

1. Find the following limits.

$$(a) \ (5\%) \ \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-x^{\frac{3}{2}} + 2x}{3x^{\frac{3}{2}} + 3x - 5} \quad (b) \ (6\%) \ \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \left( \frac{\tan 2x}{x} + \frac{1}{\ln x} \right) \quad (c) \ (6\%) \ \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (1 + 3x)^{\frac{1}{\arcsin 2x}}$$

$$(d) \ (5\%) \ \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left( \frac{1}{2x} - \frac{1}{1 - e^{-2x}} \right)$$

**Solution:**

$$(a) \ \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-x^{\frac{3}{2}} + 2x}{3x^{\frac{3}{2}} + 3x - 5} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-1 + 2x^{-\frac{1}{2}}}{3 + 3x^{-\frac{1}{2}} - 5x^{-\frac{3}{2}}} \quad (3 \text{ pts}) = \frac{-1 + 2 \cdot 0}{3 + 3 \cdot 0 - 5 \cdot 0} = -\frac{1}{3} \quad (2 \text{ pts})$$

$$(b) \ \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \left( \frac{1}{\ln x} \right) = 0 \quad (\because \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \ln x = -\infty) \quad (1 \text{ pt})$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\tan 2x}{x} \stackrel{\text{L'H}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{2 \sec^2 2x}{1} \quad (2 \text{ pts for } (\tan x)' = \sec^2 x. \ 1 \text{ pt for the chain rule.})$$

$$= 2 \quad (1 \text{ pt})$$

$$\text{Hence } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \left( \frac{\tan 2x}{x} + \frac{1}{\ln x} \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \left( \frac{\tan 2x}{x} \right) + \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{\ln x} = 2$$

Another solution for computing  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\tan 2x}{x}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\tan 2x}{x} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\sin 2x}{x} \cdot \frac{1}{\cos 2x} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\sin 2x}{2x} \cdot 2 \cdot \frac{1}{\cos 2x} \quad (2 \text{ pts}) \\ &= \left( \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\sin 2x}{2x} \right) \cdot \left( \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} 2 \cdot \frac{1}{\cos 2x} \right) \\ &= 1 \cdot 2 = 2 \quad (2 \text{ pts}) \end{aligned}$$

(Students can use the limit  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\sin 2x}{x} = 2$ )

$$(c) \ \ln \left( (1 + 3x)^{\frac{1}{\arcsin 2x}} \right) = \frac{\ln(1 + 3x)}{\arcsin(2x)} \quad (1 \text{ pt})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\ln(1 + 3x)}{\arcsin(2x)} &\stackrel{\text{L'H}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\frac{3}{1+3x}}{\frac{2}{\sqrt{1-4x^2}}} \quad (1 \text{ pt for } (\ln(1 + 3x))', \ 2 \text{ pts for } (\arcsin(2x))') \\ &= \frac{3}{2} \quad (1 \text{ pt}) \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (1 + 3x)^{\frac{1}{\arcsin 2x}} = e^{\frac{3}{2}}$  (1 pt)

(d)

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left( \frac{1}{2x} - \frac{1}{1 - e^{-2x}} \right) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - e^{-2x} - 2x}{2x((1 - e^{-2x}))} \\ &\stackrel{\text{L'H}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2e^{-2x} - 2}{2(1 - e^{-2x}) + 4xe^{-2x}} \quad (2 \text{ pts}) \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{-2x} - 1}{1 - e^{-2x} + 2xe^{-2x}} \stackrel{\text{L'H}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-2e^{-2x}}{4e^{-2x} - 4xe^{-2x}} \quad (2 \text{ pts}) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2}. \quad (1 \text{ pt}) \end{aligned}$$

2. Let  $f(x) = \begin{cases} |x| \cos\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) & \text{if } x \neq 0, \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 0. \end{cases}$

- (a) (5%) Determine whether  $f(x)$  is continuous at  $x = 0$ . Explain your answer.  
(b) (5%) Determine whether  $f(x)$  is differentiable at  $x = 0$ . Explain your answer.

