

Full Solutions

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Question 1 (a)**Easiness: 95/100****SOLUTION.**

$$\begin{aligned}
\lim_{x \rightarrow -5} \frac{x^2 + 2x - 15}{2x + 10} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow -5} \frac{(x - 3)(x + 5)}{2(x + 5)} \\
&= \lim_{x \rightarrow -5} \frac{x - 3}{2} \\
&= \frac{(-5) - 3}{2} \\
&= -4
\end{aligned}$$

Question 1 (b)**Easiness: 90/100**

SOLUTION. Firstly, we are given that $2x - 3 \leq f(x) \leq x^2 - 4x + 6$ for all $x \in [-1, \infty)$. Since $3 \in [-1, \infty)$, the initial condition of the squeeze theorem is satisfied.

Now, since $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} 2x - 3 = 3$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} x^2 - 4x + 6 = 3$, we conclude by the squeeze theorem that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x) = 3$.

Question 1 (c)**Easiness: 85/100**

SOLUTION. Multiplying the numerator and denominator by $\sqrt{1 + 2x} + 1$ yields:

$$\begin{aligned}
\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x}{\sqrt{1 + 2x} - 1} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{1 + 2x} - 1} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{1 + 2x} + 1}{\sqrt{1 + 2x} + 1} \right) \\
&= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x(\sqrt{1 + 2x} + 1)}{(\sqrt{1 + 2x})^2 - 1^2} \\
&= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x(\sqrt{1 + 2x} + 1)}{(1 + 2x) - 1} \\
&= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{1 + 2x} + 1}{2} \\
&= \frac{\sqrt{1 + 2 \cdot 0} + 1}{2} \\
&= 1
\end{aligned}$$

Question 1 (d)**Easiness: 92/100**

SOLUTION. Since the bacterial culture grows at a rate proportional to its size, we can say that $\frac{dy}{dt} = ky$, where $y(t)$ is the number of bacteria at time t (in hours).

The solution to this differential equation is:

$$y(t) = y(0)e^{kt}$$

We are given that $y(0) = 50$ and $y(1) = 250$, so we can solve for k as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 y(1) &= y(0)e^{k \cdot 1} \\
 250 &= 50e^k \\
 5 &= e^k \\
 k &= \ln 5
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore y(t) &= 50e^{\ln(5)t} \\
 &= 50 \cdot 5^t
 \end{aligned}$$

Question 2 (a)

Easiness: 90/100

SOLUTION. Differentiating term-by-term, we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}
 y'(x) &= e^{\sin x} \cdot (\sin x)' + 1 \\
 &= e^{\sin x} \cos x + 1
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 y'(0) &= e^{\sin(0)} \cos(0) + 1 \\
 &= e^0 \cdot 1 + 1 \\
 &= 2
 \end{aligned}$$

The equation of the tangent line is therefore:

$$\begin{aligned}
 y &= 2(x - 0) + 1 \\
 &= 2x + 1
 \end{aligned}$$

Question 2 (b)

Easiness: 81/100

SOLUTION. First we take the natural logarithm of both sides:

$$y = (\ln x)^x \Leftrightarrow \ln y = \ln((\ln x)^x) \Leftrightarrow \ln y = x \cdot \ln(\ln x) \quad (\text{by the laws of logarithms}).$$

We then differentiate both sides with respect to x , using the product and chain rules as needed:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{d}{dx}(\ln y) &= \frac{d}{dx}(x \cdot \ln(\ln x)) \\
 \frac{1}{y} \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} &= 1 \cdot \ln(\ln x) + x \cdot \frac{1}{\ln x} \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(\ln x) \\
 \frac{dy}{dx} &= y \cdot \left(\ln(\ln x) + x \cdot \frac{1}{\ln x} \cdot \frac{1}{x} \right) \\
 \frac{dy}{dx} &= (\ln x)^x \left(\ln(\ln x) + \frac{1}{\ln x} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

