  $x = 2$

(b)  $f(x) = x - |x|$ ;  $x = 0$  (d)  $f(x) = \begin{cases} \sin \pi x, & 0 < x < 1 \\ \ln & 1 < x < 2 \end{cases}$ ;  $x = 1$

Ans. (a) discontinuous, (b) continuous, (c) continuous, (d) discontinuous

- 3.76. If  $[x] =$  greatest integer  $\leq x$ , investigate the continuity of  $f(x) = x - [x]$  in the interval (a)  $1 < x < 2$  and (b)  $1 \leq x \leq 2$ .

- 3.77. Prove that  $f(x) = x^3$  is continuous in every finite interval.

- 3.78. If  $f(x)/g(x)$  and  $g(x)$  are continuous at  $x = x_0$ , prove that  $f(x)$  must be continuous at  $x = x_0$ .

- 3.79. Prove that  $f(x) = (\tan^{-1} x)/x$ ,  $f(0) = 1$  is continuous at  $x = 0$ .

- 3.80. Prove that a polynomial is continuous in every finite interval.

- 3.81. If  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  are polynomials, prove that  $f(x)/g(x)$  is continuous at each point  $x = x_0$  for which  $g(x_0) \neq 0$ .

- 3.82. Give the points of discontinuity of each of the following functions.

(a)  $f(x) = \frac{x}{(x-2)(x-4)}$  (c)  $f(x) = \sqrt{(x-3)(6-x)}$ ,  $3 \leq x \leq 6$

(b)  $f(x) = x^2 \sin 1/x$ ,  $x \neq 0$ ,  $f(0) = 0$  (d)  $f(x) = \frac{1}{1 + 2 \sin x}$

Ans. (a)  $x = 2, 4$  (b) none (c) none (d)  $x = 7\pi/6 \pm 2m\pi, 11\pi/6 \pm 2m\pi, m = 0, 1, 2, \dots$



## SUPPLEMENTARY PROBLEMS

## Derivatives

- 4.37. Use the definition to compute the derivatives of each of the following functions at the indicated point: (a)  $(3x - 4)/(2x + 3)$ ,  $x = 1$ , (b)  $x^3 - 3x^2 + 2x - 5$ ,  $x = 2$ , (c)  $\sqrt{x}$ ,  $x = 4$ , and (d)  $\sqrt[3]{6x - 4}$ ,  $x = 2$ .

Ans. (a)  $17/25$ , (b)  $2$ , (c)  $\frac{1}{4}$ , (d)  $\frac{1}{2}$

- 4.38. Show from definition that (a)  $\frac{d}{dx} x^4 = 4x^3$  and (b)  $\frac{d}{dx} \frac{3+x}{3-x} = \frac{6}{(3-x)^2}$ ,  $x \neq 3$ .

- ✗ 4.39. Let  $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^3 \sin 1/x, & x \neq 0 \\ 0, & x = 0 \end{cases}$ . Prove that (a)  $f(x)$  is continuous at  $x = 0$ , (b)  $f(x)$  has a derivative at  $x = 0$ , and (c)  $f'(x)$  is continuous at  $x = 0$ .

- ✗ 4.40. Let  $f(x) = \begin{cases} xe^{-1/x^2}, & x \neq 0 \\ 0, & x = 0 \end{cases}$ . Determine whether  $f(x)$  (a) is continuous at  $x = 0$ , and (b) has a derivative at  $x = 0$ .

Ans. (a) Yes (b) Yes, 0

- 4.41. Give an alternative proof of the theorem in Problem 4.3, using “ $\epsilon$ ,  $\delta$ ” definitions.

- 4.42. If  $f(x) = e^x$ , show that  $f'(x_0) = e^{x_0}$  depends on the result  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} (e^h - 1)/h = 1$ .

- 4.43. Use the results  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} (\sin h)/h = 1$ ,  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} (1 - \cos h)/h = 0$  to prove that if  $f(x) = \sin x$ ,  $f'(x_0) = \cos x_0$ .

## Right-and left-hand derivatives

- 4.44. Let  $f(x) = x|x|$ . (a) Calculate the right-hand derivative of  $f(x)$  at  $x = 0$ . (b) Calculate the left-hand derivative of  $f(x)$  at  $x = 0$ . (c) Does  $f(x)$  have a derivative at  $x = 0$ ? (d) Illustrate the conclusions in (a), (b), and (c) from a graph.

Ans. (a) 0 (b) 0 (c) Yes, 0

- 4.45. Discuss the (a) continuity and (b) differentiability of  $f(x) = x^p \sin 1/x$ ,  $f(0) = 0$ , where  $p$  is any positive number. What happens in case  $p$  is any real number?