**Solution:**

(a) Since  $-1 \leq \cos\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \leq 1$  for all  $x \neq 0$ ,  $-|x| \leq |x| \cos\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \leq |x|$  for all  $x \neq 0$ . (2 points)

By Squeeze Theorem,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} |x| \cos\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = 0$ . (2 points)

Since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} |x| \cos\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = f(0)$ ,  $f(x)$  is continuous at  $x = 0$ . (1 point)

(b)

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0} \text{ (1 point)} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{|x| \cos\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)}{x} \text{ (1 point)} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \cos\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \text{ (1 point)} \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \cos\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$  does not exist (1 point), Hence  $f(x)$  is not differentiable at  $x = 0$  (1 point).

3. Find  $f'(x)$ .

(a) (7%)  $f(x) = \arctan\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) + \ln\sqrt{\frac{x-2}{x+2}}$ , for  $x > 2$ .

(b) (8%)  $f(x) = x^{\ln(x^3)} + 2^x$ , for  $x > 0$ .

**Solution:**

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dx}\left(\arctan\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)\right) &= \frac{1}{1 + (x/2)^2} \cdot \frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) \text{ (2 points)} \\ &= \frac{2}{4 + x^2} \text{ (1 point)} \\ \frac{d}{dx}\left(\ln\sqrt{\frac{x-2}{x+2}}\right) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{x-2}{x+2}}} \cdot \frac{d}{dx}\left(\sqrt{\frac{x-2}{x+2}}\right) \text{ (1 point)} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{x-2}{x+2}}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{x-2}{x+2}}} \cdot \frac{2}{(x+2)^2} \text{ (1 point)} \\ &= \frac{2}{x^2 - 4} \text{ (1 point)}\end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{4x^2}{x^4 - 16}$  (1 point).

(b) Let  $a = x^{\ln(x^3)}$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned}\ln a &= \ln(x^3) \ln x = 3(\ln x)^2 \text{ (2 points)} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{1}{a} \frac{da}{dx} &= 6 \ln x \cdot \frac{1}{x} \text{ (2 points)} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{da}{dx} &= \frac{6x^{\ln(x^3)} \ln x}{x} \text{ (1 point)}\end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(2^x) = \ln 2 \cdot 2^x \text{ (2 points)}$$

Thus  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{6x^{\ln(x^3)} \ln x}{x} + \ln 2 \cdot 2^x$  (1 point).

4.  $\tan(x - y) = x^2 + \sin(2y)$  defines  $y$  as an implicit function of  $x$  near  $(0, 0)$  which is denoted by  $y = y(x)$ .

(a) (7%) Compute  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  at  $(0, 0)$ .

(b) (5%) Write down the linearization of  $y(x)$  at  $x = 0$ . Use the linear approximation to estimate  $y(0.01)$ .

**Solution:**

(a)  $\tan(x - y(x)) = x^2 + \sin(2y(x)) \xrightarrow{\frac{d}{dx}} \sec^2(x - y) \cdot (1 - y') = 2x + 2 \cos(2y) \cdot y'$   
(4 pts total. 1 pt for  $(\tan x)' = \sec^2 x$ . 1 pt for  $(\sin x)' = \cos x$ . 2 pts for the chain rule.)

At  $(x, y) = (0, 0)$ ,  $\sec^2(0)(1 - y'(0)) = 0 + 2 \cdot \cos 0 \cdot y'(0)$

Hence  $y'(0) = \frac{1}{3}$ .

(3 pts total. 2 pt for plugging in  $(x, y) = (0, 0)$ . 1 pts for solving  $y'(0)$ .)

(b) The linearization of  $y(x)$  at  $x = 0$  is

$$L(x) = y(0) + y'(0)(x - 0) \quad (1 \text{ pt})$$

$$= 0 + \frac{1}{3}x = \frac{1}{3}x \quad (2 \text{ pts}) \leftarrow \text{(a)算錯的話, 這裡扣 1 分}$$

Hence we can approximate  $y(0.01)$  by  $L(0.01)$  which is  $L(0.01) = \frac{0.01}{3}$ . (2 pts) ((a)算錯的話, 這裡再扣 1 分)

5. *Dominant 7* is an acappella (阿卡貝拉) group formed by seven students at NTU. They have performed and won several international competitions. Currently they are planning to organise their first concert. When  $x$  tickets are demanded for their concert, the price of the tickets can be described by the function

$$p(x) = \frac{96}{\sqrt{x}} - \frac{x}{9} \text{ where } 1 \leq x \leq 90.$$

The cost in organising the concert is given by the function  $C(x) = 0.001x^3 - 0.105x^2 + 300$ .