Question 2 (c)**Easiness: 85/100**

SOLUTION. We first apply the product rule to differentiate $h(x)$:

$$\begin{aligned} h'(x) &= (f(x^2))' \cdot g(x) + f(x^2) \cdot g'(x) \\ &= f'(x^2) \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(x^2) \cdot g(x) + f(x^2) \cdot g'(x) \\ &= f'(x^2) \cdot 2x \cdot g(x) + f(x^2) \cdot g'(x) \end{aligned}$$

Now we evaluate $h'(-1)$:

$$\begin{aligned} h'(-1) &= f'((-1)^2) \cdot 2(-1) \cdot g(-1) + f((-1)^2) \cdot g'(-1) \\ &= -2 \cdot f'(1) \cdot g(-1) + f(1) \cdot g'(-1) \\ &= -2 \cdot (-2) \cdot 2 + (-1) \cdot 3 \\ &= 5 \end{aligned}$$

Question 3 (a)**Easiness: 92/100**

SOLUTION. Differentiating both sides implicitly with respect to x ,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx}(x^3 + xy) &= \frac{d}{dx}(5x - y^3) \\ \frac{d}{dx}(x^3) + \frac{d}{dx}(xy) &= \frac{d}{dx}(5x) - \frac{d}{dx}(y^3) \\ 3x^2 + 1 \cdot y + x \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(y) &= 5 - 3y^2 \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(y) \\ 3x^2 + y + x \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} &= 5 - 3y^2 \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} \end{aligned}$$

Solving for $\frac{dy}{dx}$ we find

$$\begin{aligned} x \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} + 3y^2 \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} &= 5 - 3x^2 - y \\ \frac{dy}{dx} \cdot (x + 3y^2) &= 5 - 3x^2 - y \\ \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{5 - 3x^2 - y}{x + 3y^2} \end{aligned}$$

Question 3 (b)**Easiness: 82/100**

SOLUTION. When the particle is moving in the *negative direction*, its velocity is *negative*. Therefore we must look for the t for which $\frac{ds}{dt} = f'(t) < 0$:

$$\begin{aligned} s &= t^3 - \frac{21}{2}t^2 + 30t \\ \frac{ds}{dt} &= 3t^2 - 21t + 30 \end{aligned}$$

Setting the derivative (i.e., the velocity function) equal to zero, we obtain $0 = 3t^2 - 21t + 30 = 3(t-2)(t-5)$. Hence the velocity is zero when $t = 2, 5$. Plugging in values tells us that $\frac{ds}{dt} = f'(t) < 0$ on the interval $t \in (2, 5)$, where t is in seconds as stated above.

Question 3 (c)

Easiness: 86/100

SOLUTION. We are concerned with the continuity of f only at $x = 1$, though we need not be concerned about whether $f(1)$ is defined or not, since its polynomial 'pieces' are defined on $(-\infty, \infty)$. It remains to find a c such that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x) = f(1)$.

- By the definition of $f(x)$ we have $f(1) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} cx^2 + 3 = c + 3$.
- Furthermore, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} 2x^3 - c = 2 - c$.

Hence we need to find a c such that $2 - c = c + 3$. It follows that the value c that makes $f(x)$ continuous on $(-\infty, \infty)$ is $c = -\frac{1}{2}$.

Question 4 (a)

Easiness: 80/100

SOLUTION. Newton's method is defined by $x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)}$, where x_n is the n -th approximation to a root of f .

We are given that $x_1 = -1$. Applying the equation above,

$$\begin{aligned} x_{1+1} &= x_1 - \frac{f(x_1)}{f'(x_1)} \\ x_2 &= -1 - \frac{f(-1)}{f'(-1)} \\ &= -1 - \frac{(-1)^7 + 4}{7(-1)^6} \\ &= -1 - \frac{-1 + 4}{7 \cdot 1} \\ &= -\frac{10}{7} \end{aligned}$$

Question 4 (b)

Easiness: 80/100

SOLUTION. Polynomial division shows us that $\frac{x^3+x^2}{x^2+1} = (x+1) + \frac{-x-1}{x^2+1}$. Therefore

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

Hence $y = x + 1$ is a slant asymptote of $f(x)$.

