

## Math 151 Fall 2009 Exam I Solutions-Form A

1. A: The vector  $\langle 2, -3 \rangle$  is parallel to the line  $x = 2t+1, y = -3t+5$ . Hence  $\langle 3, 2 \rangle$  is perpendicular to the line. Divide by the magnitude to make the vector a unit vector.  $\frac{\langle 3, 2 \rangle}{\sqrt{13}} = \left\langle \frac{3}{\sqrt{13}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{13}} \right\rangle$ .

2. D:  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{9-x}-3}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{9-x}-3}{x} \frac{\sqrt{9-x}+3}{\sqrt{9-x}+3}$   
 $= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{9-x-9}{x(\sqrt{9-x}+3)} = -\frac{1}{6}$ .

3. E: Use the product rule to differentiate  $H(x) = x^2 f(x)$ :  $H'(x) = x^2 f'(x) + 2x f(x)$ . Since  $f(-2) = 3$  and  $f'(-2) = -4$ ,  
 $H'(-2) = (-2)^2 f'(-2) + 2(-2)f(-2)$   
 $= 4(-4) + (-4)(3) = -28$

4. D:  $W = |\mathbf{F}||\mathbf{D}|\cos(\theta)$ . Here,  $|\mathbf{F}| = 8$  pounds,  $|\mathbf{D}| = 25$  feet and  $\theta = 60^\circ$ . Hence  
 $W = (8 \text{ pounds})(25 \text{ feet})(\cos 60^\circ)$   
 $= 100$  foot pounds.

5. B: Use the quotient rule to differentiate  $f(x) = \frac{x}{1+x}$ .  
 $f'(x) = \frac{(1)(1+x) - (x)(1)}{(1+x)^2} = \frac{1}{(1+x)^2}$ . Hence the slope of the tangent line is  $m = f'(2) = \frac{1}{9}$ . Also, when  $x = 2, y = \frac{2}{3}$ . Thus the equation of the tangent line is  $y - \frac{2}{3} = \frac{1}{9}(x - 2)$ .

6. C:  $x = \sin t$  and  $y = 4 + \cos t$  is equivalent to  $x = \sin t, y - 4 = \cos t$ . Since  $\sin^2 t + \cos^2 t = 1$ ,  $x^2 + (y - 4)^2 = 1$ .

7. B: To test  $f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x+1 & \text{if } x \leq -1 \\ x^2-3 & \text{if } -1 < x \leq 2 \\ \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{2} & \text{if } x > 2 \end{cases}$  for continuity, we first note that  $2x+1$  is continuous for  $x < -1$ ,  $x^2-3$  is continuous for  $-1 < x < 2$  and  $\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{2}$  is continuous for  $x > 2$ . Thus we need

only to check continuity for  $x = -1$  and  $x = 2$ .  
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1^-} f(x) = -1, \lim_{x \rightarrow -1^+} f(x) = -2$ .

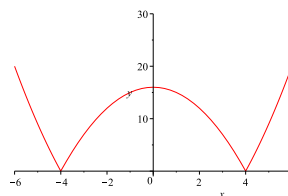
Thus  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} f(x)$  does not exist, hence  $f(x)$  is not continuous at  $x = -1$ .

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x) = 1, \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x) = 1, f(2) = 1$ , thus  $f(x)$  is continuous at  $x = 2$ . The only place of discontinuity is  $x = -1$ .

8. B:  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3^+} \frac{x-1}{x^2(x+3)} = -\infty$  since  $x = -3$  is a vertical asymptote and  $\frac{x-1}{x^2(x+3)} < 0$  for  $x > -3$ .

9. D: First, note  $f(x) = x^3 - x^2 + 3x - 1$  is continuous, so we will apply the Intermediate Value Theorem. Since  $f(0) = -1 < 0$  and  $f(1) = 2 > 0$ , there is a solution to  $f(c) = 0$  on the interval  $(0, 1)$ .

