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**Question 1**

- (i) We take the derivative  $f'(x) = 12x^5 - 60x^3 = 12x^3(x + \sqrt{5})(x - \sqrt{5})$ . This is negative in  $(-\infty, -\sqrt{5})$ , positive in  $(-\sqrt{5}, 0)$ , negative in  $(0, \sqrt{5})$ , and positive again in  $(\sqrt{5}, \infty)$ . Therefore the function is increasing in  $(-\sqrt{5}, 0)$  and  $(\sqrt{5}, \infty)$ , and it is decreasing in  $(-\infty, -\sqrt{5})$  and  $(0, \sqrt{5})$ .
- (ii) By the Increasing-Decreasing Test on the previous result, local minima are at  $(-\sqrt{5}, f(-\sqrt{5})) = (-\sqrt{5}, -121)$  and  $(\sqrt{5}, f(\sqrt{5})) = (\sqrt{5}, -121)$ . There is a local maximum at  $(0, f(0)) = (0, 4)$ .
- (iii) We take the second derivative  $f''(x) = 60x^4 - 180x^2 = 60x^2(x + \sqrt{3})(x - \sqrt{3})$ . We see that this is positive at  $(-\infty, -\sqrt{3})$  and  $(\sqrt{3}, \infty)$ , and so  $f$  is concave up in these intervals.  $f''$  is negative at  $(-\sqrt{3}, \sqrt{3})$ , and so  $f$  is concave down in that interval.
- (iv) From the previous result, the sign of the second derivative changes at  $x = \pm\sqrt{3}$ . Therefore, we have inflection points  $(-\sqrt{3}, -77)$  and  $(\sqrt{3}, -77)$ .

**Question 2**

(a)

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

- (b) We wish to show for all  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that  $0 < |x + 1| < \delta$  implies

$$\left| \frac{2-x}{1+x^2} - \frac{3}{2} \right| \leq \epsilon$$

We choose  $\delta = \min \{1, \frac{2}{7}\epsilon\}$ . Then  $0 < |x + 1| < \delta$  implies

$$\begin{array}{rclcl} -1 & < & x + 1 & < & 1 \\ -2 & < & x & < & 0 \\ 1 & < & 1 + x^2 & < & 5 \\ \frac{1}{5} & < & \frac{1}{1+x^2} & < & 1 \\ & & \left| \frac{1}{1+x^2} \right| & < & 1 \end{array}$$

and also

$$\begin{array}{rclcl} -6 & < & 3x & < & 0 \\ 1 & < & -3x + 1 & < & 7 \\ & & |-3x + 1| & < & 7 \end{array}$$

Now we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{2-x}{1+x^2} - \frac{3}{2} \right| &= \left| \frac{1-2x-3x^2}{2(1+x^2)} \right| \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left| \frac{1}{1+x^2} \right| |-3x+1| |1+x| \\ &< \frac{1}{2} (1) (7) \delta \\ &\leq \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

as desired.

### Question 3

(a) We decompose into partial fractions:

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{x^2}{(x^2 - 3x + 2)^2} dx &= \int \left[ \frac{4}{x-1} + \frac{1}{(x-1)^2} - \frac{4}{x-2} + \frac{4}{(x-2)^2} \right] dx \\ &= 4 \ln|x-1| - \frac{1}{(x-1)} - 4 \ln|x-2| - \frac{4}{x-2} + C \end{aligned}$$

(b) We substitute  $u = \sqrt{1-x}$ , so that  $du = -\frac{dx}{2\sqrt{1-x}}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 \frac{1}{(2-x)\sqrt{1-x}} dx &= - \int_1^0 \frac{2}{(1+u^2)} du \\ &= 2 \int_0^1 \frac{du}{1+u^2} \\ &= 2 (\tan^{-1}(1) - \tan^{-1}(0)) \\ &= \frac{\pi}{2} \end{aligned}$$

### Question 4

(i) We take the first integral and substitute  $u = 6 - x$  so that  $du = -dx$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \int_2^4 \frac{f(9-x)}{f(9-x) + f(x+3)} dx &= - \int_4^2 \frac{f(u+3)}{f(u+3) + f(9-u)} du \\ &= \int_2^4 \frac{f(x+3)}{f(9-x) + f(x+3)} dx \end{aligned}$$

as desired.

(ii) Continuing from our previous result,

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \int_2^4 \frac{f(9-x)}{f(9-x) + f(x+3)} dx &= \int_2^4 \frac{f(9-x) + f(x+3)}{f(9-x) + f(x+3)} dx \\ \int_2^4 \frac{f(9-x)}{f(9-x) + f(x+3)} dx &= \frac{1}{2} \int_2^4 dx \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $f(x) = \sqrt[5]{x}$  is a positive, continuous function on the interval  $[5, 7]$ , we simply plug in to obtain

$$\int_2^4 \frac{\sqrt[5]{9-x}}{\sqrt[5]{9-x} + \sqrt[5]{x+3}} dx = 1$$

### Question 5

Let  $x$  be the radius of the semicircular portion of the Norman window of perimeter 9. Then the height of the rectangular portion would be  $\frac{9-x\pi-2x}{2}$ . The area  $A$  of the window is

$$A(x) = \frac{1}{2}\pi x^2 + 2x \left( \frac{9-x\pi-2x}{2} \right) = -\frac{\pi+4}{2}x^2 + 9x$$

