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Instructions:

- The duration of this exam is 80 minutes.
- **NO CALCULATORS. NO BOOKS. NO NOTES.**
- This midterm exam consists of 5 multiple choice questions and 3 long answer questions. The multiple choice questions are worth 5 points each, and the long answer questions are as indicated. The total value of the exam is 50 points.
- For the **multiple choice** questions: write your answer (letter 'A' to 'F') in the table below.
- For the **long answer questions**: write clearly the solution in the space following the problem. You may use the back of any other page if necessary, but you have to clearly indicate the page number where your solution continues.
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Answers:

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Problem	multiple choice (write a letter A-F)					long solution (don't write anything here)			
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Multiple Choice Section Questions (1-5)

Question 1 *Solve the following logarithmic equation.*

$$\ln(x+1) - \ln(2x-8) = \ln 3.$$

A) 11 **B)** $\frac{5}{2}$ **C)** $\frac{15}{4}$ $\boxed{\textbf{D)}\ 5}$ **E)** $\frac{e}{e+5}$ **F)** 2

$\rightarrow$ $x+1>0$ and $2x-8>0$, so $x>4$

$\rightarrow$ $\ln(x+1) = \ln 3 + \ln(2x-8)$

$\ln(x+1) = \ln(3\cdot(2x-8))$

$x+1 = 3\cdot(2x-8)$

$x+1 = 6x-24$

$5x = 25$

$x = 5$

Question 2 *Find the equation of the tangent line to the graph of* $f(x) = \dfrac{8}{\sqrt{3x-2}}$ *at* $x = 2$.

A) $y = -3x + 2$ **C)** $y = 2x - 8$ $\boxed{\textbf{E)}\ y = -\frac{3}{2}x + 7}$

B) $y = -\frac{1}{4}x + 3$ **D)** $y = -\frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ **F)** $y = \frac{3}{4}x + 4$

$\rightarrow$ $x_0 = 2$, $f(x_0) = \dfrac{8}{\sqrt{3\cdot 2-2}} = \dfrac{8}{\sqrt{4}} = 4$

$\rightarrow$ $y = f'(x_0)\cdot(x-2) + f(x_0)$

$\rightarrow$ $f'(x) = \left(8\cdot(3x-2)^{-\frac{1}{2}}\right)' = 8\cdot\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)\cdot(3x-2)^{-\frac{3}{2}}\cdot 3$

$\rightarrow$ $f'(2) = -\cancel{8}\cdot\frac{1}{2}\cdot\cancel{\frac{1}{4^{3/2}}}\cdot 3 = -\frac{3}{2}$

$\rightarrow$ $y = \left(-\frac{3}{2}\right)(x-2) + 4$

$y = -\frac{3}{2}x + 3 + 4$

$y = -\frac{3}{2}x + 7$

Question 3 *Find a and b so that the function f given below is continuous everywhere.*

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -ax+2 & x < -2 \\ 6 & x = -2 \\ bx^2 + x & x > -2 \end{cases}$$

A) $\begin{cases} a = 1 \\ b = 2 \end{cases}$ B) $\begin{cases} a = -2 \\ b = 2 \end{cases}$ C) $\begin{cases} a = -2 \\ b = -2 \end{cases}$ $\boxed{\text{D)} \begin{cases} a = 2 \\ b = 2 \end{cases}}$ E) $\begin{cases} a = -2 \\ b = 3 \end{cases}$ F) $\begin{cases} a = 2 \\ b = -2 \end{cases}$

$$\begin{cases} \lim\limits_{x \to -2^-} f(x) = f(-2) \\ \lim\limits_{x \to -2^+} f(x) = f(-2) \end{cases} \iff \begin{cases} \lim\limits_{x \to -2^-} (-ax+2) = 6 \\ \lim\limits_{x \to -2^+} (bx^2+x) = 6 \end{cases} \iff$$

$$\begin{cases} 2a + 2 = 6 \\ 4b - 2 = 6 \end{cases} \iff \begin{cases} a = 2 \\ b = 2 \end{cases}$$

Question 4 *Find the limit (this is ONLY a one-sided limit)*

$$\lim_{x \to 2^+} \frac{|x-2|}{x^2-4}.$$

A) $\frac{1}{3}$ B) $\frac{1}{2}$ C) 0 $\boxed{\text{D)}\ \frac{1}{4}}$ E) $\frac{1}{6}$ F) The limit does not exist.

