

1.

(a) Use L'Hôpital's rule to show that for any integer $n \geq 0$, $\lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u^n}{e^u} = 0$.

(b) Use a substitution and the result of (a) to prove that $\lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} \frac{y^n}{e^{y^2}} = 0$ for any integer $n > 0$.

Note that you may have to make a small extra argument when n is odd.

(c) Use a substitution and the result of (b) to prove the lemma from the first day of class: For any integer $n \geq 0$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{x^2}}}{x^n} = 0$.

2. Let

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} e^{-\frac{1}{x^2}} & \text{if } x \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \end{cases}.$$

In class we showed that f was three times differentiable, and using the lemma, proved the formulas

$$f'(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{2}{x^3} \cdot e^{-\frac{1}{x^2}} & \text{if } x \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{and} \quad f''(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{4-6x^2}{x^6} \cdot e^{-\frac{1}{x^2}} & \text{if } x \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \end{cases}.$$

(a) Find $f'''(x)$ when $x \neq 0$.

(b) Find $f'''(0)$, explaining your steps, and explaining how you use the lemma.

(c) Write a piecewise formula for $f'''(x)$, similar to the formulas for f , f' , and f'' above.

Now let us prove that $f(x)$ is infinitely differentiable at $x_0 = 0$. We will prove this by induction. To make the induction work, we will need to prove something stronger. We will need to prove :

$$(*) \quad \left\| \begin{array}{l} \text{For each } k \geq 0, \text{ there is a polynomial } p_k(x) \text{ so that} \\ \\ f^{(k)}(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{p_k(x)}{x^{3k}} \cdot e^{-\frac{1}{x^2}} & \text{if } x \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \end{cases} \\ \\ \text{In particular, } f \text{ has a } k\text{-th derivative at } x_0 = 0, \text{ equal to } 0. \end{array} \right\|$$

We have already checked that statement $(*)$ is true when $k = 0, 1, 2$, and 3 .

- (d) What are the polynomials $p_0(x)$, $p_1(x)$, $p_2(x)$, and $p_3(x)$?
- (e) Assuming that $(*)$ is true for $k = n$, use the product and chain rules to show that for $x \neq 0$, $f^{(n+1)}(x)$ is of the form $\frac{p_{n+1}(x)}{x^{3n+3}} \cdot e^{-\frac{1}{x^2}}$ for some polynomial $p_{n+1}(x)$. You do not have to find a formula for the polynomial, just show that $f^{(n+1)}(x)$ is of that form.
- (f) Still assuming that $(*)$ is true when $k = n$, show that $f^{(n+1)}(0)$ exists, and is equal to 0. Explain carefully how you use the lemma and the inductive hypothesis in this step of the argument.

Thus, by (e) and (f), there is a polynomial $p_{n+1}(x)$ so that

$$f^{(n+1)}(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{p_{n+1}(x)}{x^{3n+3}} \cdot e^{-\frac{1}{x^2}} & \text{if } x \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \end{cases},$$

proving the inductive step.

3. Write each of the following complex numbers in the form $a + bi$.

(a) $(2 + 3i)(3 + 4i)$, (b) $\frac{2 + 3i}{3 + 4i}$, (c) $\frac{1}{1 - i} + \frac{1}{1 + 2i} + \frac{1}{3 + i}$.

(d) Let $a = 3 + 4i$ and $b = 6 - 7i$. Find the real and imaginary parts of $a + bi$.

4. One of our descriptions of the complex numbers was as a vector space over \mathbb{R} , with basis $1, i$. Fix a complex number $w = a + bi \in \mathbb{C}$. Let $\varphi: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be the map $\varphi(z) = wz$ (i.e., “multiplication by w ”).

- (a) Show that φ is an \mathbb{R} -linear map.
- (b) Write down the 2×2 matrix for φ with respect to the basis $1, i$.
- (c) What does φ do geometrically? [SUGGESTION: What is the geometric rule for multiplication?]
- (d) Suppose that $w = -1 + 0 \cdot i = -1$. What geometrically does φ do in this case?
- (e) Again with φ as in part (d), suppose you wanted to find a linear transformation ψ so that $\psi \circ \psi = \varphi$. What, geometrically, would ψ have to do? Can you find such a ψ ?
- (f) Does it seem strange that -1 has a square root? (Part (e) is relevant.)