

1. (18%) Evaluate the limits

(a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (e^x - 1)^{\frac{1}{\ln x}}$

sol.

$$\text{Let } f(x) = (e^x - 1)^{\frac{1}{\ln x}} \Rightarrow \ln f(x) = \frac{\ln(e^x - 1)}{\ln x} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \ln f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\ln(e^x - 1)}{\ln x} =$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{e^x/(e^x - 1)}{1/x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{x e^x}{e^x - 1} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{e^x + x e^x}{e^x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1+x}{1} = 1$$

$$\text{Because } e^z \text{ is continuous at } z, \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (e^x - 1)^{\frac{1}{\ln x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} e^{\ln f(x)} = e^{\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \ln f(x)} = e^1$$

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{x^4} \int_0^{x^2} \frac{t}{t^2 + 1} dt$

sol.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{x^4} \int_0^{x^2} \frac{t}{t^2 + 1} dt = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{x^2}{x^4 + 1} \cdot 2x}{4x^3} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{2(x^4 + 1)} = \frac{1}{2}$$

(c) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n}{n^2 + 4} + \frac{n}{n^2 + 16} + \frac{n}{n^2 + 36} + \cdots + \frac{n}{n^2 + 4k^2} + \cdots + \frac{n}{5n^2} \right)$

sol.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n}{n^2 + 4} + \frac{n}{n^2 + 16} + \frac{n}{n^2 + 36} + \cdots + \frac{n}{n^2 + 4k^2} + \cdots + \frac{n}{5n^2} \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{1 + (2k/n)^2}$$
$$\frac{1}{n} = \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{1 + (2x)^2} = \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1} 2x \Big|_0^1 = \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1} 2$$

2. (18%)

(a) Find the equations of the tangent line and the normal line to the curve

$$3x^2 - \frac{4y}{x} = 5 \text{ at } x = 3.$$

sol.

$$x = 3 \Rightarrow 27 - \frac{4y}{3} = 5 \Rightarrow y = \frac{33}{2}$$

$$3x^2 - \frac{4y}{x} = 5 \Rightarrow 6x - \frac{4xy' - 4y}{x^2} = 0 \Rightarrow 18 - \frac{12y' - 66}{9} = 0 \Rightarrow y' = 19$$

$$\text{tangent line: } y - \frac{33}{2} = 19(x - 3); \text{ normal line: } y - \frac{33}{2} = \frac{-1}{19}(x - 3)$$

(b) Let $y = x^{a^b} + a^{x^b} + a^{b^x}$, $a > 0$, $b > 0$. Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$.

sol.

$$\frac{d}{dx}(x^{a^b}) = a^b x^{a^b-1}$$

$$\text{Let } y = a^{x^b} \Rightarrow \ln y = x^b \ln a \Rightarrow \frac{1}{y} y' = b x^{b-1} \ln a \Rightarrow y' = b(\ln a) x^{b-1} a^{x^b}$$

$$\text{Let } y = a^{b^x} \Rightarrow \ln y = b^x \ln a \Rightarrow \ln(\ln y) = x \ln b + \ln(\ln a)$$

$$\frac{1}{\ln y} \frac{1}{y} y' = \ln b \Rightarrow y' = (\ln b)(\ln y)y = (\ln b)(\ln a) b^x a^{b^x}$$

$$\therefore \frac{d}{dx}(x^{a^b} + a^{x^b} + a^{b^x}) = a^b x^{a^b-1} + b(\ln a) x^{b-1} a^{x^b} + (\ln b)(\ln a) b^x a^{b^x}$$

(c) Let $f(x) = \frac{x \cos x}{(x+1)(x+2)(x+3) \cdots (x+n)}$. Find $f'(0)$.

sol.

$$f'(x) = \frac{\cos x}{(x+1) \cdots (x+n)} + x \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\cos x}{(x+1) \cdots (x+n)} \right)$$

$$\therefore f'(0) = \frac{1}{n!}$$

3. (12%)

(a) Find the derivative of the function $f(x) = \int_{2x^2+1}^{x^3} te^t dt$.

sol. Use Fundamental Theorem of Calculus,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dx}f(x) &= x^3 e^{x^3} 3x^2 - (2x^2 + 1)e^{2x^2+1} 4x \\ &= 3x^5 e^{x^3} - (8x^3 + 4x)e^{2x^2+1}\end{aligned}$$