$\to \frac{0}{0}$

$$\to \lim_{x \to 2^+} \frac{|x-2|}{x^2-4} = \lim_{x \to 2^+} \frac{\cancel{(x-2)}}{\cancel{(x-2)}(x+2)}$$

$$= \lim_{x \to 2^+} \frac{1}{x+2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4}$$

Question 5 *For which values x, the graph of the following function has horizontal tangent lines? (i.e. $f'(x) = 0$)*

$$f(x) = xe^{-2x+3}$$

A) $\begin{cases} x = \frac{3}{2} \\ x = 0 \end{cases}$ B) $\begin{cases} x = \frac{2}{3} \\ x = 0 \end{cases}$ C) $x = \frac{1}{3}$ D) $\begin{cases} x = -\frac{1}{2} \\ x = 0 \end{cases}$ $\boxed{\text{E) } x = \frac{1}{2}}$ F) $\begin{cases} x = \frac{1}{3} \\ x = 0 \end{cases}$

$\rightarrow$ $f'(x) = 0$

$x' \cdot e^{-2x+3} + x \cdot e^{-2x+3} (-2) = 0$

$e^{-2x+3} \cdot (1 - 2x) = 0$

$1 - 2x = 0$

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

Long Answer Questions (6-8)

Question 6 (8 points) *Using* **only** *the definition of derivative as a limit, calculate $f'(x)$ where*

$$f(x) = \sqrt{x-3}.$$

$\to x \geq 3$

$\to$ for $x > 3$:

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h\to 0} \frac{1}{h}\left(f(x+h) - f(x)\right)$$

$$= \lim_{h\to 0} \frac{1}{h}\left(\sqrt{x+h-3} - \sqrt{x-3}\right) \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x+h-3} + \sqrt{x-3}}{\sqrt{x+h-3} + \sqrt{x-3}}$$

[use $(a-b)(a+b) = a^2 - b^2$]

$$= \lim_{h\to 0} \frac{1}{h} \cdot \frac{(x+h-\cancel{3}) - (\cancel{x}-\cancel{3})}{\sqrt{x+h-3} + \sqrt{x-3}}$$

$$= \lim_{h\to 0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+h-3} + \sqrt{x-3}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x-3}}.$$

Question 7 (8 points) *A deposit A is invested at a annual rate of 3 %.*

i) Assuming the deposit is $2,000 and the interest is compounded every 4 months, how much money is in the account after 10 years? (you do not need to simplify your answers)

ii) Find the time needed for any initial deposit to double when the interest compounds continually.

i) $A = 2\,000$, $r = 0.03$, $n = 3$ (every 4 months, so 3 compoundings)

$$C(t) = A \cdot \left(1 + \frac{r}{n}\right)^{nt}$$

$$= 2000 \cdot \left(1 + \frac{0{,}03}{3}\right)^{3t}$$

$$= 2000 \cdot (1.01)^{3t}$$

$$C(10) = 2\,000 \cdot (1{,}01)^{30}.$$

ii) Here $n = +\infty$, so

$$C(t) = A \cdot e^{r \cdot t} = A \cdot e^{0{,}03 \cdot t}$$

Look for t:

$$C(t) = 2 \cdot A$$

$$\cancel{A} \cdot e^{0{,}03 \cdot t} = 2 \cdot \cancel{A}$$

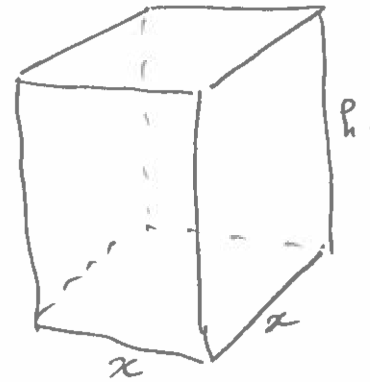
$$e^{0{,}03 \cdot t} = 2$$

$$0.03 \cdot t = \ln 2$$

$$t = \frac{\ln 2}{0.03}$$

Question 8 (9 points) *With 24 cm^2 of cardboard we want to make rectangular boxes with square bases. Find the dimensions of box which maximize the volume.*

→ x, h the dimensions



It is given that

area $= 24 = 2\cdot x^2 + 4\cdot x h$, or

$x^2 + 2xh = 12$

→ $V = x^2 \cdot h$ (volume)

Eliminate h:

$2xh = 12 - x^2$, $h = \dfrac{12 - x^2}{2x}$; hence

$V = x^{\cancel{2}} \cdot \dfrac{1}{2\cancel{x}}(12 - x^2) = \frac{1}{2}\, x \cdot (12 - x^2) = \frac{1}{2}(12x - x^3)$.

Hence,

maximize $V(x) = \frac{1}{2}(12x - x^3)$, for $x \in I = (0, +\infty)$

→ C.P.: $V'(x) = \frac{1}{2}(12 - 3\cdot x^2) = 0$

$12 - 3x^2 = 0$, $x^2 = 4$, $x = 2$ $\cancel{(x = -2)}$

→ Classification:

$V''(x) = \frac{1}{2}(-6x)$, $V''(2) = -6 < 0$

so, $x = 2$ is local max; as it is the only C.P in I

it is global max

→ $x = 2$, $h = \dfrac{12 - 2^2}{2\cdot 2} = \dfrac{8}{4} = 2$ are dimensions which maximize the volume (the box is in fact a cube)