Question 4 (c)

Easiness: 80/100

SOLUTION. By definition of the Taylor polynomials,

$$\begin{aligned}T_2(x) &= \sum_{i=0}^2 \frac{f^{(i)}(a)}{i!} (x-a)^i \\&= \frac{f^{(0)}(a)}{0!} (x-a)^0 + \frac{f^{(1)}(a)}{1!} (x-a)^1 + \frac{f^{(2)}(a)}{2!} (x-a)^2 \\&= f(a) + f'(a)(x-a) + \frac{f''(a)}{2} (x-a)^2\end{aligned}$$

Computing the values of the derivatives of f at 1, we find that $f(1) = 4$, $f'(1) = 12$, $f''(1) = 24$. Therefore

$$\begin{aligned}T_2(x) &= f(a) + f'(a)(x-a) + \frac{f''(a)}{2} (x-a)^2 \\&= 4 + 12(x-1) + 12(x-1)^2 \\&= 12x^2 - 12x + 4\end{aligned}$$

Question 5

Easiness: 70/100

SOLUTION. The solution of the differential equation $\frac{dT}{dt} = k(T - T_s)$ is

$T - T_s = (T_0 - T_s)e^{kt}$, where T is the temperature of an object, T_s is the temperature of its surroundings, and k is some constant.

We are given that $T_s = 40$, $T_0 = 70$, $T(0.5) = 60$, where t is in hours. Thus we begin by solving for k :

$$\begin{aligned}T(t) - T_s &= (T_0 - T_s)e^{kt} \\60 - 40 &= (70 - 40)e^{k \cdot 0.5} \\e^{0.5k} &= \frac{2}{3} \\\frac{1}{2}k &= \ln \frac{2}{3} \\k &= \ln \frac{4}{9}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore T(t) &= 30e^{\ln(\frac{4}{9}) \cdot t} + 40 \\&= 30 \left(\frac{4}{9}\right)^t + 40\end{aligned}$$

Finally, solving for t when $T(t) = 50$ yields:

$$\begin{aligned}
50 &= 30 \left(\frac{4}{9} \right)^t + 40 \\
\frac{1}{3} &= \left(\frac{4}{9} \right)^t \\
\ln \frac{1}{3} &= t \ln \frac{4}{9} \\
t &= \frac{\ln \frac{1}{3}}{\ln \frac{4}{9}} = \frac{\ln 3}{\ln \frac{9}{4}} \text{ hours}
\end{aligned}$$

Question 6

Easiness: 67/100

SOLUTION 1. By the limit definition of the derivative of f at x ,

$$\begin{aligned}
f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{x+h}{2(x+h)+1} - \frac{x}{2x+1}}{h} \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x+h)(2x+1) - x(2(x+h)+1)}{h(2(x+h)+1)(2x+1)} \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(2x^2 + x + 2xh + h) - (2x^2 + 2xh + x)}{h(2(x+h)+1)(2x+1)} \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h}{h(2(x+h)+1)(2x+1)} \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{(2(x+h)+1)(2x+1)} \\
&= \frac{1}{(2(x+0)+1)(2x+1)} \\
&= \frac{1}{(2x+1)^2}
\end{aligned}$$

Use of the quotient rule confirms that this is indeed $f'(x)$:

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

SOLUTION 2. By the alternative limit definition of the derivative of f at a ,

$$\begin{aligned}f'(a) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} \\&= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{\frac{x}{2x+1} - \frac{a}{2a+1}}{x - a} \\&= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{\frac{x(2a+1) - a(2x+1)}{(2x+1)(2a+1)}}{x - a} \\&= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{\frac{(2ax+x) - (2ax+a)}{(2x+1)(2a+1)}}{x - a} \\&= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{\frac{x-a}{(2x+1)(2a+1)}}{x - a} \\&= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{1}{(2x+1)(2a+1)} \\&= \frac{1}{(2a+1)^2} \\f'(x) &= \frac{1}{(2x+1)^2}\end{aligned}$$

Use of the quotient rule confirms that this is indeed $f'(x)$:

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

Question 7

Easiness: 85/100

SOLUTION. If the distance between the spectator and the launchpad is x and the distance between the launchpad and the rocket is y , the distance z between the rocket and the spectator is $z = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$. We are given that $x = 4$ km and $y = 3$ km. Thus $z = 5$ km.