(b) Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ if $y + x = \int_y^{y^2} \sin(t^2) dt + \int_x^{x^2} \cos\sqrt{t} dt$.

sol. 等式兩邊同時對 x 微分,

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} + 1 &= 2y \frac{dy}{dx} \sin(y^4) - \frac{dy}{dx} \sin(y^2) + 2x \cos|x| - \cos\sqrt{x} \\ \Rightarrow (\sin(y^2) - 2y \sin(y^4) + 1) \frac{dy}{dx} &= 2x \cos|x| - \cos\sqrt{x} - 1 \\ \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{2x \cos|x| - \cos\sqrt{x} - 1}{\sin(y^2) - 2y \sin(y^4) + 1}\end{aligned}$$

4. (12%)

(a) Give an $\varepsilon - \delta$ proof to show that $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L$ implies $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} |f(x)| = |L|$.

sol.

For any $\varepsilon > 0$, there is a $\delta > 0$ such that if $0 < |x - a| < \delta$

Then $|f(x) - L| < \varepsilon$

Choose the same δ , whenever $0 < |x - a| < \delta$

$$\left| |f(x)| - |L| \right|^2 = (|f(x)| - |L|)^2 = f(x)^2 + L^2 - 2|f(x)L|$$

$$= (f(x) - L)^2 + 2(f(x)L - |f(x)L|)$$

$$\leq |f(x) - L|^2 + 2 \cdot 0 < \varepsilon^2$$

Then $\left| |f(x)| - |L| \right| < \varepsilon$

That is

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} |f(x)| = |L|.$$

(b) Show that the reversed direction of the above statement is not true.

sol.

Let $f(x) = 1$ for $x \geq 0$, $f(x) = -1$ for $x < 0$ and $|f(x)| = 1$

Since

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} |f(x)| = 1 = L$$

However $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = 1 = L$,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = -1 \neq L$$

5. (8%)

Find the total area of the region between the curves $y = \sin x$ and $y = \cos x$ for

$$0 \leq x \leq \frac{3}{2}\pi.$$

sol.

Let A be the area of the region between $\sin x$ and $\cos x$ for $0 \leq x \leq \frac{3}{2}\pi$.

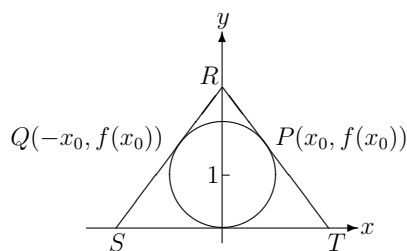
$$\begin{aligned} A &= \int_0^{\pi/4} (\cos x - \sin x) dx + \int_{\pi/4}^{5\pi/4} (\sin x - \cos x) dx + \int_{5\pi/4}^{3\pi/2} (\cos x - \sin x) dx \\ &= (\sin x + \cos x) \Big|_0^{\pi/4} + (-\cos x - \sin x) \Big|_{\pi/4}^{5\pi/4} + (\sin x + \cos x) \Big|_{5\pi/4}^{3\pi/2} \\ &= (\sqrt{2} - 1) + (\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{2}) + (-1 + \sqrt{2}) \\ &= 4\sqrt{2} - 2. \end{aligned}$$

6. (12%)

Let $f(x)$ be the function representing the upper half of the circle $x^2 + (y-1)^2 = 1$ centered at $(0, 1)$. A triangle RST is formed by the tangent lines to the circle at $P(x_0, f(x_0))$ and $Q(-x_0, f(x_0))$ as shown in the figure, where $x_0 \in (0, 1)$.

(a) Show that the area of the triangle is $A(x_0) = -f'(x_0) \left[x_0 - \frac{f(x_0)}{f'(x_0)} \right]^2$.

(b) Determine the height of the triangle with minimum area.



sol.

