Solutions to Problems from Math 135 Recitation on 4/25/15

For the problems see

http://math.rutgers.edu/~az202/teaching/.

- 1. Substituting in x = 0 gives 0/1 = 0, and we're done, since it's not indeterminate.
- 2. This time substituting gives 0/0, so we factor and simplify:

$$\lim_{x \to 2} \frac{x-2}{x^2+x-6} = \lim_{x \to 2} \frac{x-2}{(x+3)(x-2)} = \lim_{x \to 2} \frac{1}{(x+3)} = \boxed{\frac{1}{5}}.$$

3. We have a rational function as $x \to -\infty$, so we divide the top and bottom by the highest power of x, which is x^{10} in this case:

$$\lim_{x \to -\infty} \frac{5x^{10} + 6x + 1}{9x^{10} - 42x} = \lim_{x \to -\infty} \frac{5 + 6x^{-9} + x^{-10}}{9 - 42x^{-9}} = \boxed{\frac{5}{9}}.$$

4. Substituting gives 0/0. Since there's a square root, let's multiply the top and bottom by the conjugate:

$$\lim_{x \to 2^+} \frac{\sqrt{x-1}-1}{x^2-x-2} = \lim_{x \to 2^+} \frac{(\sqrt{x-1}-1)(\sqrt{x-1}+1)}{(x^2-x-2)(\sqrt{x-1}+1)}$$
$$= \lim_{x \to 2^+} \frac{(x-2)}{(x^2-x-2)(\sqrt{x-1}+1)}.$$

Substituting still gives 0/0, but we can factor $x^2 - x - 2$ and cancel:

$$\lim_{x \to 2^+} \frac{(x-2)}{(x-2)(x+1)(\sqrt{x-1}+1)} = \lim_{x \to 2^+} \frac{1}{(x+1)(\sqrt{x-1}+1)} = \boxed{\frac{1}{6}}.$$

5. As x gets large, e^{-x} approaches zero, and $\cos x$ oscillates between -1 and 1 (see Figure 1). So we expect the limit to be 0. To prove this, note that $e^{-x} \cos x$ is always between $-e^{-x}$ and e^{-x} , which both approach 0 as $x \to \infty$. So by the Squeeze Theorem, the original limit is also 0.



Figure 1: The function $y = e^{-x} \cos x$ (solid red) is squeezed between $-e^{-x}$ and e^{-x} (dashed black). Not to scale.

6. The only place where f(x) might not be continuous is x = 1. To make f continuous at 1, we find the left/right limits and function value at 1:

$$\lim_{x \to 1^{-}} f(x) = 1 + A$$
$$\lim_{x \to 1^{+}} f(x) = e^{B}$$
$$f(1) = 3.$$

Next, we set all three equal to each other: $1 + A = e^B = 3$. Solving gives A = 2 and $B = \ln 3$.

7. Using the quotient rule,

$$\left(\frac{x+1}{\sin x}\right)' = \boxed{\frac{\sin x - (x+1)\cos x}{\sin^2 x}}.$$

8. By the chain rule and power rule,

$$((x^3 + x)^{10})' = 10(x^3 + x)^9(x^3 + x)' = 10(x^3 + x)^9(3x^2 + 1).$$

9. We rewrite y and use the power rule:

$$y = x^{-1} + x^{-1/2}$$
$$\implies y' = \boxed{-x^{-2} - \frac{1}{2}x^{-3/2}}.$$

10. We can either simplify y first, or use the chain rule:

$$y = 8 \ln x \implies y' = \boxed{\frac{8}{x}}$$

or
$$(\ln x^8)' = \frac{8x^7}{x^8} = \boxed{\frac{8}{x}}.$$

11.

$$(\cos^3 x \sin(x^5))' = \cos^3 x (\sin(x^5))' + \sin(x^5) (\cos^3 x)'$$

= $\cos^3 x \cos(x^5) (x^5)' + \sin(x^5) \cdot 3 \cos^2 x (\cos x)'$
= $5x^4 \cos^3 x \cos(x^5) - \sin(x^5) \cdot 3 \cos^2 x \sin x.$

12.

$$(e^{x^2}\sqrt{1+x^2})' = e^{x^2}(\sqrt{1+x^2})' + \sqrt{1+x^2}(e^{x^2})'$$
$$= e^{x^2}\frac{(1+x^2)'}{2\sqrt{1+x^2}} + \sqrt{1+x^2}e^{x^2}(x^2)'$$
$$= \boxed{e^{x^2}\frac{x}{\sqrt{1+x^2}} + 2xe^{x^2}\sqrt{1+x^2}}.$$

