

CALCULUS 1 (BE5B01MA1)  
MIDTERM 1 (WEEK 6. 2019, OCT, 30TH)

★ This test has **4 exercises** with a total of **12 points**.

★ The maximum grade is **12 points**.

**Exercise 1. [3pts]** Consider the function  $f$  defined as follows

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -x & , \text{ if } x < 0, \\ 3 - x & , \text{ if } 0 \leq x < 3, \\ (x - 3)^2 & , \text{ if } x > 3. \end{cases}$$

(a) **(0.6pts)** Find the domain of  $f$ .

(b) **(1.2pts)** Find each limit, if it exists, **justifying your answers**.

(i)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x)$ .

(ii)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x)$ .

(iii)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$ .

(iv)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} f(x)$ .

(v)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} f(x)$ .

(vi)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x)$ .

(c) **(0.3pts)** Where is  $f$  continuous?

(d) **(0.3pts)** Where is  $f$  discontinuous?

(e) **(0.6pts)** Sketch the graph of  $f$ .

**Exercise 2. [2pts]** Consider the following function:

$$h(x) = \frac{e^x - 1 - x - x^2/2}{x^3}.$$

(a) **(1pt)** Show that  $f(x) = e^x - 1 - x - \frac{x^2}{2}$  and  $g(x) = x^3$  satisfy the L'Hospital's Rule.

(b) **(1pt)** Show that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} h(x) = \frac{1}{6}$ .

**Exercise 3. [3pts]** Decide if the following statements are **true** or **false**.

- If it is **true**, explain why.
- If it is **false**, give an example that disproves the statement.

(a) **(0.6pts)** If  $f'(c) = 0$ , then  $f$  has a local maximum or minimum at  $c$ .

(b) **(0.6pts)** If  $f'(x) < 0$  for  $1 < x < 6$ , then  $f$  is decreasing on  $(1, 6)$ .

(c) **(0.6pts)** If  $f'(x) = g'(x)$  for  $0 < x < 1$ , then  $f(x) = g(x)$  for  $0 < x < 1$ .

(d) **(0.6pts)** If  $f$  is even, then  $f'$  is even.

(e) **(0.6pts)** If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x)$ , then  $f$  is continuous at  $a$ .

**Exercise 4.** [4pts] Suppose that a function  $f$  satisfies the following conditions.

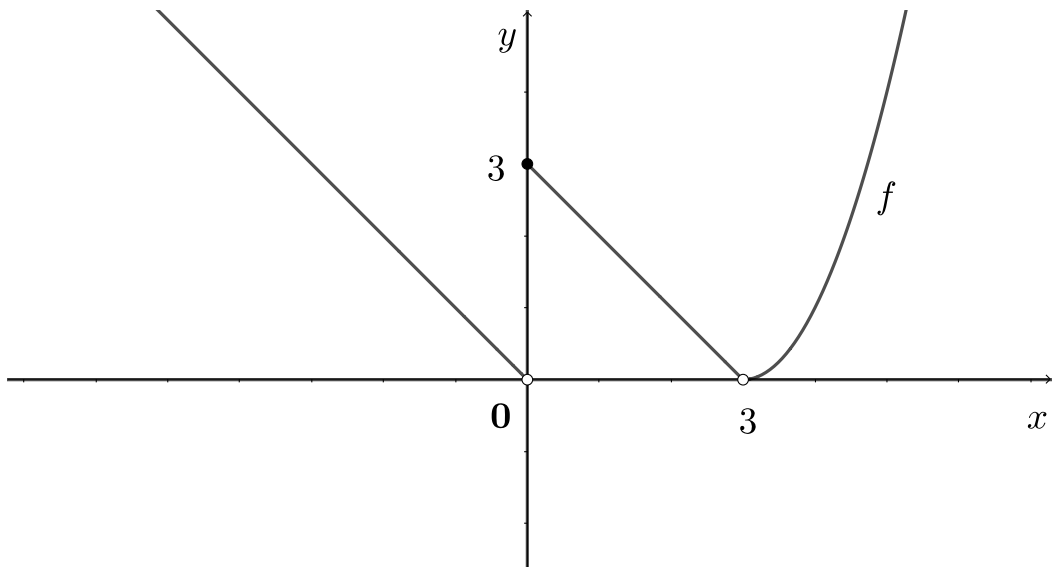
- (i) **(0.5pts)**  $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} f(x) = 0$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = +\infty$ .
- (ii) **(0.5pts)**  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 6^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 6^-} f(x) = -\infty$ .
- (iii) **(0.6pts)**  $f(0) = f'(-2) = f'(1) = f'(9) = 0$ .
- (iv) **(0.6pts)**  $f'(x) < 0$  on  $(-\infty, -2)$ ,  $(1, 6)$ , and  $(9, +\infty)$ .
- (v) **(0.6pts)**  $f'(x) > 0$  on  $(-2, 1)$  and  $(6, 9)$ .
- (vi) **(0.6pts)**  $f''(x) > 0$  on  $(-\infty, 0)$  and  $(12, +\infty)$ .
- (vii) **(0.6pts)**  $f''(x) < 0$  on  $(0, 6)$  and  $(6, 12)$ .

Sketch a possible graph of  $f$ .

*Solutions*

**Exercise 1.**

- (a)  $D(f) = \mathbb{R} \setminus \{3\}$ .
- (b) (i) 3.  
 (ii) 0.  
 (iii) it does not exist.  
 (iv) 0.  
 (v) 0.  
 (vi) 0.
- (c)  $f$  is continuous on  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0, 3\}$ .
- (d)  $f$  is discontinuous at  $x = 0$  and  $x = 3$ .
- (e)



**Exercise 2.**

- (a) Since exponential and polynomials are differentiable functions, so are  $f$  and  $g$ . Notice that  $g'(x) = 3x^2 \neq 0$  near 0 and also that we have an indeterminate limit of the form  $\frac{0}{0}$ . Therefore, we can apply the L'Hospital's Rule.
- (b) We apply L'Hospital's Rule three times (note that all the hypothesis are always satisfied) to get

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} h(x) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - 1 - x - x^2/2}{x^3} \stackrel{L'Hospital}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - 1 - x}{3x^2} \\ &\stackrel{L'Hospital}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - 1}{6x} \\ &\stackrel{L'Hospital}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x}{6} = \frac{e^0}{6} = \frac{1}{6}. \end{aligned}$$

**Exercise 3.**

- (a) **F**. The function  $f(x) = x^3$  is such that  $f'(0) = 0$  but it has no extreme values.
- (b) **V**. If  $f'(x) < 0$  on an interval, then  $f$  is decreasing on that interval.
- (c) **F**. The functions  $f(x) = 1$  and  $g(x) = 2$  are such that  $f'(x) = g'(x) = 0$  but  $f(x) \neq g(x)$  for every  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .
- (d) **F**. The function  $f(x) = x^2$  is even and  $f'(x) = 2x$  is not.
- (e) **F**. The function  $f$  from Exercise 1 is such that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} f(x) = 0$  but  $f$  is not defined at  $x = 3$ . Then,  $f$  cannot be continuous at  $x = 3$ .

**Exercise 4.**