- ✗ 4.46. Let  $f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x - 3, & 0 \leq x \leq 2 \\ x^2 - 3, & 2 < x \leq 4 \end{cases}$ . Discuss the (a) continuity and (b) differentiability of  $f(x)$  in  $0 \leq x \leq 4$ .

- 4.47. Prove that the derivative of  $f(x)$  at  $x = x_0$  exists if and only if  $f'_+(x_0) = f'_-(x_0)$ .

- 4.48. (a) Prove that  $f(x) = x^3 - x^2 + 5x - 6$  is differentiable in  $a \leq x \leq b$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are any constants. (b) Find equations for the tangent lines to the curve  $y = x^3 - x^2 + 5x - 6$  at  $x = 0$  and  $x = 1$ . Illustrate by means of a graph. (c) Determine the point of intersection of the tangent lines in (b). (d) Find  $f'(x)$ ,  $f''(x)$ ,  $f'''(x)$ ,  $f^{(IV)}(x)$ , ...

Ans. (b)  $y = 5x - 6$ ,  $y = 6x - 7$  (c)  $(1, -1)$  (d)  $3x^2 - 2x + 5$ ,  $6x - 2$ ,  $6$ ,  $0$ ,  $0$ ,  $0$ ,  $\dots$

- 4.49. If  $f(x) = x^2 |x|$ , discuss the existence of successive derivatives of  $f(x)$  at  $x = 0$ .

### Differentials

- 4.50. If  $y = f(x) = x + 1/x$ , find (a)  $\Delta y$ , (b)  $dy$ , (c)  $\Delta y - dy$ , (d)  $(\Delta y - dy)/\Delta x$ , and (e)  $dy/dx$ .

Ans. (a)  $\Delta x - \frac{\Delta x}{x(x + \Delta x)}$  (b)  $\left(1 - \frac{1}{x^2}\right)\Delta x$  (c)  $\frac{(\Delta x)^2}{x^2(x + \Delta x)}$  (d)  $\frac{\Delta x}{x^2(x + \Delta x)}$  (e)  $1 - \frac{1}{x^2}$   
Note:  $\Delta x = dx$ .

- 4.51. If  $f(x) = x^2 + 3x$ , find (a)  $\Delta y$ , (b)  $dy$ , (c)  $\Delta y/\Delta x$ , (d)  $dy/dx$ , and (e)  $(\Delta y - dy)/\Delta x$ , if  $x = 1$  and  $\Delta x = .01$ .

Ans. (a) .0501, (b) .05, (c) 5.01, (d) 5, (e) .01

- 4.52. Using differentials, compute approximate values for each of the following: (a)  $\sin 31^\circ$ , (b)  $\ln(1.12)$ , (c)  $\sqrt[3]{36}$ .

Ans. (a) 0.515, (b) 0.12, (c) 2.0125

- 4.53. If  $y = \sin x$ , evaluate (a)  $\Delta y$  and (b)  $dy$ . (c) Prove that  $(\Delta y - dy)/\Delta x \rightarrow 0$  as  $\Delta x \rightarrow 0$ .

### Differentiation rules and elementary functions

- 4.54. Prove the following:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a)} \quad \frac{d}{dx}\{f(x) + g(x)\} &= \frac{d}{dx}f(x) + \frac{d}{dx}g(x) \\ \text{(b)} \quad \frac{d}{dx}\{f(x) - g(x)\} &= \frac{d}{dx}f(x) - \frac{d}{dx}g(x) \\ \text{(c)} \quad \frac{d}{dx}\left\{\frac{f(x)}{g(x)}\right\} &= \frac{g(x)f'(x) - f(x)g'(x)}{[g(x)]^2}, \quad g(x) \neq 0. \end{aligned}$$

- ✗ 4.55. Evaluate (a)  $\frac{d}{dx}\{x^3 \ln(x^2 - 2x + 5)\}$  at  $x = 1$  and (b)  $\frac{d}{dx}\{\sin^2(3x + \pi/6)\}$  at  $x = 0$ .

Ans. (a)  $3 \ln 4$  (b)  $\frac{3}{2}\sqrt{3}$

- 4.56. Derive these formulas: (a)  $\frac{d}{dx}a^u = a^u \ln a \frac{du}{dx}$ ,  $a > 0$ ,  $a \neq 1$ ;  $\frac{d}{dx}\csc u = -\csc u \cot u \frac{du}{dx}$ ; and

(c)  $\frac{d}{dx}\tanh u = \operatorname{sech}^2 u \frac{du}{dx}$  where  $u$  is a differentiable function of  $x$ .