13. Since both the base and exponent depend on x, this is a job for logarithmic differentiation. We take the ln of BOTH sides and differentiate implicitly:

$$\ln y = \tan x \ln(\sin x)$$

$$\implies \frac{y'}{y} = \tan x \frac{\cos x}{\sin x} + \ln(\sin x) \sec^2 x = 1 + \ln(\sin x) \sec^2 x$$

$$\implies y' = y(1 + \ln(\sin x) \sec^2 x) = \boxed{(\sin x)^{\tan x}(1 + \ln(\sin x) \sec^2 x)}.$$

Differentiate implicitly:

14.

$$x^{3} + xy + y^{2} = 7 \implies 3x^{2} + xy' + y + 2yy' = 0$$

Plug in (1, 2) and solve for y':
$$3 + y' + 2 + 4y' = 0 \implies 5y' = -5 \implies y' = -1.$$

The tangent line has slope -1 and passes through (1,2), so its equation is y - 2 = -(x - 1), or y = -x + 3.

15. This time we just differentiate and solve for y':

$$x^{3} + 3x^{2}y - 4y^{2} = 16 \implies 3x^{2} + 3x^{2}y' + 6xy - 8yy' = 0$$
$$\implies y'(3x^{2} - 8y) = -3x^{2} - 6xy \implies y' = \boxed{\frac{-3x^{2} - 6xy}{3x^{2} - 8y}}.$$

16. The trick here is to simplify the left-hand side: $e^{\sin^2 y}(1 + e^{\cos^2 y}) = e^{\sin^2 y} + e^{\sin^2 y + \cos^2 y} = e^{\sin^2 y} + e$. So we can write the original equation as

$$e^{\sin^2 y} + e = xy \implies 2\sin y \cos y \, e^{\sin^2 y} y' = xy' + y$$
$$\implies y' = \boxed{\frac{y}{2\sin y \cos y \, e^{\sin^2 y} - x}}.$$

17. (a) We differentiate the formula for A with respect to t and plug in:

$$A = xy \implies \frac{dA}{dt} = \frac{dx}{dt}y + x\frac{dy}{dt} = 2 \cdot 3 + 4 \cdot 3 = \boxed{18.}$$

(b) By the Pythagorean Theorem,

$$z^2 = x^2 + y^2.$$
 (1)

So when x = 4 and y = 3, we have $z = \sqrt{16 + 9} = 5$. Differentiating (1) gives

$$2z\frac{dz}{dt} = 2x\frac{dx}{dt} + 2y\frac{dy}{dt}$$
$$\implies 2 \cdot 5 \cdot \frac{dz}{dt} = 2 \cdot 4 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 3$$
$$\implies \frac{dz}{dt} = \frac{34}{10} = \boxed{\frac{17}{5}}.$$

18. Let r be the radius, V be the volume, and A be the surface area. We know that $A = 4\pi r^2$. Differentiating with respect to t gives

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = 8\pi r \frac{dr}{dt} = 8\pi \frac{dr}{dt}.$$
(2)

Now all we need is dr/dt. If we differentiate the formula $V = (4/3)\pi r^3$, we get

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = 4\pi r^2 \frac{dr}{dt} \implies \frac{dr}{dt} = \frac{dV/dt}{4\pi r^2} = \frac{4\pi}{4\pi} = 1.$$

Substituting dr/dt = 1 back into (2) gives $dA/dt = 8\pi i n^2/sec$.

19. The formula for the linearization of f(x) about x = a is L(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x - a). In our case, $f(x) = e^x$ and a = 0, so $L(x) = e^0 + e^0(x - 0) = \boxed{1 + x}$. For the second part, we plug in the specific value x = .1 to get $e^{.1} \approx \boxed{1.1}$ (The exact value is 1.1051...)

20. Doing the same thing here gives $L(x) = 2 + \frac{1}{4}(x-4)$ and $\sqrt{4.2} \approx L(4.2) = 2 + .2/4 = 2.05$. (The exact value is 2.0493....)

21. First, we can simplify:

$$(\ln 5 + \ln 11 - \ln 50)\sin(1.1\pi) = \ln(5 \cdot 11/50)\sin(1.1\pi) = \ln(1.1)\sin(1.1\pi).$$

So to rephrase the problem, we must approximate f(1.1), where $f(x) = \ln x \sin(\pi x)$. Let's linearize about the point a = 1 since that's close to 1.1. First, we have $f'(x) = \sin(\pi x)/x + \pi \cos(\pi x) \ln x$. Thus, f(a) = f(1) = 0 and f'(a) = f'(1) = 0, since $\sin \pi$ and $\ln 1$ are both zero! So L(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x - a) = 0 + 0(x - 1) = 0. Finally, the number we started with is $f(1.1) \approx L(1.1) = 0$. A lot of work for a very simple answer! (The exact value is -.0294....)