- (a) (6%) Find the maximum revenue generated by the ticket sales. (Revenue = Price  $\times$  Quantity demanded)  
 (b) (5%) Discuss when the economy of scale occurs. i.e. the marginal cost  $C'(x)$  is decreasing.  
 (c) (3%) Write down the profit function  $\Pi(x)$ . (Profit = Revenue - Cost).  
 (d) (4%) Student A claims that when the revenue is maximized, the profit is also maximized. Do you agree with Student A? Explain.

**Solution:**

(a)

**Marking Scheme.**

- (1M) Writing down the correct revenue function  
 (2M) Find  $R'(x)$  correctly (1M for each term)  
 (1M) Find the correct critical number  $x = 36$   
 (2M) Any argument that  $x = 36$  indeed gives a maximum value

**Sample solution.**

The revenue function is  $R(x) = x \cdot p(x) = 96\sqrt{x} - \frac{x^2}{9}$ .  
(1M)

Differentiate :  $R'(x) = \frac{48}{\sqrt{x}} - \frac{2x}{9}$ . Set  $R'(x) = 0$ , we obtain  $x = 36$ .  
(2M) (1M)

(\*\*) Since  $R''(x) = -24x^{-\frac{3}{2}} - \frac{2}{9}$  and hence  $R''(36) < 0$ , the second derivative test implies that  $R(x)$  attains a maximum at  $x = 36$ .

**Alternative for (\*\*). (Using first derivative test)**

$x$	...	36	...
$R'(x)$	+	0	-

Therefore, the first derivative test implies that  $R(x)$  attains a maximum at  $x = 36$ .

**Another alternative for (\*\*). (Using Extreme Value Theorem)**

Compare the critical value and values at boundaries :  $R(1) = 96 - \frac{1}{9}$ ,  $R(36) = 96 \cdot 6 - 144$  and  $R(90) = 96\sqrt{90} - 900$ . We conclude that  $R(x)$  attains a maximum at  $x = 36$ .

(b)

**Marking Scheme.**

- (1M) Writing down  $C''(x) < 0$  or  $C''(x) \leq 0$   
 (2M) Find  $C''(x)$  correctly  
 (2M) Solving the inequality correctly.  
 Remark 1. Accept both  $<$  and  $\leq$ .  
 Remark 2. No deductions for omitting  $1 \leq x$  in the final answer.

**Sample solution.**

The economy occurs when

$$\underbrace{C''(x) < 0}_{1M} \Leftrightarrow \underbrace{0.006x - 0.21 < 0}_{2M} \Leftrightarrow \underbrace{x < 35}_{2M}.$$

Hence, the economy occurs when  $1 \leq x < 35$ .

(c)

**Marking Scheme.**

Almost all or nothing. Minor deduction for obvious typo.

**Sample solution.**

$$\Pi(x) = x \left( \frac{96}{\sqrt{x}} - \frac{x}{9} \right) - (0.0001x^3 - 0.105x^2 + 300) \dots (3M)$$

(d)

**Marking Scheme.**

The key argument is to verify that  $x = 36$  is not a critical number for the profit/cost function.

(2M) Correct approach

(2M) Verifying  $\Pi'(36) = C'(36) \neq 0$

Remark. Just disagreeing student A or writing 'No' only without any elaborations receive no credits.

Remark. A student who gets (a) or (c) incorrect can get at most 2M here.

**Sample solution 1. (Arguing by Profit)**

If  $\Pi(x)$  attains a maximum at  $x = x_0$ , Fermat's Theorem implies that  $\Pi'(x_0) = 0$ . ... (2M)

However,  $\Pi'(36) = R'(36) + C'(36) = 0 + C'(36) < 0$ . ... (2M)

Therefore,  $\Pi(x)$  does not attain a maximum at  $x = 36$ . This disproves Student A's claim.

**Sample solution 2. (Arguing by Cost)**

If  $\Pi(x)$  attains a maximum at  $x = x_0$ , then marginal cost and marginal revenue are equal. ... (2M)

i.e.  $R'(x_0) = C'(x_0)$ .

