

## MATH1010 Midterm suggested solution

1. (a)  $y = e^{x^2+1}$   
 $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2xe^{x^2+1}$

(b)  $y = \frac{e^{x^2+1}}{x}$   
 $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{(2x^2-1)e^{x^2+1}}{x^2}$

2. (a)  $f(x) = \frac{|x-1|}{x}$   
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} |x-1| = 1$   
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} x = 2$   
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = \frac{1}{2}$

(b) for  $x < 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \frac{1-x}{x} \\ &= \frac{1}{x} - 1 \\ \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{1}{x} - 1 \\ &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

3.  $f(x) = xe^x$   
slope of tangent of C at  $x = 1$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \left. \frac{df(x)}{dx} \right|_{x=1} &= e^x + xe^x \Big|_{x=1} \\ &= 2e \end{aligned}$$

$f(1) = e$ , so the required equation is

$$\frac{y-e}{x-1} = 2e$$

$$y = e(2x-1)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
4. \quad (a) \quad & \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} x + \sqrt{x^2 + 6x + 2} \\
&= \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{x^2 - (x^2 + 6x + 2)}{x - \sqrt{x^2 + 6x + 2}} \\
&= \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{-6x - 2}{x - \sqrt{x^2 + 6x + 2}} \\
&= \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{-6 - \frac{2}{x}}{1 - \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + 6x + 2}}{x}} \\
&= \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{-6 - \frac{2}{x}}{1 - \frac{|x|}{x} \sqrt{\frac{x^2 + 6x + 2}{x^2}}} \\
&= -3
\end{aligned}$$

(b) Since  $-1 \leq \sin(\frac{1}{e^x - e^{-x}}) \leq 1$ ,  
we have  $-|x|^3 \leq x^3 \sin(\frac{1}{e^x - e^{-x}}) \leq |x|^3$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$   
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} |x|^3 = 0$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} -|x|^3 = 0$ .

By Sandwich Theorem,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^3 \sin(\frac{1}{e^x - e^{-x}}) = 0$

$$5. \text{ Let } h(x) = \frac{1}{(f(x))^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
h'(c) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{h(x) - h(c)}{x - c} \\
&= \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{\frac{1}{(f(x))^2} - \frac{1}{(f(c))^2}}{x - c} \\
&= \lim_{x \rightarrow c} -\frac{(f(x))^2 - (f(c))^2}{(f(x))^2 (f(c))^2 (x - c)} \\
&= \lim_{x \rightarrow c} -\frac{f(x) + f(c)}{[f(x)]^2 [f(c)]^2} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c} \\
&= -\frac{2f(c)}{[f(c)]^4} f'(c) \\
&= -\frac{2f'(c)}{[f(c)]^3}
\end{aligned}$$

6.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & xy + \ln(x^2 + y^2 + 100) = 1 \\
 & x \frac{dy}{dx} + y + \frac{1}{x^2 + y^2 + 100} (2x + 2y \frac{dy}{dx}) = 0 \\
 & \left( x + \frac{2y}{x^2 + y^2 + 100} \right) \frac{dy}{dx} = -y - \frac{2x}{x^2 + y^2 + 100} \\
 & \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{y(x^2 + y^2 + 100) + 2x}{x(x^2 + y^2 + 100 + 2y)}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$7. f(x) = |x| \sin^2 x, f(x) = \begin{cases} x \sin^2 x & x > 0 \\ 0 & x = 0 \\ -x \sin^2 x & x < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$(a) f'(x) = \begin{cases} \sin^2 x + 2x \sin x \cos x & x > 0 \\ -\sin^2 x - 2x \sin x \cos x & x < 0 \end{cases}$$

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

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

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

$$f'(0) = 0$$

$$(c) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f'(x) = 0, \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f'(x) = 0$$

Hence  $f'(x)$  is continuous at  $x = 0$

(d)

$$\frac{f'(x) - f'(0)}{x - 0} \begin{cases} \frac{\sin^2 x + 2x \sin x \cos x}{x} & x > 0 \\ \frac{-\sin^2 x - 2x \sin x \cos x}{x} & x < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f'(x) - f'(0)}{x - 0} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\sin^2 x}{x} + 2 \sin x \cos x$$

$$= 0$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{f'(x) - f'(0)}{x - 0} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} -\frac{\sin^2 x}{x} - 2 \sin x \cos x$$

$$= 0$$

Therefore,  $f'(x)$  is differentiable at  $x = 0$

8. (a) Let  $f(x) = x \ln x$ ,  $f$  is differentiable and continuous on  $(0, +\infty)$

Suppose that  $0 < a < b$ .

By Mean Value Theorem,  $f(b) - f(a) = f'(c)(b - a)$  for some  $c \in (a, b)$

Then  $b \ln b - a \ln a = (\ln c + 1)(b - a)$

Since  $(\ln a + 1)(b - a) < (\ln c + 1)(b - a) < (\ln b + 1)(b - a)$ , we have  $(1 + \ln a)(b - a) < b \ln b - a \ln a < (1 + \ln b)(b - a)$

- (b) Suppose that  $0 < a < b$ , we have  $0 < \frac{1}{b} < \frac{1}{a}$

Let  $f(x) = xe^{\frac{1}{x}}$ ,  $f$  is differentiable and continuous on  $(0, +\infty)$

By Mean Value Theorem,  $f(\frac{1}{a}) - f(\frac{1}{b}) = f'(d)(\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b})$  for some  $d \in (\frac{1}{b}, \frac{1}{a})$

Then  $\frac{1}{a}e^a - \frac{1}{b}e^b = (1 - \frac{1}{d})e^{\frac{1}{d}}(\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b})$  Putting  $c = \frac{1}{d}$ , we have

$c \in (a, b)$  and  $\frac{1}{a}e^a - \frac{1}{b}e^b = (1 - c)e^c(\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b})$

Thus  $be^a - ae^b = (1 - c)e^c(b - a)$  for some  $c \in (a, b)$

9. (a)  $f'(x) = (a^x + a^{-x}) \ln a$

For  $a > 1$ , we have  $a^x + a^{-x} > 0$  and  $\ln a > 0$ , hence  $f'(x) > 0$  and  $f(x)$  is strictly increasing for  $x > 0$

- (b) Since  $p - q < r - s$  and  $f(x)$  is strictly increasing for  $x > 0$

$$a^{\frac{1}{2}(p-q)} - a^{-\frac{1}{2}(p-q)} < a^{\frac{1}{2}(r-s)} - a^{-\frac{1}{2}(r-s)}$$

$$\frac{a^{\frac{1}{2}p}}{a^{\frac{1}{2}q}} - \frac{a^{\frac{1}{2}q}}{a^{\frac{1}{2}p}} = \frac{a^p - a^q}{a^{\frac{1}{2}(p+q)}}$$

$$\frac{a^p - a^q}{a^{\frac{1}{2}(p+q)}} < \frac{a^r - a^s}{a^{\frac{1}{2}(r+s)}}$$

$a^p - a^q < a^r - a^s$  as  $p + q = r + s$

Putting  $a = \frac{u}{v} > 1$ , we have  $\left(\frac{u}{v}\right)^p - \left(\frac{u}{v}\right)^q < \left(\frac{u}{v}\right)^r - \left(\frac{u}{v}\right)^s$

and then  $\frac{u^p v^q - u^q v^p}{v^{p+q}} < \frac{u^r v^s - u^s v^r}{v^{r+s}}$

Therefore,  $u^p v^q - u^q v^p < u^r v^s - u^s v^r$