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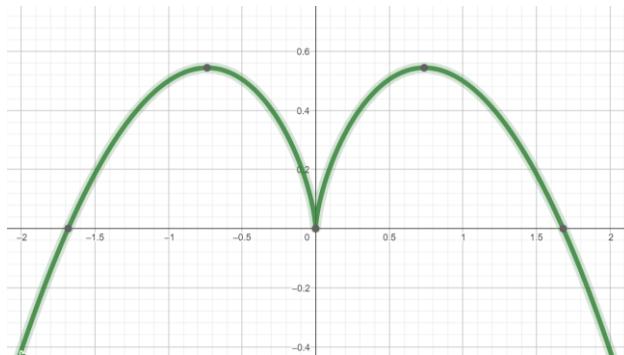
US25 MTH 124 Activity 4 (4.1/4.2/4.3/4.4/4.5/5.1/5.3) (ALL WORK REQUIRED)

Note: (1) If you think the answer doesn't exist, just demonstrate your work and write "DNE" or "doesn't exist".

(2) Each question is worth 5 points. And the final score will be rescaled to the total 20 points and then rounded to 2 decimal place.

1) (20points) The graph of the function $f(x) = x^3 - \frac{x^2}{2}$ is given below. Follow the

following steps to find out the extrema of the function over the interval [-1, 2].



[i] What are the singular points of $f(x)$?

[ii] What are the stationary points of $f(x)$?

[iii] What are the endpoints of $f(x)$ over this interval [-1, 2]?

[iv] Find all extrema of the function f and determine they are relatively/absolutely minimum/maximum.

2) (10points) Compute $f'(x)$ for the following function.

[i] $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 2}{x + 1}$

[ii] $f(x) = e^{-|x|}$

3) (5points) Find the values of the constants a.

[i] $f(x) = \frac{2x + a}{x + 1}$ with $f'(1) = 1$

- 4) (5points) A formation of mold is growing in a circular rate in a petri dish. The radius is measured to be growing at a rate of 0.4 cm/day. How fast is the area of the mold growing when the culture has reached a radius of 5cm?



- 5) (10points) **Rounded the answers in this problem to 1 decimal places.**

On a road, the position of a car is described by the following equation:

$$P(t) = 6(t - 1)^3 + 6t + 6, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 3$$

Where the unit of t is hour and the unit of P is mile.

- [i] Does this car go over the speed limit? Assume the speed limit is 60 mile/hr.

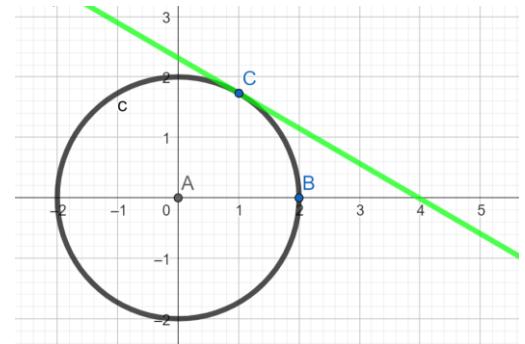


- [ii] When does this car have no acceleration?

6) (15points) Given a circle centered at the origin with radius 2. There is a point $C(1, \sqrt{3})$ on the circle. Follow the following steps to find the equation of the tangent of C to the circle

[i] Formulate the y coordinate of the upper circle as a function of the x coordinate.

[ii] What's the slope of the tangent line at C?



[iii] What's the equation of the tangent line at C?