- ✗ 4.57. Compute (a)  $\frac{d}{dx}\tan^{-1} x$ , (b)  $\frac{d}{dx}\csc^{-1} x$ , (c)  $\frac{d}{dx}\sinh^{-1} x$ , and (d)  $\frac{d}{dx}\coth^{-1} x$ , paying attention to the use of principal values.

- 4.58. If  $y = x^x$ , compute  $dy/dx$ . (Hint: Take logarithms before differentiating.)

Ans.  $x^x(1 + \ln x)$



- 4.59. If  $y = \{\ln(3x+2)\}^{\sin^{-1}(2x+5)}$ , find  $dy/dx$  at  $x = 0$ .

$$\text{Ans. } \left( \frac{\pi}{41 \ln 2} + \frac{21 \ln \ln 2}{\sqrt{3}} \right) (\ln 2)^{\pi/6}$$

- 4.60. If  $y = f(u)$ , where  $u = g(v)$  and  $v = h(x)$ , prove that  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \cdot \frac{du}{dv} \cdot \frac{dv}{dx}$  assuming  $f$ ,  $g$ , and  $h$  are differentiable.

- 4.61. Calculate (a)  $dy/dx$  and (b)  $d^2y/dx^2$  if  $xy - \ln y = 1$ .

$$\text{Ans. (a) } y^2/(1-xy) \text{ (b) } (3y^3 - 2xy^4)/(1-xy)^3, \text{ provided } xy \neq 1$$

- ✗ 4.62. If  $y = \tan x$ , prove that  $y''' = 2(1+y^2)(1+3y^2)$ .

- 4.63. If  $x = \sec t$  and  $y = \tan t$ , evaluate (a)  $dy/dx$ , (b)  $d^2y/dx^2$ , and (c)  $d^3y/dx^3$ , at  $t = \pi/4$ .

$$\text{Ans. (a) } \sqrt{2} \text{ (b) } -1 \text{ (c) } 3\sqrt{2}$$

- 4.64. Prove that  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -\frac{d^2x}{dy^2} \left/ \left( \frac{dx}{dy} \right)^3 \right.$ , stating precise conditions under which it holds.

- 4.65. Establish formulas (a) 7 and (b) 18 on Pages 73 and 78.

### Mean value theorems

- 4.66. Let  $f(x) = 1 - (x-1)^{2/3}$ ,  $0 \leq x \leq 2$ . (a) Construct the graph of  $f(x)$ . (b) Explain why Rolle's theorem is not applicable to this function; i.e., there is no value  $\xi$  for which  $f'(\xi) = 0$ ,  $0 < \xi < 2$ .

- 4.67. Verify Rolle's theorem for  $f(x) = x^2(1-x)^2$ ,  $0 \leq x \leq 1$ .

- 4.68. Prove that between any two real roots of  $e^x \sin x = 1$  there is at least one real root of  $e^x \cos x = -1$ . (Hint: Apply Rolle's theorem to the function  $e^{-x} - \sin x$ .)

- 4.69. (a) If  $0 < a < b$ , prove that  $(1-a/b) < \ln b/a < (b/a-1)$ . (b) Use the result of (a) to show that  $\frac{1}{6} < \ln 1.2 < \frac{1}{5}$ .

- 4.70. Prove that  $(\pi/6 + \sqrt{3}/15) < \sin^{-1} 6 < (\pi/6 + 1/8)$  by using the mean value theorem.

- 4.71. Show that the function  $F(x)$  in Problem 4.20 represents the difference in ordinates of curve  $ACB$  and line  $AB$  at any point  $x$  in  $(a, b)$ .

- 4.72. (a) If  $f'(x) \leq 0$  at all points of  $(a, b)$ , prove that  $f(x)$  is monotonic decreasing in  $(a, b)$ . (b) Under what conditions is  $f(x)$  strictly decreasing in  $(a, b)$ ?

- 4.73. (a) Prove that  $(\sin x)/x$  is strictly decreasing in  $(0, \pi/2)$ . (b) Prove that  $0 \leq \sin x \leq 2x/\pi$  for  $0 \leq x \leq \pi/2$ .

- 4.74. (a) Prove that  $\frac{\sin b - \sin a}{\cos a - \cos b} = \cot \xi$ , where  $\xi$  is between  $a$  and  $b$ . (b) By placing  $a = 0$  and  $b = x$  in (a), show that  $\xi = x/2$ . Does the result hold if  $x < 0$ ?