Note that since the distance between the spectator and the launchpad is not changing, $\frac{dx}{dt} = 0$ km/s. Differentiating both sides implicitly with respect to time t :

$$\begin{aligned}z^2 &= x^2 + y^2 \\2z \cdot \frac{dz}{dt} &= 2x \cdot \frac{dx}{dt} + 2y \cdot \frac{dy}{dt} \\\frac{dz}{dt} &= \frac{1}{z} \left(x \cdot \frac{dx}{dt} + y \cdot \frac{dy}{dt} \right) \\&= \frac{1}{5 \text{ km}} (4 \text{ km} \cdot 0 \text{ km/s} + 3 \text{ km} \cdot 0.7 \text{ km/s}) \\&= 0.42 \text{ km/s}\end{aligned}$$

Question 8 (a)

Easiness: 80/100

SOLUTION. By the definition of a **critical number**, we must find the x for which $f'(x) = 0$ or for which $f'(x)$ does not exist:

$$\begin{aligned}
f(x) &= 63x^{\frac{2}{7}} - 14x^{\frac{9}{7}} \\
f'(x) &= \frac{2}{7} \cdot 63x^{\frac{2}{7}-1} - \frac{9}{7} \cdot 14x^{\frac{9}{7}-1} \\
&= 18x^{-\frac{5}{7}} - 18x^{\frac{2}{7}} \\
&= 18x^{-\frac{5}{7}}(1-x)
\end{aligned}$$

Setting $f'(x) = 0$ and applying the zero product property:

$$\begin{aligned}
18x^{-\frac{5}{7}}(1-x) &= 0 \\
18x^{-\frac{5}{7}} &= 0, \quad 1-x = 0 \\
\frac{18}{x^{\frac{5}{7}}} &= 0, \quad 1-x = 0 \\
x &= 1
\end{aligned}$$

Note that $18x^{-\frac{5}{7}}$ is never equal to zero on the interval $(-\infty, \infty)$. However, $18x^{-\frac{5}{7}}$ is undefined at $x = 0$, so $f'(x)$ does not exist at $x = 0$.

Therefore the critical numbers of f are $x = 0, 1$.

Question 8 (b)

Easiness: 82/100

SOLUTION. Where $f'(x) > 0$, $f(x)$ is *increasing*; where $f'(x) < 0$, $f(x)$ is *decreasing*.

From part (a), we note that $f'(x)$ may change sign at its critical points $x = 0$ and $x = 1$. We can construct a sign table to organize our calculations:

	$(-\infty, 0)$	$(0, 1)$	$(1, \infty)$
$18x^{-\frac{5}{7}}$	-	+	+
$1-x$	+	+	-
$f'(x) = (18x^{-\frac{5}{7}})(1-x)$	-	+	-

From this table we observe that $f(x)$ is **increasing** on $x \in (0, 1)$ and **decreasing** on $x \in (-\infty, 0) \cup (1, \infty)$.

Question 8 (c)

Easiness: 80/100

SOLUTION. Where $f''(x) > 0$, $f(x)$ is *concave up*; where $f''(x) < 0$, $f(x)$ is *concave down*. From part (a), we know that

$$\begin{aligned}
f'(x) &= 18 \left(x^{-\frac{5}{7}} - x^{\frac{2}{7}} \right) \\
f''(x) &= 18 \left(-\frac{5}{7} \cdot x^{-\frac{5}{7}-1} - \frac{2}{7} \cdot x^{\frac{2}{7}-1} \right) \\
&= 18 \left(-\frac{5}{7} x^{-\frac{12}{7}} - \frac{2}{7} x^{-\frac{5}{7}} \right) \\
&= \frac{18}{7} x^{-\frac{12}{7}} (-5 - 2x)
\end{aligned}$$

