

1. (18%) (a) Let $f_1(x) = x^{a^a} + a^{x^a} + a^{a^x}$, $a > 0$, $x > 0$, and $f_2(x) = \int_{x^x}^{\sqrt{\ln x}} e^{t^2} dt$, $x > 1$.

Then $f_1'(x) =$ _____ ,

$f_2'(x) =$ _____ .

- (b) Suppose that $y = y(x)$ is implicitly defined by $x^y = y^x$.

Then at $(x, y) = (2, 4)$, $\frac{dy}{dx} =$ _____ .

Sol:

- (a-1) First note that :

$$dx^b/dx = bx^{b-1}$$

&

$$db^x/dx = (\ln b)b^x$$

We use this and chain rule to solve the problem.

$$\begin{aligned} df_1(x)/dx &= d(x^{a^a})/dx + d(a^{x^a})/dx + d(a^{a^x})/dx \\ &= a^a x^{a^a-1} + (\ln a)a^{x^a} d(x^a)/dx + (\ln a)a^{a^x} d(a^x)/dx \\ &= a^a x^{a^a-1} + (\ln a)a^{x^a} a(x^{a-1}) + (\ln a)a^{a^x} (\ln a)a^x \\ &= a^a x^{a^a-1} + (\ln a)a^{x^a+1}(x^{a-1}) + (\ln a)^2 a^{a^x+x} \end{aligned}$$

- (a-2)

$$\begin{aligned} df_2(x)/dx &= d \int_{x^x}^{\sqrt{\ln x}} f(t)dt/dx \\ &= d \int_{x^x}^a e^{t^2} dt/dx + d \int_a^{\sqrt{\ln x}} e^{t^2} dt/dx \\ &= (d \int_{x^x}^a e^{t^2} dt/dx^x) dx^x/dx + (d \int_a^{\sqrt{\ln x}} e^{t^2} dt/d\sqrt{\ln x}) d\sqrt{\ln x}/dx \\ &= (-e^{x^2})(x^x)(\ln x + 1) + (e^{\sqrt{\ln x}^2})(1/2)((\ln x)^{-1/2})(1/x) \\ &= -e^{x^2} x^x (\ln x + 1) + \frac{1}{2} (\ln x)^{-1/2} \\ &\quad \left(\frac{dx^x}{x} = \frac{de^{x \ln x}}{dx} = e^{x \ln x} \frac{dx \ln x}{dx} = x^x (\ln x + 1) \right) \end{aligned}$$

(b) Implicit function:

$$x^y = y^x$$

First take "ln" to both sides

$$y \ln x = x \ln y$$

Differentiate both sides w.r.t x (take y as a function of x)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} \ln x + \frac{y}{x} &= \ln y + x \frac{dy/dx}{y} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\ln y - y/x}{\ln x - x/y} \end{aligned}$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} \left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{(2,4)} &= \frac{\ln 4 - 2}{\ln 2 - 1/2} \\ &= \frac{2 \ln 4 - 4}{2 \ln 2 - 1} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{4(\ln 2 - 1)}{\ln 4 - 1} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{\ln 16 - 4}{\ln 4 - 1} \end{aligned}$$

2. (18%) Determine whether the following limits exist. If the limit exists, evaluate it. If the limit doesn't exist, explain why.

(a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (1 + |\sin x|)^{\frac{1}{x}} =$ _____ ,

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{2^x + 3^x + 5^x}{3} \right)^{\frac{1}{x}} =$ _____ .

(c) First express $\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\ln 2 + \ln(n+k) - \ln n}{n+k}$ as a Riemann sum for a function defined on $[0, 2]$.

Then evaluate $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\ln 2 + \ln(n+k) - \ln n}{n+k}$.

Answer. $\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\ln 2 + \ln(n+k) - \ln n}{n+k} =$ _____ ,

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\ln 2 + \ln(n+k) - \ln n}{n+k} =$ _____ .

Sol:

(a) using the continuity of exponential function and L.H rule

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (1 + |\sin(x)|)^{\frac{1}{x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \exp\left(\frac{1}{x} \ln(1 + |\sin(x)|)\right)$$

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

so the limit doesn't exist .

(b) still using the continuity of exponential function and L.H rule

$$\begin{aligned}
\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \left(\frac{2^x + 3^x + 5^x}{3}\right)^{\frac{1}{x}} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \exp\left(\frac{1}{x} \ln\left(\frac{2^x + 3^x + 5^x}{3}\right)\right) \\
&= \exp\left(\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \left(\frac{\frac{2^x \ln(2) + 3^x \ln(3) + 5^x \ln(5)}{3}}{\frac{2^x + 3^x + 5^x}{3}}\right)\right) = \exp\left(\frac{\ln(2) + \ln(3) + \ln(5)}{3}\right) \\
&= \exp\left(\frac{\ln(30)}{3}\right) = 30^{\frac{1}{3}}
\end{aligned}$$

the same argument for

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \left(\frac{2^x + 3^x + 5^x}{3}\right)^{\frac{1}{x}}$$