The derivative  $A'(x)$  is  $(-\pi-4)x+9$ , which is positive when  $x \in \left(-\infty, \frac{9}{\pi+4}\right)$  and negative when  $x \in \left(\frac{9}{\pi+4}, \infty\right)$ . By the Increasing-Decreasing Test,  $A$  is maximum at  $x = \frac{9}{\pi+4}$ . Therefore the Norman window of perimeter 9m of largest area has width  $\frac{9}{\pi+4}$  and length (tip of semicircular part to base)  $\frac{18}{4+\pi}$ .

### Question 6

- (a) We use cylindrical shells. The curve  $y = x + \frac{4}{x}$  intersects  $y = 5$  twice - first at  $(1, 5)$ , and then at  $(4, 5)$ . The region enclosed is below the line  $y = 5$  and above  $y = x + \frac{4}{x}$  from  $x = 1$  to  $x = 4$ . Hence we have

$$\begin{aligned} 2\pi \int_1^4 (x+1) \left( 5 - x - \frac{4}{x} \right) dx &= 2\pi \int_1^4 \left( -x^2 + 4x + 1 - \frac{4}{x} \right) dx \\ &= 2\pi \left[ -\frac{1}{3}x^3 + 2x^2 + x - 4\ln x \right]_{x=1}^{x=4} \\ &= 2\pi [-21 + 30 + 3 - 8\ln 2] \\ &= (24 - 16\ln 2)\pi \end{aligned}$$

(b) We take first the derivative  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ , and then integrate  $\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
 y &= 8 \left( \ln \frac{2 + \sqrt{x}}{2 - \sqrt{x}} - \sqrt{x} \right) \\
 &= 8 (\ln (2 + \sqrt{x}) - \ln (2 - \sqrt{x}) - \sqrt{x}) \\
 \frac{dy}{dx} &= 8 \left( \frac{1}{2 + \sqrt{x}} \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} + \frac{1}{2 - \sqrt{x}} \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \right) \\
 &= \frac{4}{\sqrt{x}} \left( \frac{4}{4 - x} - 1 \right) \\
 \left( \frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 &= \frac{16}{x} \left[ \frac{x^2}{(4 - x)^2} \right] \\
 \sqrt{1 + \left( \frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2} &= \sqrt{1 + \frac{16x}{(4 - x)^2}} \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{(4 + x)^2}{(4 - x)^2}} \\
 &= \frac{8}{4 - x} - 1 \\
 \int_0^1 \sqrt{1 + \left( \frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2} dx &= \int_0^1 \left( \frac{8}{4 - x} - 1 \right) dx \\
 &= [-8 \ln (4 - x) - x]_{x=0}^{x=1} \\
 &= 16 \ln 2 - 8 \ln 3 - 1
 \end{aligned}$$

### Question 7

(a) We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 F(x) &= \int_0^x f(t) (x - t)^2 dt \\
 &= \int_0^x (x^2 f(t) - 2f(t)xt + t^2 f(t)) dt \\
 &= x^2 \int_0^x f(t) dt - 2x \int_0^x t f(t) dt + \int_0^x t^2 f(t) dt \\
 F'(x) &= 2x \int_0^x f(t) dt + x^2 f(x) - 2 \int_0^x t f(t) dt - 2x^2 f(x) + x^2 f(x) \\
 &= 2x \int_0^x f(t) dt - 2 \int_0^x t f(t) dt \\
 F''(x) &= 2 \int_0^x f(t) dt + 2x f(x) - 2x f(x) \\
 F'''(x) &= 2f(x)
 \end{aligned}$$

(b) We substitute  $u = a + (b - a)x$ ,  $du = (b - a)dx$ , and obtain the limit through l'Hospital's Rule:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \int_0^1 [a(1-x) + bx]^t dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{t}} &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \frac{\int_a^b u^t du}{b-a} \right\}^{\frac{1}{t}} \\
 &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \left[ \frac{b^{t+1} - a^{t+1}}{(t+1)(b-a)} \right]^{\frac{1}{t}} \\
 &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \exp \left[ \frac{\ln(b^{t+1} - a^{t+1}) - \ln(t+1) - \ln(b-a)}{t} \right] \\
 &= \exp \left[ \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\ln(b^{t+1} - a^{t+1}) - \ln(t+1) - \ln(b-a)}{t} \right] \\
 &= \exp \left[ \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{(\ln b)b^{t+1} - (\ln a)a^{t+1}}{b^{t+1} - a^{t+1}} - \frac{1}{t+1}}{1} \right] \\
 &= \exp \left[ \frac{b \ln b - a \ln a}{b-a} - 1 \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{e} \left( \frac{b^b}{a^a} \right)^{b-a}
 \end{aligned}$$

(c) We observe that for  $n \neq 0, 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 f'(a) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+nh) - f(a)}{nh} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+(n-1)h) - f(a)}{(n-1)h}
 \end{aligned}$$

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 f'(a) &= nf'(a) - (n-1)f'(a) \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+nh) - f(a)}{h} - \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+(n-1)h) - f(a)}{h} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+nh) - f(a+(n-1)h)}{h}
 \end{aligned}$$

as desired.