Setting $f''(x) = 0$ and applying the zero product property:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{18}{7}x^{-\frac{12}{7}}(-5-2x) &= 0 \\
 \frac{18}{7}x^{-\frac{12}{7}} &= 0 & -5-2x &= 0 \\
 & & -5-2x &= 0 \\
 x &= -\frac{5}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Note that $\frac{18}{7}x^{-\frac{12}{7}}$ is never equal to zero on the interval $(-\infty, \infty)$. However, $\frac{18}{7}x^{-\frac{12}{7}}$ is undefined at $x = 0$, so $f''(x)$ does not exist at $x = 0$.

Therefore, we note that $f''(x)$ may change sign at $x = 0$ and $x = -\frac{5}{2}$. We can construct a sign table to organize our calculations:

	$(-\infty, -\frac{5}{2})$	$(-\frac{5}{2}, 0)$	$(0, \infty)$
$\frac{18}{7}x^{-\frac{12}{7}}$	+	+	+
$-5-2x$	+	-	-
$f''(x) = (\frac{18}{7}x^{-\frac{12}{7}})(-5-2x)$	+	-	-

From this table we observe that $f(x)$ is **concave up** on $x \in (-\infty, -\frac{5}{2})$ and **concave down** on $x \in (-\frac{5}{2}, 0) \cup (0, \infty)$.

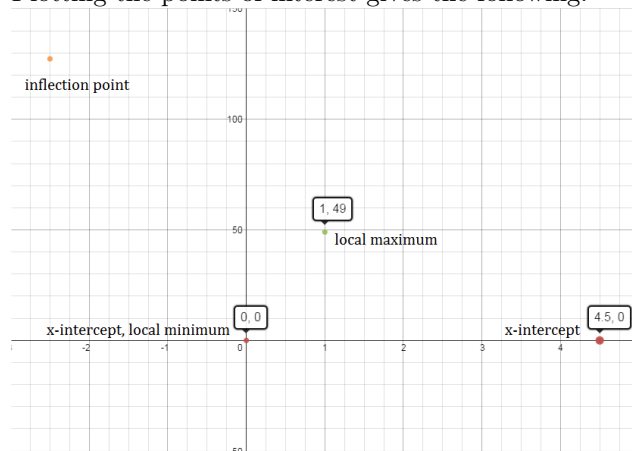
Question 8 (d)

Easiness: 85/100

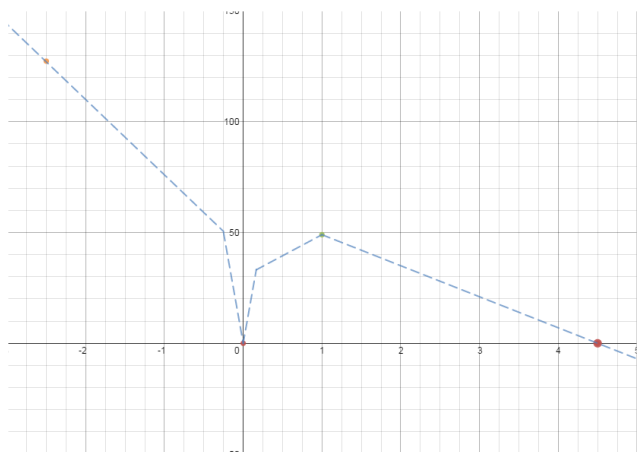
SOLUTION. From parts (a), (b), and (c) we know the following about $f(x) = 63x^{2/7} - 14x^{9/7}$:

- The **critical numbers** of f (where f' is zero or does not exist) are $x = 0, 1$
- f is **increasing** on $x \in (0, 1)$ and **decreasing** on $x \in (-\infty, 0) \cup (1, \infty)$
- f has a **local minimum** at $x = 0$ and a **local maximum** at $x = 1$ (note the change in the increase/decrease of f)
- f is **concave up** on $x \in (-\infty, -\frac{5}{2})$ and **concave down** on $x \in (-\frac{5}{2}, 0) \cup (0, \infty)$
- f has an **inflection point** (changes concavity) at $x = -\frac{5}{2}$
- $f(x) = x^{\frac{2}{7}}(63 - 14x)$ and thus f has x -intercepts at $x = 0, \frac{9}{2}$
- $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f'(x) = -\infty$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f'(x) = \infty$, thus the graph of f is very steep near $x = 0$