However,  $R'(36) = 0$  by (a) whereas  $C'(36) < 0$ . ... (2M)

Therefore,  $\Pi(x)$  does not attain a maximum at  $x = 36$ . This disproves Student A's claim.

6.  $f(x) = (x^2 + x)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ .

- (a) (10%) Write down the domain of  $f(x)$ . Find all asymptotes of  $y = f(x)$ .  
 (b) (5%) Compute  $f'(x)$ . Find interval(s) of increase and interval(s) of decrease of  $f(x)$ .  
 (c) (5%) Compute  $f''(x)$ . Determine concavity of  $y = f(x)$ .  
 (d) (3%) Sketch the curve  $y = f(x)$ .

**Solution:**

(a)

**Marking Scheme.** Domain : 3 % + Slant asymptote : 3.5 % each

Domain :

- 1% - Solving  $x(x + 1) = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$  or  $x = -1$
- 2% - The correct domain

Asymptotes : (at  $\pm\infty$  - 3.5% each)

- 1% - for computing  $a = \lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} \frac{f(x)}{x}$  correctly
- 1.5% - for computing  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} (f(x) - ax)$  correctly
- 1% - for writing down the equation of the asymptote

**Remark.** Also okay if a student manages to guess an asymptote  $y = ax + b$  and check  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} (f(x) - ax - b) = 0$  directly.

**Sample Solution.**

(Domain)

The domain of  $f = \{x | x^2 + x \geq 0\}$ .

Let  $h(x) = x^2 + x = x(x + 1)$ . Now we want to determine the sign graph of  $h(x)$ . We first solve  $x^2 + x = 0$ , i.e.  $x(x + 1) = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$  or  $x = -1$ . (1 point)

These two points divide the real line into three subintervals  $(-\infty, -1) \cup (-1, 0) \cup (0, \infty)$ . Evaluate  $g(-2) = (-2)(-2 + 1) > 0$ ,  $g(-0.5) = (-0.5)(-0.5 + 1) < 0$  and  $g(1) = 1(1 + 1) > 0$ . So  $g(x) = x^2 + x > 0$  on  $(-\infty, -1) \cup (0, \infty)$ .

So the domain of  $f$  is  $(-\infty, -1] \cup [0, \infty)$ . (2 points)

Note that  $g$  is continuous on  $(-\infty, -1] \cup [0, \infty)$ . There is no vertical asymptote.

To find slant asymptotes, we first compute

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(x)}{x} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(x^2 + x)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(x^2(1 + \frac{1}{x}))^{\frac{1}{2}}}{x} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x((1 + \frac{1}{x}))^{\frac{1}{2}}}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} ((1 + \frac{1}{x}))^{\frac{1}{2}} = 1. \end{aligned}$$

(1 point)

Then we compute

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (x^2 + x)^{\frac{1}{2}} - x \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} - x = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x \left[\left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} - 1\right] \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\left[\left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} - 1\right]}{\frac{1}{x}} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\left[(1+h)^{\frac{1}{2}} - 1\right]}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\left[(1+h)^{\frac{1}{2}} - 1\right]'}{h'} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\frac{1}{2}(1+h)^{-\frac{1}{2}}}{1} \\ &= \frac{1}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

(1.5 point)

Thus  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (x^2 + x)^{\frac{1}{2}} - (x + \frac{1}{2}) = 0$  or equivalently  $y = x + \frac{1}{2}$  is a slant asymptote.

(1 point).

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{f(x)}{x} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{(x^2 + x)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{(x^2(1 + \frac{1}{x}))^{\frac{1}{2}}}{x} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{-x((1 + \frac{1}{x})^{\frac{1}{2}})}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} -\left((1 + \frac{1}{x})^{\frac{1}{2}}\right) = -1. \end{aligned}$$

(1 point)

Now we compute

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} (x^2 + x)^{\frac{1}{2}} + x \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} -x \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} + x = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} x \left[-\left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} + 1\right] \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{\left[-\left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} + 1\right]}{\frac{1}{x}} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{\left[-(1+h)^{\frac{1}{2}} + 1\right]}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{\left[-(1+h)^{\frac{1}{2}} + 1\right]'}{h'} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{-\frac{1}{2}(1+h)^{-\frac{1}{2}}}{1} \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

(1.5 point)

Thus  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} (x^2 + x)^{\frac{1}{2}} - (-x - \frac{1}{2}) = 0$  and  $y = -x - \frac{1}{2}$  is also also slant asymptote.

