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TERM TEST I

1. Let P be a polynomial.

- (a) [3 pts] State the Factor Theorem which gives a necessary and sufficient condition for $(x - a)$ to be a factor of $P(x)$.
- (b) [2 pts] Use the Factor Theorem to show that $x + 1$ divides $x^{1001} + 1$. (Do not attempt to calculate the quotient.)

2. Let $f = \frac{P}{Q}$ be a rational function (where P and Q are polynomials).

- (a) [1 pts] Define “domain of f ” .
- (b) [1 pts] Define “singularities of f ” .
- (c) [2 pts] State a theorem giving information about the number of roots and singularities of f .
- (d) [4 pts] Find the *domain*, the *order* and *all the roots and singularities* of the function

$$f(x) = 1 + \frac{1}{x-1} - \frac{1}{x^2+1} .$$

3. Let f be a rational function.

- (a) [5 pts] State the Intermediate Value Theorem (IVT) for f on the interval $[a, b]$.
- (b) [5 pts] What does the IVT have to say about the function

$$f(x) = \frac{x^3 + 1}{(x^2 + 1)(x - 1)}$$

for the interval $[0, 2]$?

4. Let f be a rational function.

- (a) [5 pts] State the Rolle’s theorem for f on the interval $[a, b]$.
- (b) [5 pts] What does Rolle’s theorem have to say about the function

$$f(x) = \frac{x(x+1)}{x^2+1}$$

on the interval $[-1, 0]$? Verify this by actual calculation.

5. Let f be a rational function.

- (a) [5 pts] State the Mean Value Theorem (MVT) for f on the interval $[a, b]$.
- (b) [5 pts] What does MVT have to say about the function

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

on the interval $[0, 1]$?

6. Let $P(x) = x^6 + 5x^3 - x - 1$.

- (a) [3 pts] Find the linear approximation $A_1(x)$ to P near the point $a = 1$.
 (b) [5 pts] Find $h > 0$ such that $|P(x) - A_1(x)| \leq .001$ for $|x - 1| \leq h$.

7. [15 pts] Use Newton's method to find all the roots of

$$f(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 15x - 2$$

to an accuracy of 10^{-5} .

8. Let

$$f(x) = \frac{x^4 + 2}{x^2 - 1}$$

- (a) [2 pts] State the order of f .
 (b) [2 pts] Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)$.
 (c) [4 pts] Find positive constants R, m, M such that

$$m|x|^r \leq |f(x)| \leq M|x|^r$$

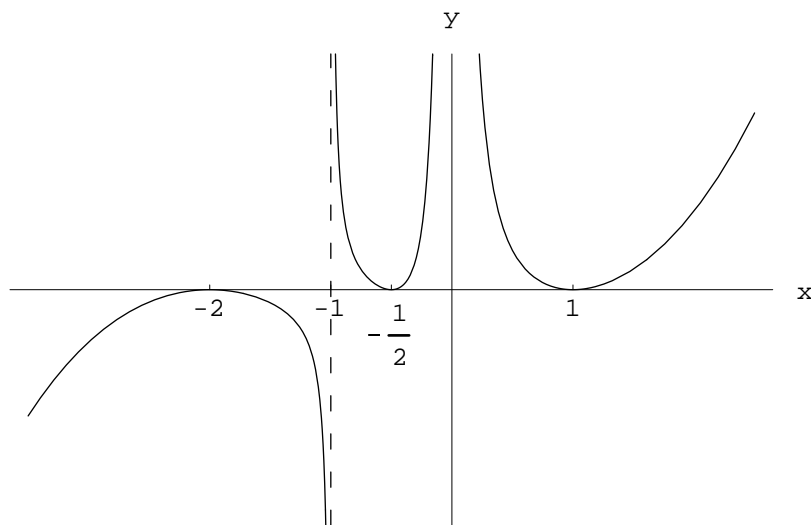
for $|x| \geq R$, where $r = \text{order } f$.

9. [8 pts] If $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are rational functions with order $f = r$ and order $g = s$, prove that order $(f/g) = r - s$.

10. [10 pts] Use the chart method for inequalities to solve

$$\frac{|x^2 - 1|(x^2 - x - 6)}{x^2 - 25} \leq 0$$

11. [8 pts] Find a formula for a rational function $f(x)$ having a graph of the form



(Assume that $f(x) \rightarrow \infty$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$, and $f(x) \rightarrow -\infty$ as $x \rightarrow -\infty$.)