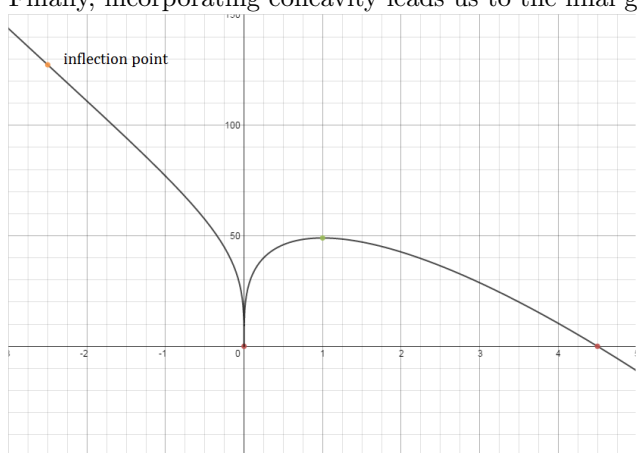
Plotting the points of interest gives the following:



Accounting for increase and decrease gives the following rough sketch:



Finally, incorporating concavity leads us to the final graph:



Question 9

Easiness: 85/100

SOLUTION. If the base of the rectangle measures $2b$, its area is $A(b) = 2b(8 - b^2) = 16b - 2b^3$. To maximize A , we find its critical points by finding A' :

$$A(b) = 16b - 2b^3$$

$$A'(b) = 16 - 6b^2$$

$$0 = 16 - 6b^2$$

$$6b^2 = 16$$

$$b = \pm\sqrt{\frac{8}{3}}$$

A simple inspection shows that $b = \sqrt{\frac{8}{3}}$ is a maximum point of A since A' changes sign from positive to negative at that point. The value of $A(b)$ at that b (i.e., the maximum area) is:

$$\begin{aligned}
 A\left(\sqrt{\frac{8}{3}}\right) &= 2\sqrt{\frac{8}{3}}\left(8 - \left(\sqrt{\frac{8}{3}}\right)^2\right) \\
 &= \frac{32}{3} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{8}{3}} = \frac{64\sqrt{2}}{3\sqrt{3}} = \frac{64\sqrt{6}}{9}
 \end{aligned}$$

Question 10 (a)

Easiness: 85/100

SOLUTION. The equation of the *first degree Maclaurin polynomial* for f is $T_1(x) = f(0) + f'(0) \cdot x$. For $f(x) = \ln(1 - x^2)$ we have $f(0) = \ln(1 - 0^2) = 0$. To find $f'(0)$, we differentiate $f(x)$ using the chain rule:

$$\begin{aligned}
 f'(x) &= \frac{1}{1 - x^2} \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(1 - x^2) \\
 &= \frac{-2x}{1 - x^2} \\
 f'(0) &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus the first degree Maclaurin polynomial for f is $T_1(x) = 0 + 0x = 0$.

Question 10 (b)

Easiness: 65/100

SOLUTION. To apply the Lagrange Remainder Formula, we first need to find an x such that $f(x) = \ln(1 - x^2) = \ln\left(\frac{8}{9}\right)$, that is, $1 - x^2 = \frac{8}{9} \Leftrightarrow x = \pm\frac{1}{3}$.

Since $\ln(1 - x^2)$ is an even function, we choose the positive root $x = \frac{1}{3}$ without loss of generality.

By Taylor's Remainder theorem (as applied to Maclaurin polynomials),

$$T_1(x) + \min\{R_1(x)\} \leq f(x) \leq T_1(x) + \max\{R_1(x)\}$$

where $\min\{R_1(x)\}$ and $\max\{R_1(x)\}$ denote the minimum and maximum values of $R_1(x)$ on the interval $[0, x]$, respectively.

