

## Math 229 Calculus Computer Lab Spring 15 Sample Midterm 2

- You may only use `julia` during this exam. No calculators or cell phones.

(1) Convert the following `julia` expressions to standard mathematical expressions. Use parentheses to clearly indicate the order of operations:

(a) `a+b/(b-1)`

(b) `cos(1/2x)^2/2*x`

(c) `(y-x)/2z+3`

(2) Write `julia` commands to find the zeros of  $f(x) = x^2 - 4x + 4$  using

(a) `roots`

(b) `fzeros`

(c) The bisection method `fzero`

The last one doesn't work - explain why.

(3) Consider the equation  $e^{x/2} = 3/x$ .

(a) Show there is a solution by plotting the graphs of these functions.

(b) Write `julia` commands to find a numerical approximation to the solution, and find the solution.

(4) You wish to estimate

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos(3x) - e^{x^2/2}}{x^2}.$$

Write `julia` commands to generate a list of numbers  $\{10^{-1}, 10^{-2}, \dots, 10^{-10}\}$ .

Evaluate the function when  $x$  takes these values, and write down your results.

What do you think the limit is? Explain `julia`'s output.

(5) Let  $f(x) = \sin(1/x)$ .

- (a) Write `julia` commands to define an approximate derivative  $\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$  with  $h = 0.01$ .
- (b) Use symbolic differentiation in `julia` to find  $f'(x)$ .
- (c) Write `julia` commands to plot both functions on the same graph. What do you notice?
- (6) Use symbolic differentiation in `julia` to find the second derivative of  $f(x) = e^{1/x^2}$ . Write `julia` commands to find  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f''(x)$  by any method, and find the limit.