## Question 8

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{dy}{dx} - (\tan x) y &= \exp(-x) \tan x \\
\cos x \frac{dy}{dx} - (\sin x) y &= \exp(-x) \sin x \\
\frac{d}{dx} [y \cos x] &= \exp(-x) \sin x \\
y \cos x &= \int \exp(-x) \sin x dx \\
&= -\exp(-x) \sin x + \int \exp(-x) \cos x dx \\
&= -\exp(-x) \sin x - \exp(-x) \cos x - \int \exp(-x) \sin x dx \\
&= -\frac{1}{2} \exp(-x) (\sin x + \cos x) + C \\
y &= -\frac{1}{2} \exp(-x) (\tan x + 1) + \frac{C}{\cos x}
\end{aligned}$$

When  $x = 0$ ,  $y = 1$ , hence

$$\begin{aligned}
1 &= -\frac{1}{2} \exp(-0) (\tan 0 + 1) + \frac{C}{\cos 0} \\
\Rightarrow C &= \frac{3}{2}
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$y = -\frac{1}{2} \left( e^{-x} (\tan x + 1) - \frac{3}{\cos x} \right)$$

(b) We solve the differential equation

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{dT}{dt} &= -k(T - T_S) \\
\frac{dT}{T - T_S} &= -k dt \\
\ln |T - T_S| &= -kt + C \\
T &= T_S + Ae^{-kt}
\end{aligned}$$

where  $A = e^C$

We have  $T(0) = 20$ ,  $T(5) = 25$ , and  $T(10) = 28$ , giving us

$$\begin{aligned}
20 &= T_S + A \\
25 &= T_S + Ae^{-5k} \\
28 &= T_S + Ae^{-10k}
\end{aligned}$$

We have

$$e^{5k} = \frac{1 - e^{-5k}}{e^{-5k} - e^{-10k}} = \frac{20 - 25}{25 - 28} = \frac{5}{3}$$

and therefore  $20 = T_S + A$ , and  $25 = T_S + \frac{3}{5}A$ , concluding that  $T_S = \frac{5}{2} \left( 25 - \frac{3}{5} \cdot 20 \right) = 32.5$ . The outdoor temperature is therefore  $32.5^\circ$ .

**Question 9**

If we can show that there exists two real numbers  $c_1$  and  $c_2$ , ( $c_1 \neq c_2$ ) such that  $f(c_1) = f(c_2)$ , then we are done, because by Rolle's Theorem there must exist some  $c$  between  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  such that  $f'(c) = 0$ .

Since  $f$  is differentiable on  $\mathbb{R}$ , it must be defined on  $\mathbb{R}$ . Now, for any point  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , we have either  $f(x) < 0$ ,  $f(x) = 0$  or  $f(x) > 0$ . There are obviously more than 3 points on the real line, hence by the Pigeonhole Principle, there must exist two numbers  $x_1 < x_2$  for which  $f(x_1)$  and  $f(x_2)$  have the same sign (positive, negative, or zero).

- **Case 1:**  $f(x_1)$  and  $f(x_2)$  are both zero. Then immediately, we are done.
- **Case 2:**  $f(x_1)$  and  $f(x_2)$  are either both positive or both negative. If  $|f(x_1)| = |f(x_2)|$  then  $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$  and we are done. Now, assume that  $|f(x_1)| \neq |f(x_2)|$ .
  - Suppose  $|f(x_1)| > |f(x_2)|$ . Since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = 0$ , there exists some  $N \in \mathbb{R}$  such that if  $x < N$ ,  $|f(x)| < |f(x_2)|$ ; clearly  $x_1 > N$ . Take any  $x_3 < N < x_1$ . It follows that  $f(x_2)$  is between  $f(x_1)$  and  $f(x_3)$ . (We note that it doesn't matter if the sign of  $f(x_3)$  is the same as that of  $f(x_1)$  or  $f(x_2)$ .) Since  $f$  is continuous, from the Intermediate Value Theorem there must exist  $x_4 \in (x_3, x_1)$  such that  $f(x_4) = f(x_2)$ , and we are done. (Note that  $x_4 < x_1 < x_2$  and hence  $x_4 \neq x_2$ )
  - Suppose  $|f(x_1)| < |f(x_2)|$ . Similarly, use  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = 0$ . There exists some  $M \in \mathbb{R}$  so that if  $x > M$ ,  $|f(x)| < |f(x_1)|$ ; clearly  $x_2 < M$ . Take any  $x_3 > M > x_2$ .  $f(x_1)$  must be between  $f(x_2)$  and  $f(x_3)$ . Since  $f$  is continuous, from the Intermediate Value Theorem there must exist  $x_4 \in (x_2, x_3)$  such that  $f(x_4) = f(x_1)$ , and we are done. (Note that  $x_4 > x_2 > x_1$  and hence  $x_4 \neq x_1$ )

**END OF SOLUTIONS**

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