

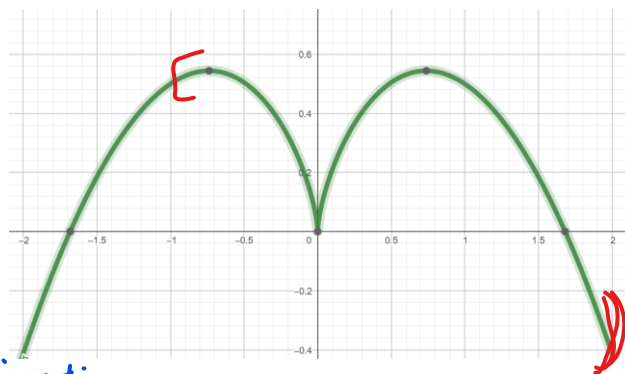
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US25 MTH 124 Activity 4 (4.1/4.2/4.3/4.4/4.5/5.1/5.3) (ALL WORK REQUIRED)

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 $f(x) = x^{\frac{2}{3}} - \frac{x^2}{2}$ is given below. Follow the following steps to find out the extrema of the function over the interval $[-1, 2]$.



no derivative

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

$$(x^n)' = n x^{n-1}$$

$$(0, 0)$$

$$f'(x) = 0$$

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

$$f'(x) = \frac{2}{3} x^{-\frac{1}{3}} - \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2x = \frac{2}{3} x^{-\frac{1}{3}} - x = 0$$

$$x^{-\frac{1}{3}} \left(\frac{2}{3} - x^{\frac{4}{3}} \right) = 0$$

$$x^{\frac{4}{3}} = \frac{2}{3} \quad (1) \left(+\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{\frac{3}{4}}, f(\dots) \right)$$

$$x = \pm \left(\frac{2}{3} \right)^{\frac{3}{4}} \quad (2) \left(-\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{\frac{3}{4}}, f(-\dots) \right)$$

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

$$\left(-1, f(-1) \right), \quad f(-1) = (-1)^{\frac{2}{3}} - \frac{1}{2} = 1 - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}, \quad \left(-1, \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

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

$$(1) (0, 0) \text{ rel. min.}$$

$$(2) \left(+\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{\frac{3}{4}}, f(\dots) \right) \text{ abs. max}$$

$$(3) \left(-\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{\frac{3}{4}}, f(\dots) \right) \text{ abs max}$$

$$(4) \left(-1, \frac{1}{2} \right) \text{ rel. min}$$

quotient rule

$$\left(\frac{g}{h}\right)' = \frac{g'h - gh'}{h^2}$$

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

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

$g = x^2 - 2$, $g' = 2x$

$h = x + 1$, $h' = 1$

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

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Chain rule

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

$$g(h(x))' = g'(h(x)) \cdot h'(x)$$

$g(x) = e^{-x}$, $g'(x) = -e^{-x}$

$h(x) = |x|$

$g(h(x)) = e^{-|x|}$

$h'(x) = \frac{|x|}{x}$

$$f'(x) = \underbrace{-e^{-|x|}}_{g'(h(x))} \cdot \underbrace{\frac{|x|}{x}}_{h'(x)}$$

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

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

$$f(x) = \frac{2x + a}{x + 1} = \frac{2(x+1) - 2 + a}{x + 1} = 2 + \frac{-2 + a}{x + 1}$$

$$f'(x) = 0 + (-2 + a) \cdot \underbrace{\left(-\frac{1}{(x+1)^2}\right)}_{\left(\frac{1}{x+1}\right)'}$$

$$f'(1) = 1 = (-2 + a) \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{4}\right)$$

$$-4 = -2 + a$$

$$a = -2$$

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$$A(r) = \pi r^2 \quad A(r(t)) = \pi (r(t))^2$$

$$r'(t) = 0.4 \text{ cm/day}$$

- 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?



$$\frac{d}{dt} A(r=5)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} A(t) = \frac{dA(r)}{dr} \cdot \frac{dr}{dt}$$

$$= A'(r(t)) \cdot r'(t)$$

$$= 2\pi r(t) \cdot r'(t)$$

$$= 2\pi \cdot 5 \cdot 0.4 = 4\pi \text{ cm}^2/\text{day}$$

- 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.

$$P'(t) = 18(t-1)^2 + 6 > 60$$

$$t > 1.5 = 2.73 \approx 2.7$$

$$18(t-1)^2 > 54$$

$$(t-1)^2 > 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{t > 1 + \sqrt{3}} \\ t < 1 - \sqrt{3} \text{ (non sense)}$$

Yes, when $t > 2.7$



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

$$P''(t) = 0$$

$$P''(t) = 36(t-1) = 0$$

$$t = 1 \quad \#$$

- 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

$$x^2 + y^2 = r^2 = 4$$

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

$$g(x) = \sqrt{x}$$

$$h(x) = 4 - x^2$$

$$g'(x) = \frac{1}{2} x^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

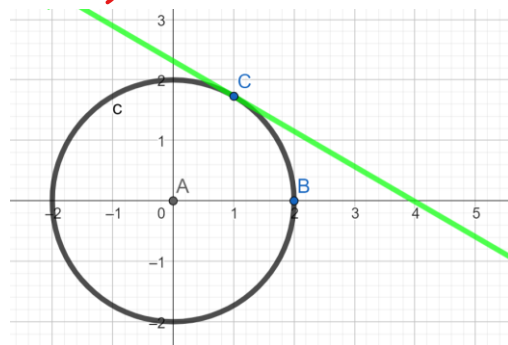
$$h'(x) = -2x$$

$$y^2 = 4 - x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \sqrt{4 - x^2} \quad (\text{upper circle})$$

$$y = \pm \sqrt{4 - x^2}$$

lower circle



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

$$y' = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} (4 - x^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}}}_{g'(h(x))} \cdot \underbrace{(4 - x^2)'}_{h'(x)} = \frac{-x}{\sqrt{4 - x^2}}$$

$$y'(1) = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{3}} \quad \times$$

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

$$y = ax + b$$

$$\Rightarrow y = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}x + b$$

$$\text{plug in } C(1, \sqrt{3}) \Rightarrow \sqrt{3} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \cdot 1 + b$$

$$b = \sqrt{3} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$y = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}x + \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}}$$