

Full Solutions

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Question 1 (a)

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Factoring gives us $\frac{x^2-9}{3-x} = \frac{(x-3)(x+3)}{-(x-3)} = -(x+3)$ where the last equality comes from cancelling out the factors of $(x-3)$ from the numerator and denominator. Hence, we obtain

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x^2-9}{3-x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} -(x+3) = -6$$

Question 1 (b)

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Factoring gives us $\frac{\sqrt{x}-4}{x-16} = \frac{\sqrt{x}-4}{(\sqrt{x}-4)(\sqrt{x}+4)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}+4}$ where the last equality comes from cancelling out the factors of $(\sqrt{x}-4)$ from the numerator and denominator. Hence, we obtain

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 16} \frac{\sqrt{x}-4}{x-16} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 16} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}+4} = \frac{1}{8}$$

Question 1 (c)

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We note first that at $x = 2$, $f(2) = 3(2) = 6$. If $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x) = 6$, then f is continuous from the right at 2. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} x^2 - 2x = 2^2 - 2(2) = 0 \neq 6$ So $f(x)$ is not continuous from the right at $x = 2$.

Question 1 (d)

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$f'(x) = x^2 + 2x - 7$. The derivative of f at x is the slope of the tangent line at $(x, f(x))$. So we set $f'(x) = -8$ and solve the quadratic equation using the quadratic formula/ factoring. $x^2 + 2x - 7 = -8$ $x^2 + 2x + 1 = (x+1)(x+1)$ So the f has tangent line of slope -8 when $x = -1$. The point which we get is $(-1, f(-1)) = (-1, \frac{107*3+2}{3}) = (-1, \frac{323}{3})$, where $f(-1) = \frac{(-1)^3}{3} + (-1)^2 - 7(-1) + 100 = \frac{107*3+2}{3} = \frac{323}{3}$.

Question 1 (e)

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Note first that $h(4) = \frac{f(4)}{4-5} = -3$. Rewrite $h(x) = f(x)(x-5)^{-1}$ and take the derivative of h with respect to x using the product rule. $h'(x) = f'(x)(x-5)^{-1} + f(x)(-1)(x-5)^{-2}$ If you're more comfortable with the quotient rule:

$$\begin{aligned} h'(x) &= \frac{f'(x)(x-5) - f(x)(1)}{(x-5)^2} \\ &= \frac{f'(x)}{(x-5)} - \frac{f(x)}{(x-5)^2} \end{aligned}$$

Evaluating h' at $x = 4$ gives the slope of the tangent line at $x = 4$

$$h'(4) = f'(4)(4-5)^{-1} + f(4)(-1)(4-5)^{-2} = -2 - 3 = -5$$

We know that $(4, h(4))$ is a point on the tangent line of $h(x)$ at $x = 4$; so we obtain $y - h(4) = -5(x - 4)$
 $y = -5x + 20 + h(4) = -5x + 17$

Question 1 (f)

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Apply product rule to $y(x) = f(x)g(x)$ where $f(x) = e^{9x}$ and $g(x) = \cos x$. Note that $f'(x) = 9e^{9x}$ and $g'(x) = -\sin x$. We obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} y'(x) &= f'(x)g(x) + g'(x)f(x) \\ &= 9e^{9x} \cos x - e^{9x} \sin x \end{aligned}$$

and we are done.

Question 1 (g)

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If the position of an object is given by $s = f(t)$, then the acceleration is $a = f''(t)$, the second derivative of the position function. So, we determine what the acceleration function is. $a = f''(t) = (f'(t))' = (4t^3 - 2)' = 12t^2$ and evaluating the acceleration at $t = 2$, we obtain $f''(2) = 12(2)^2 = 12(4) = 48$.

Question 1 (h)

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By the chain rule, we get that $h'(x) = f'(g(x))g'(x)$. From the tangent line at $(4, 7)$ on the graph of g , we obtain that $g(4) = 7$ and $g'(4) = 3$, and likewise, from the tangent line at $(7, 9)$ on the graph of f , we obtain that $f'(7) = -2$. So, evaluating h' at $x = 4$ gives:

$$\begin{aligned} h'(4) &= f'(g(4))g'(4) \\ &= f'(7)g'(4) \\ &= (-2)(3) \\ &= -6 \end{aligned}$$

Question 1 (i)

SOLUTION. THIS QUESTION HAS NOT YET BEEN REVIEWED! THE SOLUTION BELOW MAY CONTAIN MISTAKES!

