

Math 2315 - Calculus 2
Cumulative Quiz #3 - 2021.03.12
Solutions

1. Compute the following derivative: $\frac{d}{dx} \tan^{-1}(\sin(3x))$

We use the chain rule here:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dx} \tan^{-1}(\sin(3x)) &= \frac{1}{1 + \sin^2(3x)} \cdot \frac{d}{dx} \sin(3x) \\ &= \frac{3 \cos(3x)}{1 + \sin^2(3x)}\end{aligned}$$

2. Compute the following integrals:

(a) $\int \frac{w^3}{1 + w^8} dw$

We first note that $w^8 = (w^4)^2$, thus

$$\int \frac{w^3}{1 + w^8} dw = \int \frac{w^3}{1 + (w^4)^2} dw$$

Furthermore since the numerator has a w^3 , which is almost the derivative of w^4 , we perform the substitution $u = w^4$, with $du = 4w^3 dw$. Thus

$$\begin{aligned}\int \frac{w^3}{1 + w^8} dw &= \int \frac{w^3}{1 + (w^4)^2} dw \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \int \frac{1}{1 + u^2} du \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \tan^{-1}(u) + C \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \tan^{-1}(w^4) + C\end{aligned}$$

(b) $\int \frac{1}{u^2(3 + 4u)} du$

To do this integral, we do partial fractions:

$$\frac{1}{u^2(3 + 4u)} = \frac{A}{u} + \frac{B}{u^2} + \frac{C}{3 + 4u}$$

Multiplying through the entire equation by $u^2(3 + 4u)$ to get

$$1 = Au(3 + 4u) + B(3 + 4u) + Cu^2$$

Setting $u = 0$ gives the equation $1 = 3B$, or $B = \frac{1}{3}$. Setting $u = -\frac{3}{4}$ gives $C = \frac{16}{9}$, and for the last unknown, A , we need to pick another value of u , so setting $u = 1$, we end up with $A = -\frac{4}{9}$. So now we have

$$\begin{aligned}\int \frac{1}{u^2(3 + 4u)} du &= -\frac{4}{9} \int \frac{1}{u} du + \frac{1}{3} \int \frac{1}{u^2} du + \frac{16}{9} \int \frac{1}{3 + 4u} du \\ &= -\frac{4}{9} \ln(|u|) - \frac{1}{3} \frac{1}{u} + \frac{4}{9} \ln(|3 + 4u|) + C\end{aligned}$$

3. Compute the following limit: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan^{-1}(3x)}{\sin(2x)}$

If we plug in $x = 0$, we are of the form $\frac{0}{0}$ which means we can apply l'Hôpital's rule:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan^{-1}(3x)}{\sin(2x)} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{d}{dx} \tan^{-1}(3x)}{\frac{d}{dx} \sin(2x)} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{3}{1+9x^2}}{2 \cos(2x)} \\ &= \frac{3}{2} \end{aligned}$$

4. Determine whether the following sequences converge or diverge:

(a) $a_n = \frac{2n^2 \cos(n)}{n^2 + 4}$

We rewrite this as

$$a_n = \frac{2n^2}{n^2 + 4} \cdot \cos(n),$$

and note that as $n \rightarrow \infty$, the first term tends to 2, while the $\cos(n)$ term oscillates between -1 and 1. Thus the sequence diverges.

(b) $a_n = \frac{2n^2 \cos((2n+1)\pi)}{n^2 + 4}$

We rewrite this as

$$a_n = \frac{2n^2}{n^2 + 4} \cdot \cos((2n+1)\pi),$$

and note that as $n \rightarrow \infty$, the first term tends to 2, while the $\cos((2n+1)\pi)$ term is always -1. Thus the sequence converges to -2.

(c) $a_n = \frac{2n^2 \cos(1/n)}{n^2 + 4}$

We rewrite this as

$$a_n = \frac{2n^2}{n^2 + 4} \cdot \cos(1/n),$$

and note that as $n \rightarrow \infty$, the first term tends to 2, while the $\cos(1/n)$ term goes to $\cos(0) = 1$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Thus, the limit exists, and it is 2.

5. Determine whether the following series converge or diverge:

(a) $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos(1/k)}{\sqrt{k^3 + 1}}$

We can use the comparison test after recognizing that $0 \leq \cos(1/k) \leq 1$ for $1 \leq k < \infty$. Thus

$$0 < \frac{\cos(1/k)}{\sqrt{k^3 + 1}} < \frac{1}{\sqrt{k^3 + 1}} < \frac{1}{\sqrt{k^3}}$$

Since we know

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^{3/2}}$$

converges (p -series test with $p = 3/2 > 1$), by the comparison test, the series converges.

(b) $\sum_{k=6}^{\infty} \frac{2k + 3 \cos(2k+1)}{k^3}$

This can be done several ways, but we will use the comparison test. We start with the following observation for all k :

$$-3 \leq 3 \cos(2k+1) \leq 3,$$

and therefore,

$$-3 + 2k \leq 2k + 3 \cos(2k + 1) \leq 3 + 2k,$$

which gives (at least for $k > 6$ which we are concerned with):

$$0 \leq \frac{2k + 3 \cos(2k + 1)}{k^3} \leq \frac{3 + 2k}{k^3}.$$

We now have

$$\sum_{k=6}^{\infty} \frac{2k + 3 \cos(2k + 1)}{k^3} \leq \sum_{k=6}^{\infty} \frac{2k + 3}{k^3}.$$

We can show that

$$\sum_{k=6}^{\infty} \frac{2k + 3}{k^3} < \infty$$

by using the limit comparison test with $a_k = \frac{2k + 3}{k^3}$ and $b_k = \frac{1}{k^2}$. Therefore, the series is convergent.

6. Compute exactly: $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 3 \cdot \left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)^k$.

This is a geometric series with $r = -2/3$ and $a = 3$. Thus

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 3 \cdot \left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)^k = \frac{3}{1 - (-2/3)} = \frac{9}{5}$$