

DEFINITIONS/BIG-TIME FACTS TO KNOW FOR TEST 1

CALCULUS II

DEFINITIONS

line tangent to $f(x)$ at $x = a$

(geometric) a line that intersects the curve defined by f at $x = a$ and goes in the same direction as the curve defined by f

(algebraic) the line $y = m(x - a) + f(a)$ where $m = f'(a)$

derivative of $f(x)$ at $x = a$

(geometric) the slope of the line tangent to f at a

(algebraic) $f'(x) = \frac{dy}{dx} = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$

f is continuous on $[a, b]$

(geometric) f is *unbroken*: no gaps, jumps, or asymptotes

(precise) for any $c \in [a, b]$, we can find the limit of f at c by substitution; that is, $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = f(c)$

f is differentiable on (a, b)

(geometric) f is *smooth*: no corners, cusps, or breaks

(precise) for any $c \in (a, b)$, we can find the derivative of f at c

(definite) integral of $f(x)$ over $[a, b]$

(geometric) the *net* area between the curve of $f(x)$ and the x -axis, starting at $x = a$ and ending at $x = b$ ("net" means it can be negative or zero)

(algebraic) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i^*) \Delta x$, where $\Delta x = (b-a)/n$ and x_i^* is *any* point in the i th subinterval of width Δx of $[a, b]$, as long as the limit exists

Rieman Sum

(geometric) an approximation of the area under a curve using a finite number of rectangles

(algebraic) $\sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i^*) \Delta x$, where $\Delta x = (b-a)/n$ and x_i^* is *any* point in the i th subinterval of width Δx of $[a, b]$

choices of sample point for Riemann sums

right endpoint $x_i^* = a + i \Delta x$

left endpoint $x_i^* = a + (i - 1) \Delta x$

midpoint $x_i^* = a + (i - 1/2) \Delta x$

f is integrable over $[a, b]$:

(geometric) we can find the area between the curve defined by f over $[a, b]$ and the x -axis

(algebraic) the limit $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i^*) \Delta x$ converges, where x_i^* and Δx are defined as above

indeterminate form: any limit approaching the form $\pm\infty/\pm\infty$, $0/0$, $\infty - \infty$, $0 \times \infty$, 0^0 , 1^∞ , ∞^0

BIG-TIME RESULTS OR TOOLS

Theorem (L'Hôpital's Rule). *If*

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{\pm\infty}{\pm\infty} \quad \text{or} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{0}{0},$$

then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)}.$$

Algorithm (Newton's Method). *Suppose f is differentiable and has a root on (a, b) , which we want to approximate to d decimal places.*

- (1) *Let $i = 0$ and choose a reasonable initial approximation x_0 ;*
- (2) *let $x_{i+1} = x_i - \frac{f(x_i)}{f'(x_i)}$;*
- (3) *if the first d decimal places of x_i and x_{i+1} agree, then the root is approximately x_i ;*
- (4) *otherwise, let $x_i = x_{i+1}$, add 1 to i , and return to step 2.*

EXAMPLE PROBLEMS

This list is by no means exhaustive.

1. Compute the following limits. Use L'Hôpital's Rule *only* if necessary.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x + \sin 8x}{x} & \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x + \sin 8x}{x^2} & \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\ln x} \\ \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\ln x} & \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (x - \sqrt{x^2 - 9}) & \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (x - \sqrt{x^2 - 9x}) \\ & \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x^{1/x} & \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{2}{x}\right)^x \end{array}$$

2. Find an approximation to the thousandths place for each of the following functions, with the given initial approximation.
 - (a) $x^2 - 2$, $x = 2$
 - (b) $\cos x - x$, $x = 0$
3. Name two reasons Newton's Method can fail, *even when the function has a root.*
4. Find the indicated area using only geometric methods. *Explain* your computation. Drawing a picture would go a long way towards an explanation, but some words are probably necessary. Merely writing a formula is insufficient!

$$\int_a^b c \, dx \quad \int_{-3}^3 x \, dx \quad \int_2^5 x \, dx \quad \int_0^6 (3-x) - \sqrt{36-x^2} \, dx$$

5. Approximate the indicated area using three rectangles. Evaluate once using left endpoints, once using right endpoints, and once using midpoints. Compare your answers to the corresponding result in #4, and comment on the results (overestimate, underestimate, etc.).

$$\int_2^5 x \, dx$$

6. Evaluate the indicated area using the definition of the integral and right endpoints as the sample points. Is this an overestimate, an underestimate, or other? Why?

$$\int_0^3 x^2 dx$$

7. A particle travels at $v(t) = (t - 2)^3$ meters/second from $t = 0$ to $t = 4$ seconds.
- Use geometry to explain why the particle's displacement after four seconds is 0.
 - Divide the interval $[0, 4]$ into four subintervals and use a Riemann sum with midpoints to approximate the particle's displacement. Explain why your approximation is so good in this case.
 - Would you have such a good approximation if you used right endpoints instead? Why or why not?
 - Use the definition of the integral and right endpoints to evaluate the displacement of the particle after 4 seconds. Notice that your answer should agree with part (a)!