Since we know that $T_1(x) = 0$ from part (a), we simply consider:

$$\min\{R_1(x)\} \leq \ln\left(\frac{8}{9}\right) \leq \max\{R_1(x)\}$$

We now calculate the upper and lower bounds of the error. To do so, we substitute $x = \frac{1}{3}$ into the Lagrange Remainder Formula:

$$R_1\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) = \frac{f''(c)}{2!} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 = \frac{f''(c)}{18}$$

for some c in the interval $[0, \frac{1}{3}]$. To find the error bounds, we maximize this function as a function of c . But observe that

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

is monotonically decreasing on the interval $[0, \frac{1}{3}]$ (the denominator is increasing while the numerator is decreasing (note the minus sign), so overall $f''(x)$ is decreasing). Hence the minimum and maximum values of the error are attained at $c = \frac{1}{3}$ and $c = 0$, respectively.

Plugging this in we obtain the required lower and upper bound for the error:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{f''(\frac{1}{3})}{18} &\leq \ln\left(\frac{8}{9}\right) \leq \frac{f''(0)}{18} \\ \frac{1}{18} \cdot \frac{-2((\frac{1}{3})^2 + 1)}{(1 - (\frac{1}{3})^2)^2} &\leq \ln\left(\frac{8}{9}\right) \leq \frac{1}{18} \cdot \frac{-2(0^2 + 1)}{(1 - 0^2)^2} \\ \frac{1}{18} \cdot \frac{-180}{64} &\leq \ln\left(\frac{8}{9}\right) \leq \frac{1}{18} \cdot -2 \\ -\frac{5}{32} &\leq \ln\left(\frac{8}{9}\right) \leq -\frac{1}{9} \end{aligned}$$

Question 11

Easiness: 52/100

SOLUTION. First we observe that 4^x and $3 \cos x$ are both continuous on \mathbb{R} . It follows that $f(x) = 4^x - 3 \cos x$ is also continuous on \mathbb{R} . Note that $f(x) = 0 \iff 4^x = 3 \cos x$. We must show that $f(x)$ has at most one zero.

Optional: Show that a zero *exists*.

Plugging in the values $f(0) = 4^0 - 3 \cos(0) = 1 - 3 = -2$ and $f(\frac{\pi}{2}) = 4^{\pi/2} - 3 \cos(\frac{\pi}{2}) = 4^{\pi/2}$ we see that $f(0) < 0 < f(\frac{\pi}{2})$. Thus by the Intermediate Value Theorem, $\exists c \in (0, \frac{\pi}{2}) : f(c) = 0$. In particular, this implies that this positive number c satisfies $4^c = 3 \cos c$.

Necessary: Show that the zero is *unique*.

If $f(x)$ is monotonically increasing (or monotonically decreasing) for all positive values, then $f(x)$ can only have one zero in the interval $(0, \infty)$. Hence we calculate

$$f'(x) = 4^x \ln 4 + 3 \sin x.$$

$f(x)$ is increasing where $f'(x) > 0$, i.e., where $4^x \ln 4 > -3 \sin x$. We consider the positive real numbers as follows:

Case I: $0 < x < \pi$. Since $4^x \ln 4 > 0$ and $-3 \sin x < 0$ on this interval, $4^x \ln 4 > -3 \sin x$ on the interval $(0, \pi)$.

Case II: $x \geq \pi$. Since $-3 \leq -3 \sin x \leq 3$ and $4^x \ln 4 \geq 4^\pi \ln 4 > 3 \ln e = 3$ on this interval, $4^x \ln 4 > -3 \sin x$ on the interval $[\pi, \infty)$.

It follows that $f'(x) > 0$ on the interval $(0, \infty)$ and that $f(x)$ is monotonically increasing on the interval $(0, \infty)$. We therefore conclude that if there exists a *positive* number c such that $4^c = 3 \cos c$, this number must be *unique*.

Good Luck for your exams!