

9. [9 points] Consider the function $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\sin(x^2)}{x} & x \neq 0 \\ c & x = 0. \end{cases}$

- a. [2 points] Find the value of c that makes the function $f(x)$ continuous at $x = 0$. Show your work carefully.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(x^2)}{x} \stackrel{\text{by L'Hôpital}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2x \cos(x^2)}{1} = 2 \cdot 0 \cdot 1 = 0$$

Answer: $c = \underline{\hspace{2cm} 0 \hspace{2cm}}$

- b. [2 points] Let b_n be the n th positive value of x such that $f(x) = 0$. Write a formula for b_n .

$$f(x) = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\sin(x^2)}{x} = 0 \Rightarrow \sin(x^2) = 0 \Rightarrow x^2 = n\pi$$

for some integer n .

Answer: $b_n = \underline{\hspace{2cm} \sqrt{n\pi} \hspace{2cm}}$

For parts c and d below, let $a_n = \int_{b_{n-1}}^{b_n} f(x) dx$ for $n \geq 1$.

- c. [2 points] Explain why a_n is an alternating sequence.

Because \sin alternates from $+$ to $-$ between its zeroes:

$$a_n = \int_{\sqrt{(n-1)\pi}}^{\sqrt{n\pi}} \frac{\sin(x^2)}{x} dx \quad \text{Let } w = x^2, \Rightarrow dw = 2x dx$$

$$= \int_{(n-1)\pi}^{n\pi} \frac{\sin(w)}{2w} dw$$

- d. [3 points] Compute $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$. Provide clear justification and show your work.

$$|a_n| = \left| \int_{(n-1)\pi}^{n\pi} \frac{\sin(w)}{2w} dw \right| \leq \int_{(n-1)\pi}^{n\pi} \left| \frac{\sin(w)}{2w} \right| dw \leq \int_{(n-1)\pi}^{n\pi} \frac{dw}{2w}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \ln w \Big|_{(n-1)\pi}^{n\pi} = \frac{1}{2} [\ln(n\pi) - \ln((n-1)\pi)] = \frac{1}{2} \ln\left(\frac{n}{n-1}\right).$$

as $n \rightarrow \infty$, $\frac{n}{n-1} \rightarrow 1$, so $|a_n| \rightarrow 0$, so $a_n \rightarrow 0$

Answer: $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \underline{\hspace{2cm} 0 \hspace{2cm}}$