so the limit exists and the limit is $30^{\frac{1}{3}}$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\ln 2 + \ln(n+k) - \ln(n)}{n+k} &= \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\ln\left(2 + \frac{2k}{n}\right)}{n+k} \\
&= \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{2 \ln\left(2 + \frac{2k}{n}\right)}{2 + \frac{2k}{n}} \text{ or } \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1 \ln 2\left(1 + \frac{k}{n}\right)}{1 + \frac{k}{n}} \\
\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\ln 2 + \ln(n+k) - \ln(n)}{n+k} &= \int_0^2 \frac{\ln(2+x)}{2+x} dx \text{ or } \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(2(1+x))}{1+x} dx \\
&= \int_0^2 \ln(2+x) d(\ln(2+x)) = \frac{3}{2} (\ln(2))^2
\end{aligned}$$

3. (8%) Let

$$H(x) = \begin{cases} e^{\frac{1}{x}} & , x < 0 \\ m & , x = 0 \\ a \sin x + b \cos x + cx & , x > 0 \end{cases}$$

Find conditions of m, a, b, c , such that, respectively,

- (a) $H(x)$ is continuous everywhere. Answer: _____ ,
- (b) $H(x)$ is differentiable everywhere. Answer: _____ ,
- (c) $H(x)$ has an inflection point at $x = 0$. Answer: _____ .

Sol:

- (a) Since $H(x)$ is continuous everywhere, thus we have

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} H(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} H(x) = H(0)$$

$$\implies \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} e^{\frac{1}{x}} = H(0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (a \sin x + b \cos x + cx)$$

$$\text{and } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} e^{\frac{1}{x}} = 0, H(0) = m,$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (a \sin x + b \cos x + cx) = b$$

$$\text{so } b = m = 0.$$

- (b) Since $H(x)$ is differentiable everywhere, thus $H(x)$ is continuous everywhere, so $b = m = 0$

$$\text{and } \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{H(h) - H(0)}{h - 0} = H'(0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{H(h) - H(0)}{h - 0}$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{e^{\frac{1}{h}}}{h} &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{\frac{1}{h}}{e^{-\frac{1}{h}}} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{-\frac{1}{h^2}}{\frac{1}{h^2} e^{-\frac{1}{h}}} \\ &= - \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} e^{\frac{1}{h}} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{and } \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{a \sin h + ch}{h} = a + c$$

thus the conditions are $b = m = 0, a + c = 0$.

- (c) Since $H(x)$ is continuous at $x = 0$, thus $b = m = 0$

For $x \leq 0$,

$$H'(x) = -\frac{1}{x^2} e^{\frac{1}{x}} \text{ and } H''(x) = \frac{(2x+1)e^{\frac{1}{x}}}{x^4},$$

so $H''(x) \geq 0$ for $-\frac{1}{2} < x < 0$.

For $x \geq 0$, $H'(x) = a \cos x + c$ and $H''(x) = -a \sin x$.

Since $x = 0$ is an inflection point and $H''(x) \geq 0$ for $x \in (-\frac{1}{2}, 0)$, hence $a \geq 0$

thus the conditions are $b = m = 0, a \geq 0$

4. (12%) Let $g(x) = \frac{a}{x^3 + 3x + 4} + \frac{b}{x^3 + x - 2}$, $ab > 0$. Show that $g(x) = 0$ has exactly one real solution.

Sol:

$$g(x) = \frac{a(x^3 + x - 2) + b(x^3 + 3x + 4)}{(x^3 + 3x + 4)(x^3 + x - 2)}$$

Define $f(x) = a(x^3 + x - 2) + b(x^3 + 3x + 4)$.

$$x^3 + x - 2 = (x - 1)(x^2 + x + 2); \quad x^3 + 3x + 4 = (x + 1)(x^2 - x + 4)$$

$$(x^2 + x + 2 > 0, \quad x^2 - x + 4 > 0, \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R})$$

$$f(1) = 8b \neq 0; \quad f(-1) = -4a \neq 0$$

So $f(x) = 0$ and $g(x) = 0$ have the same roots.

Because $f(1)f(-1) = -32ab < 0$, there is at least one root of $f(x) = 0$ in $(-1, 1)$ by IVT.

If $f(\alpha) = f(\beta) = 0$ for some $\alpha < \beta$.

By MVT, $\exists c \in (\alpha, \beta)$ such that

$$f'(c) = \frac{f(\beta) - f(\alpha)}{\beta - \alpha} = 0.$$

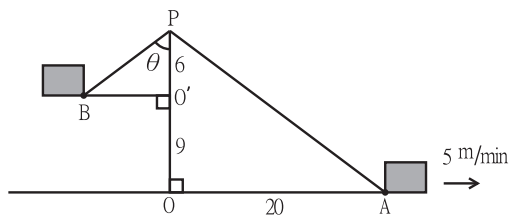
But $f'(c) = a(3c^2 + 1) + b(3c^2 + 3) > 0$ (or < 0 , depending on the signs of a and b),

a contradiction.

So $f(x) = 0$ has exactly one root. $\implies g(x) = 0$ has exactly one root.