10. C:  $f(x) = |x^2 - 16|$  is not differentiable at  $x = \pm 4$  since  $f'(4)$  and  $f'(-4)$  does not exist. (See figure below)



11. Multiply by the conjugate:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \left( x + \sqrt{x^2 + 3x} \right) \frac{x - \sqrt{x^2 + 3x}}{x - \sqrt{x^2 + 3x}} \\ = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{-3x}{x - \sqrt{x^2 + 3x}}. \text{ Divide the numerator and denominator by } x: \\ = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{-3x/x}{x/x - (\sqrt{x^2 + 3x})/x} \\ = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{-3}{1 + \sqrt{1 + 3/x}} = -\frac{3}{2} \end{aligned}$$

12. (i) To find the cosine of the angle between the vectors  $\langle 1, 4 \rangle$  and  $\langle 2, 3 \rangle$ , we will use the formula

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\langle 1, 4 \rangle \cdot \langle 2, 3 \rangle}{(|\langle 1, 4 \rangle|)(|\langle 2, 3 \rangle|)}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{2 + 12}{\sqrt{17}\sqrt{13}} = \frac{14}{\sqrt{221}}.$$

- (ii) Let  $\mathbf{a} = \langle 2, 3 \rangle$  and  $\mathbf{b} = \langle 1, 4 \rangle$ . Then

$$\text{comp}_{\mathbf{a}} \mathbf{b} = \frac{\langle 2, 3 \rangle \cdot \langle 1, 4 \rangle}{|\langle 2, 3 \rangle|} = \frac{14}{\sqrt{13}}$$

$$\text{(iii) } \text{proj}_{\mathbf{a}} \mathbf{b} = \frac{\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}}{|\mathbf{a}|^2} \mathbf{a}$$

$$= \frac{\langle 2, 3 \rangle \cdot \langle 1, 4 \rangle}{|\langle 2, 3 \rangle|^2} \langle 2, 3 \rangle$$

$$= \frac{14}{13} \langle 2, 3 \rangle$$

$$= \left\langle \frac{28}{13}, \frac{42}{13} \right\rangle$$

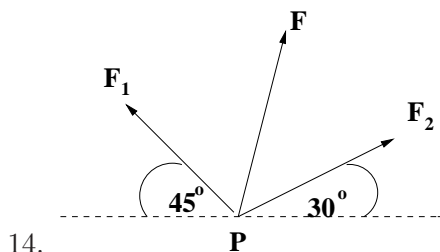
13.  $f(x) = \frac{2}{x-3}$ .  $f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{2}{x+h-3} - \frac{2}{x-3}}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2(x-3) - 2(x+h-3)}{h(x+h-3)(x-3)}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-2h}{h(x+h-3)(x-3)}$$

$$= \frac{-2}{(x-3)^2}$$



Since  $|\mathbf{F}_1| = 8$  pounds and  $|\mathbf{F}_2| = 10$  pounds,

$$\mathbf{F}_1 = \langle -8 \cos 45^\circ, 8 \sin 45^\circ \rangle = \langle -4\sqrt{2}, 4\sqrt{2} \rangle.$$

$\mathbf{F}_2 = \langle 10 \cos 30^\circ, 10 \sin 30^\circ \rangle = \langle 5\sqrt{3}, 5 \rangle$ . Thus the resultant force is

$\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{F}_1 + \mathbf{F}_2 = \langle -4\sqrt{2} + 5\sqrt{3}, 4\sqrt{2} + 5 \rangle$ . Thus the magnitude of the resultant force is

$$|\mathbf{F}| = \sqrt{(-4\sqrt{2} + 5\sqrt{3})^2 + (4\sqrt{2} + 5)^2} \text{ pounds}$$

15. a.) Since  $x < 2$ ,  $|x - 2| = -(x - 2)$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{x-2}{|x-2|} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{x-2}{-(x-2)} \\ &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

b.) To find the value of  $a$  for which  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{3x^2 + ax + a + 3}{x^2 + x - 2}$  exists, we use the fact that, in order for the limit to exist at  $x = 1$ ,  $3x^2 + ax + a + 3$  must have a factor of  $x - 1$  in order to eliminate the division by zero. Hence if  $x - 1$  is a factor of  $3x^2 + ax + a + 3$ , it follows that

$3(1)^2 + a(1) + a + 3 = 0$ . Thus  $3 + a + a + 3 = 0$  yielding  $a = -3$ .