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**Short answer questions — you must show your work**1. 6 marks Each part is worth 2 marks.(a) For what values of  $x$  does the derivative of  $\frac{e^x + x}{\cos(x)}$  exist? Explain your answer.**Solution:** The function is differentiable whenever  $\cos(x) \neq 0$  since the derivative equals

$$\frac{(e^x + 1) \cdot \cos(x) - (e^x + x) \cdot (-\sin(x))}{(\cos(x))^2},$$

which is well-defined unless  $\cos(x) = 0$ . So, the function is differentiable for all real values  $x$  except for  $x = \pm\frac{\pi}{2}, \pm\frac{3\pi}{2}, \pm\frac{5\pi}{2}, \dots$ **Marking scheme:**

- 1 mark for writing that the function is differentiable whenever the denominator is nonzero.
- 1 mark for solving correctly and finding **all** points where the function is not differentiable.

(b) Consider a function of the form  $f(x) = Ae^{kx}$  where  $A$  and  $k$  are constants. If  $f(0) = 4$  and  $f(3) = 1$ , find the constants  $A$  and  $k$ .**Solution:** The two pieces of information give us

$$f(0) = A = 4 \qquad f(3) = Ae^{3k} = 1$$

Thus we know that  $A = 4$  and so  $f(3) = 1 = 4e^{3k}$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} e^{3k} &= \frac{1}{4} \\ 3k &= \log(1/4) \\ k &= \frac{1}{3} \cdot \log(1/4) = -\frac{\log(4)}{3}. \end{aligned}$$

**Marking scheme:**

- One mark for each correct constant. The students do not need to simplify  $\log(1/4) = -\log(4)$ .

(c) Estimate  $\sin\left(\frac{13\pi}{12}\right)$  using a linear approximation

**Solution:** We use the function  $f(x) = \sin(x)$  and point  $a = \pi$  as the centre of our approximation since we know that

$$\sin(a) = f(\pi) = \sin \pi = 0.$$

We compute  $f'(x) = \cos(x)$ ; so

$$f'(\pi) = \cos(\pi) = -1.$$

So, the linear approximation of  $\sin\left(\frac{13\pi}{12}\right) = f\left(\frac{13\pi}{12}\right)$  is

$$T_1\left(\frac{13\pi}{12}\right) = f(\pi) + f'(\pi) \cdot \left(\frac{13\pi}{12} - \pi\right) = 0 + (-1) \cdot \frac{\pi}{12} = -\frac{\pi}{12}.$$

**Marking scheme:**

- 1 mark for writing that the function to use for the linear approximation is  $f(x) = \sin(x)$ , that  $a = \pi$  and that the formula for the linear approximation is  $f(a) + f'(a) \cdot (x - a)$ .
- 1 mark for obtaining the linear approximation  $-\frac{\pi}{12}$ .

## Long answer question — you must show your work

2. 4 marks Determine whether the derivative of following function exists at  $x = 0$

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^3 \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) & \text{if } x < 0 \\ 6x^3 + 2xe^x & \text{if } x \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

You must justify your answer.

**Solution:** The function is differentiable at  $x = 0$  if the following limit:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x) - 0}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x)}{x}$$

exists (note that we used the fact that  $f(0) = 0$  as per the definition of the second branch which includes the point  $x = 0$ ). We compute left and right limits; so

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(x)}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{6x^3 + 2xe^x}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} 6x^2 + 2e^x = 2$$

and

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{x^3 \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} x^2 \cdot \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right).$$

This last limit equals 0 by Squeeze Theorem since

$$-1 \leq \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \leq 1$$

and so,

$$-x^2 \leq x^2 \cdot \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \leq x^2,$$

where in these inequalities we used the fact that  $x^2 \geq 0$ . Finally, since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} -x^2 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} x^2 = 0$ , Squeeze Theorem yields that also  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} x^2 \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = 0$ , as claimed.

Since the left and right limits do not match, we conclude that indeed  $f(x)$  is *not* differentiable at  $x = 0$ . **Marking scheme:**

- 1 mark for writing the condition for differentiability, i.e. that the limit  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x)}{x}$  must exist.
- 1 mark for computing the right limit correctly.
- 1 mark for computing the left limit correctly. They lose 1 mark if they don't explain the use of Squeeze Theorem.
- 1 mark for the correct answer (i.e. both left and right limits do not match for  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)/x$ , hence the function is not differentiable at  $x = 0$ ).