

# MIDTERM 1

Math 3A  
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**Read all of the following information before starting the exam:**

- Show all work, clearly and in order, if you want to get full credit. I reserve the right to take off points if I cannot see how you arrived at your answer (even if your final answer is correct).
- Whenever you invoke a theorem to justify a result, make sure to clearly identify all premises of the theorem, show that they are true, and specify which theorem you are using.
- Circle or otherwise indicate your final answers.
- Good luck!

1	15	
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6	15	
7	10	
Total	100	

**1.** (15 points) Find the following limits if they exist; if not, state that they do not exist, and indicate if they go to  $\infty$  or  $-\infty$ , indicate this as well. You may use any method you like, but clearly indicate intermediate steps and how you obtain your answer.

(a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \tan x$

(b) Find  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi/2^-} e^{\tan x}$

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

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

(e) Consider the sequence  $a_n = \sin n\pi$ . What is  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$ ?

**2.** (15 points) Compute

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

**3.** (15 points) Show that the polynomial

$$x^3 - 100x^2 + 10$$

has at least two roots.

4. (15 points) For what value of  $a$  is the function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2-x-20}{x-5} & \text{if } x \neq 5 \\ a & \text{if } x = 5 \end{cases}$$

continuous everywhere?

5. (15 points) Given an example of three sequences,  $a_n$ ,  $b_n$ , and  $c_n$ , such that:

- None of the limits  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n}$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{c_n}$  exist
- The limit  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n c_n} = 1$

**6.** (15 points)      (a)      Find the derivative of  $\sqrt{2x+1}$  using the chain rule.

(b)      Find the derivative of  $\sqrt{2x+1}$  using the definition of the derivative.

**7.** (10 points) Consider the equality

$$f(x+h)g(x+h) - f(x)g(x) = f(x)[g(x+h) - g(x)] + g(x)[f(x+h) - f(x)] + [f(x+h) - f(x)][g(x+h) - g(x)].$$

Draw a diagram illustrating this equality; each of the quantities in the equation should be represented as the area of some shape in this diagram.