(1 point).

(b)

**Marking Scheme.**

2% - correct  $f'(x)$

1% - for correctly determining the signs of each sub-intervals

1% - for the correct interval of increase

1% - for the correct interval of decrease

**Sample solution.**

$$f'(x) = \frac{d}{dx} (x^2 + x)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{2} (x^2 + x)^{-\frac{1}{2}} (2x + 1). \quad (2 \text{ point})$$

Recall the domain of  $f$  is  $(-\infty, -1] \cup [0, \infty)$ .  $f'(x) = 0$  has no solution in its domain.  $f'(-2) = \frac{1}{2} (4-2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} (-4+$

$1) < 0$  and  $f'(1) = \frac{1}{2} (1+1)^{-\frac{1}{2}} (2+1) > 0$ .

(1 point for signs)

So  $f'(x) < 0$  and  $f$  is decreasing on  $(-\infty, -1)$ .

(1 point)

$f'(x) > 0$  and  $f$  is increasing on  $(0, \infty)$ .

(1 point)



(c)

**Marking Scheme.**

3% - correct  $f''(x)$

2% - for the correct interval/explaining why the curve is always concaving downward

**Sample Solution.**

Using  $f'(x) = \frac{1}{2}(x^2 + x)^{-\frac{1}{2}}(2x + 1)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} f''(x) &= \frac{1}{2}([(x^2 + x)^{-\frac{1}{2}}]'(2x + 1) + (x^2 + x)^{-\frac{1}{2}}(2x + 1)') \\ &= \frac{1}{2}\left(-\frac{1}{2}(x^2 + x)^{-\frac{3}{2}}(2x + 1)^2 + (x^2 + x)^{-\frac{1}{2}}2\right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{4}(x^2 + x)^{-\frac{3}{2}}((2x + 1)^2 - 4(x^2 + x)) \\ &= -\frac{1}{4}(x^2 + x)^{-\frac{3}{2}}(4x^2 + 4x + 1 - 4x^2 - 4x) \\ &= -\frac{1}{4}(x^2 + x)^{-\frac{3}{2}}. \end{aligned}$$

(3 point)

Recall the domain of  $f$  is  $(-\infty, -1] \cup [0, \infty)$  and  $x^2 + x > 0$  on  $(-\infty, -1) \cup (0, \infty)$ . So  $f''(x) < 0$  and  $f$  is concave down on  $(-\infty, -1) \cup (0, \infty)$ . (2 points)

(d)

**Marking Scheme.**

1% - appropriate 'ends' (or  $x$ -intercepts or one-sided vertical tangents)

1% - the two slant asymptotes

1% - the shape (increase, decrease, always concaving downward)

**Remark.** It's okay that the students do not demonstrate vertical-ness of the one-sided tangents at the points  $x = 0$  and  $x = -1$ .

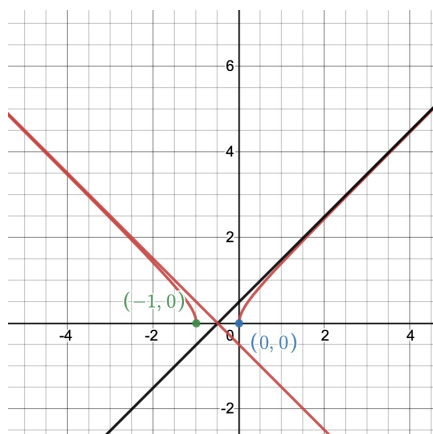
**Sample solution.**

Note that  $f(-1) = f(0) = 0$ .

$f$  is decreasing and concave down on  $(-\infty, -1)$ .  $f$  is increasing and concave down on  $(0, \infty)$ .

(1 point)

Also, note that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1^-} f'(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow -1^-} \frac{1}{2}(x^2 + x)^{-\frac{1}{2}}(2x + 1) = -\infty$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f'(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{2}(x^2 + x)^{-\frac{1}{2}}(2x + 1) = \infty$ .  $f$  has a one sided vertical tangent at  $x = -1$  and  $x = 0$



(Slant asymptotes - 1 point) (Correct shape - 1 point)