(a) Tangent line: $y = f(x_0) + f'(x_0)(x - x_0)$,

$$x\text{-intercept: } x_i = x_0 - \frac{f(x_0)}{f'(x_0)},$$

$$y\text{-intercept: } y_i = f(x_0) - x_0 f'(x_0).$$

The area of the triangle $\triangle RST$ is

$$A(x_0) = x_i y_i = \left(x_0 - \frac{f(x_0)}{f'(x_0)} \right) (f(x_0) - x_0 f'(x_0)) = -f'(x_0) \left(x_0 - \frac{f(x_0)}{f'(x_0)} \right)^2.$$

(b) Let O be the origin, and let $h = \overline{OR} > 2$.

$$\text{Thus, } \overline{PR}^2 + 1^2 = (h - 1)^2 \text{ and } \overline{OT} : h = 1 : \overline{PR}.$$

$$A(h) = \overline{OT} \cdot \overline{OR} = \frac{h^2}{\sqrt{h^2 - 2h}}, \quad A'(h) = \frac{h^2(h-3)}{(h^2 - 2h)^{3/2}}.$$

$$A'(h) = 0 \Rightarrow h = 3.$$

Since $h^2 > 0$ and $(h^2 - 2h)^{3/2} > 0$, we have $A'(h) < 0$ when $h < 3$ and

$A'(h) > 0$ when $h > 3$, that is, $A(h)$ decreases when $h < 3$, and increases

when $h > 3$.

So $h = 3$ minimizes $A(h)$.

7. (20%)

Let $f(x) = \frac{x^3 - x - 1}{x^2}$. Answer the following questions.

(a) The domain of $y = f(x)$ is $\underline{\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}}$.

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

(c) $y = f(x)$ has critical point(s) at $\underline{x = -1}$.

(d) $f''(x) = \underline{-\frac{2}{x^3} - \frac{6}{x^4} = \frac{-2(x+3)}{x^4}}$.

(e) $y = f(x)$ is increasing on interval(s) $\underline{(-\infty, -1) \text{ and } (0, \infty)}$,

$y = f(x)$ is decreasing on interval(s) $\underline{(-1, 0)}$.

(f) $y = f(x)$ is concave up on interval(s) $\underline{(-\infty, -3)}$,

$y = f(x)$ is concave down on interval(s) $\underline{(-3, 0) \text{ and } (0, \infty)}$.

(g) Find the (x, y) -coordinates of the following points if exist.

Local maximum point(s) : $\underline{(-1, -1)}$,

Local minimum point(s) : $\underline{\text{none}}$,

Inflection point(s) : $\underline{(-3, \frac{-25}{9})}$.

(h) Find the asymptotes of the graph $y = f(x)$ if exist.

Vertical asymptotes(s) : $\underline{x = 0}$,

Horizontal asymptotes(s) : $\underline{\text{none}}$ as $x \rightarrow \underline{\text{none}}$,

Slanted asymptotes(s) : $\underline{y = x}$ as $x \rightarrow \underline{\infty \text{ or } -\infty}$.

(i) Sketch the graph of $y = f(x)$ on the next page.

ans:

The domain of $f(x)$ is $\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$

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

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

$$\therefore f'(x) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x = -1$$

$\therefore f(x)$ has critical point at $x = -1$

and $f'(x) > 0$ on $(-\infty, -1)$ and $(0, \infty)$

$f'(x) < 0$ on $(-1, 0)$

$\therefore f(x)$ increasing on $(-\infty, -1)$ and $(0, \infty)$ and $f(x)$ decreasing on $(-1, 0)$

$$f''(x) = -\frac{2}{x^3} - \frac{6}{x^4} = \frac{-2(x+3)}{x^4}$$

$$\therefore f''(x) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x = -3$$

and $f''(x) > 0$ on $(-\infty, -3)$

$f''(x) < 0$ on $(-3, 0)$ and $(0, \infty)$

$\therefore f(x)$ concave up on $(-\infty, -3)$ and $f(x)$ concave down on $(-3, 0)$ and $(0, \infty)$

since $f'(-1) = 0$, and $f''(-1) < 0$,

$\therefore f(x)$ has a local maximum point at $(x, y) = (-1, -1)$

and $f'(-3) > 0$, and $f''(-3) = 0$,

$\therefore f(x)$ has inflection point at $(x, y) = (-3, \frac{-25}{9})$

$f(x)$ has no local minimum points

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

$\therefore f(x)$ approaches to $y = x$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$ and $x \rightarrow -\infty$

$\therefore f(x)$ has a slanted asymptote $y = x$

$$\text{and } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = -\infty$$

$\therefore f(x)$ has a vertical asymptote $x = 0$

$f(x)$ has no horizontal asymptotes

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

圖形見下頁。