5. (12%) Car A at the lower level pulls car B, which is located on the upper level 9 meters higher, with constant velocity 5 m/min to the right while a pulley 6 meters above the upper level is used to connect the two cars. Suppose that the total length of the rope is 35 meters. Let O be the point right underneath pulley P on the lower level, and $\theta = \angle BPO$. Find the changing rate of θ when car A is 20 meters away from point O. See figure below.

Answer: _____ .



Sol:

Let $\overline{OA} = x(t)$, then we have

$$35 - \sqrt{225 + x(t)^2} = 6 \sec \theta(t)$$

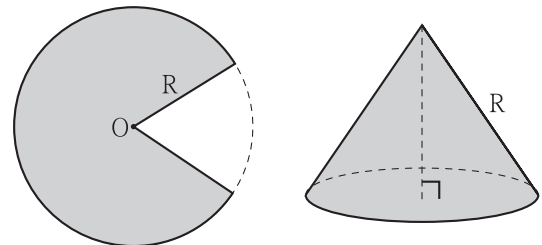
Differentiate both sides with respect to t and we get

$$-\frac{2x(t) \cdot x'(t)}{2\sqrt{225 + x(t)^2}} = 6 \sec \theta(t) \tan \theta(t) \cdot \theta'(t)$$

Now since $x'(t) = 5$ and when $x(t^0) = 20$, we have $\sec \theta(t^0) = \frac{5}{3}$ and $\tan \theta(t^0) = \frac{4}{3}$, thus we get $\theta'(t^0) = -\frac{3}{10}$ (rad/min).

6. (12%) A sector is cut off from a circle of radius R , $R > 0$. The remaining part (shaded region) is used to construct a right circular cone. Find the maximal possible volume of the cone. See figure below. (Hint. The volume of a right circular cone = $\frac{1}{3}$ (base area)·(height).)

Answer: The maximal volume= _____ .



O : center of the circle

Sol:

Assume that the height of the cone is equal to $h > 0$. Then the radius of the circle at the bottom is equal to $\sqrt{R^2 - h^2}$. The volume of the cone is

$$V(h) = \frac{\pi}{3} \left(\sqrt{R^2 - h^2} \right)^2 h = \frac{\pi}{3} (R^2 h - h^3)$$

To find the maximum value of $V(h)$, consider $V'(h) = 0$. This gives

$$\frac{\pi}{3} (R^2 - 3h^2) = 0$$

So $h^2 = R^2/3$. That is, $h = R/\sqrt{3}$ since $R > h > 0$. Now we can check this is exactly the point which makes V occur a maximum value by considering $V(0) = V(R) = 0$ and $V(h) \geq 0$

trivially. And the maximum value is

$$V\left(\frac{R}{\sqrt{3}}\right) = \frac{2\sqrt{3}\pi R^3}{27}$$

7. (20%) Let $f(x) = \frac{x^2(x-2)}{(x+1)^2}$. Answer the following questions.

(a) The domain of $y = f(x)$ is _____.

(b) $f'(x) =$ _____.

(c) $y = f(x)$ has critical point(s) at _____.

(d) $f''(x) =$ _____.

(e) $y = f(x)$ is increasing on interval(s) _____,

$y = f(x)$ is decreasing on interval(s) _____.

(f) $y = f(x)$ is concave up on interval(s) _____,

$y = f(x)$ is concave down on interval(s) _____.

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

Local maximum point(s) : _____,

Local minimum point(s) : _____,

Inflection point(s) : _____.

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

Vertical asymptotes(s) : _____,

Horizontal asymptotes(s) : _____ as $x \rightarrow$ _____,

Slant asymptotes(s) : _____ as $x \rightarrow$ _____.

(i) Sketch the graph of $y = f(x)$ on page 11.

Sol:

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

(a) The domain of $y = f(x)$ is $\mathbb{R} \setminus \{-1\}$.

(b) $f'(x) = \frac{x(x+4)(x-1)}{(x+1)^3}$.

(c) $y = f(x)$ has critical point(s) at $x = -4, 0, 1$.

(d) $f''(x) = \frac{2(7x-2)}{(x+1)^4}$.

(e) $y = f(x)$ is increasing on interval(s) $(-\infty, 4) \cup (-1, 0) \cup (1, \infty)$.

$y = f(x)$ is decreasing on intervals(s) $(-4, -1) \cup (0, 1)$.

(f) $y = f(x)$ is concave up on interval(s) $(\frac{2}{7}, \infty)$.

$y = f(x)$ is concave down on interval(s) $(-\infty, -1) \cup (-1, \frac{2}{7})$.

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

Local maximal point(s): $(-4, \frac{32}{3}), (0, 0)$.

Local minimal point(s): $(1, -\frac{1}{4})$.

Inflection point(s): $(\frac{2}{7}, -\frac{16}{189})$.

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

Vertical asymptotes(s): $x = -1$.

Horizontal asymptotes(s): *none*.

Slant asymptotes(s): $y = x - 4$ as $x \rightarrow \pm\infty$.

(i)