Given $y = x^{\ln x}$, take \ln of both sides and obtain:

$$\ln y = \ln(x^{\ln x}) = (\ln x)^2$$

Now we differentiate with respect to x and obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{y} \frac{dy}{dx} &= 2 \ln x \frac{1}{x} \\ \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{2}{x} (\ln x) y \\ &= \frac{2}{x} (\ln x) x^{\ln x}\end{aligned}$$

Question 1 (j)

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Since the annual interest rate is 5% compounded continuously, the model that we use is $P(t) = P_0 e^{0.05t}$, where $P(t)$ is the value of the investment after time t in years, and P_0 is the initial amount invested. We want to find $P'(t)$ when $P(t) = 500$. Take \ln of both sides in the model and then differentiate with respect to t :

$$\begin{aligned}\ln P(t) &= \ln P_0 + 0.05t \\ \frac{1}{P(t)} P'(t) &= 0.05 \\ P'(t) &= 0.05 P(t)\end{aligned}$$

When the investment is $P(t) = 500$, $P'(t) = 0.05(500) = 25$.

Question 1 (k)

SOLUTION 1. THIS QUESTION HAS NOT YET BEEN REVIEWED! THE SOLUTION BELOW MAY CONTAIN MISTAKES!

Assuming that $-\pi/2 < f(x) < \pi/2$, take \tan of both sides of f and obtain that $\tan f(x) = 5x$. Now $\tan f(0) = 0$ if and only if $f(0) = 0$ (assuming that $-\pi/2 < f(x) < \pi/2$). Now we take the derivative of $\tan f(x)$ with respect to x using Chain Rule and obtain

$$\sec^2 f(x) (f'(x)) = 5 \Rightarrow f'(0) = \frac{5}{\sec^2 f(0)} = \frac{5}{\sec^2(0)} = 5$$

and we are done.

SOLUTION 2. THIS QUESTION HAS NOT YET BEEN REVIEWED! THE SOLUTION BELOW MAY CONTAIN MISTAKES!

Here is an alternative method to solve the problem. Let us take \tan of both sides to yield

$$\tan f(x) = 5x.$$

Next, we take the derivative of both sides with respect to the variable x and obtain

$$\sec^2(f(x))f'(x) = 5 \Rightarrow f'(x) = \frac{5}{\sec^2(f(x))}$$

What we want to do now is express the right hand side, namely the $\sec^2(f(x))$ explicitly in terms of x . Recall that $\sec(f(x)) = \frac{1}{\cos(f(x))}$ and hence $f'(x) = 5 \cos^2(f(x))$. Recall that taking the cosine of a right angle triangle with angle $f(x)$ is taking the ratio of adjacent and hypotenuse. We know that $\tan(f(x)) = 5x$ and since $\tan(f(x)) = \frac{\sin(f(x))}{\cos(f(x))} = \frac{5x}{1}$, we obtain that $\sin(f(x)) = 5x$ and $\cos(f(x)) = 1$, implying that $\cos^2(f(x)) = 1^2 = 1$. Putting it all together, we obtain that $f'(x) = \frac{5}{\sec^2(f(x))} = 5 \cos^2(f(x)) = 5 \cdot 1 = 5 \Rightarrow f'(0) = 5$ and we are done.

Question 1 (l)

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$h(x)$ has a local extreme value at $x = 2$, if $h'(2) = 0$. Since f has a local extrema at $x = 2$, $f'(2) = 0$. First let us find $h'(x)$

$$h'(x) = f(x) + xf'(x) + 2$$

Substituting in $x = 2$ we obtain that $h'(2) = f(2) + 2f'(2) + 2 = 0 + 2(0) + 2 = 2 \neq 0$. Since $h'(2) \neq 0$, h does not have a local extrema at $x = 2$.

Question 1 (m)

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Given a function $f(x)$, the linearization of f at a point a is given by

$$L(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x - a).$$

Take $f(x) = \sin x$ and $a = 0$, we obtain that $L(x) = \sin(0) + \cos(0)(x - 0) = 0 + 1(x) = x$; then $|\sin 0.12 - 0.12| \approx |L(0.12) - 0.12| = 0.12 - 0.12 = 0$

Question 1 (n)

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The second order Taylor expansion of a function $f(x)$ at point a is given by

$$f_2(x) = f(a) + \frac{f'(a)}{1!}(x - a) + \frac{f''(a)}{2!}(x - a)^2$$

Here we take $f(x) = x^{2/3}$, and $a = 1$. Using the power rule, find the first and second derivatives of f :

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= x^{2/3} \Rightarrow f(1) = 1 \\ f'(x) &= \frac{2}{3}x^{-1/3} \Rightarrow f'(1) = \frac{2}{3} \\ f''(x) &= \frac{-2}{9}x^{-4/3} \Rightarrow f''(1) = \frac{-2}{9} \end{aligned}$$

Putting all the values into the second order Taylor expansion formula, we obtain

$$f_2(x) = 1 + \frac{2}{3}(x-1) - \frac{1}{9}(x-1)^2$$

Question 2

SOLUTION. THIS QUESTION HAS NOT YET BEEN REVIEWED! THE SOLUTION BELOW MAY CONTAIN MISTAKES!

Recall that given a function $f(x)$, the derivative of f at x is the following limit (if it exists)

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$$

We use this to evaluate the derivative of the given function:

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

Lastly, $f'(1) = \frac{2(1)}{(1^2+1)} = 1$.

Question 3 (a)

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Recall that the price elasticity of a product is given by $e(p, q) = \frac{dq}{dp} \frac{p}{q}$, where p and q , are price and demand respectively. We implicitly differentiate the given relation with respect to p

$$3p^2 + \frac{dq}{dp} + 3q^2 \frac{dq}{dp} = 0$$

$\frac{dq}{dp} = \frac{-3p^2}{1+3q^2}$ Substitute into the formula for elasticity and obtain

$$e(p, q) = \frac{-3p^2}{1+3q^2} \frac{p}{q} = \frac{-3p^3}{q+3q^3}$$

Question 3 (b)

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Substituting $q = 3$ in the relation given, we obtain that $p^3 = 38 - 3 - 3^3 = 35 - 27 = 8 \Rightarrow p = 2$. Next, we determine the value of q' when $p = 2, q = 3$. From the calculation in the above, we know that $q' = \frac{-3p^2}{1+3q^2}$, substituting $p = 2, q = 3$ yields

$$q' = \frac{-3}{7}.$$

Last, we check what the change in revenue is when $p = 2, q = 3$. Recall that $R = pq$ and hence, $R' = q + pq'$ using the product rule when differentiating with respect to price, p . Substituting $p = 2, q = 3, q' = \frac{-3}{7}$, we obtain that $R' = 3 + 2(\frac{-3}{7}) = 3 - \frac{6}{7} > 0$. Since $R' > 0$ when price $p = 2$, slightly raising the price will increase the revenue.

Question 3 (c)

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From the above we know that when $q = 3$, by the relation give, $p = 2$. Now, we take that above relation and differentiate it with respect to time

$$3p^2 \frac{dp}{dt} + \frac{dq}{dt} + 3q^2 \frac{dq}{dt} = 0$$

We know that $\frac{dp}{dt} = 7, p = 2, q = 3$. Substitute into the newfound relation and isolate for $\frac{dq}{dt}$

$$\frac{dq}{dt} = \frac{-3(2)^2(7)}{1 + 3(3)^2} = \frac{-84}{28} = -3$$

So the demand is decreasing at a rate of 3 units/month.

Question 4

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We know that if we sell x bus tour tickets, we sell $y = 100 - x$ train tour tickets. Let us now make the revenue function:

$$\begin{aligned} R &= x(30 - \frac{x}{4}) + y(70 - \frac{y}{2}) \\ &= x(30 - \frac{x}{4}) + (100 - x)(70 - \frac{100 - x}{2}) \\ &= 30x - \frac{x^2}{4} + 70(100 - x) - \frac{(100 - x)^2}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Taking the derivative of R with respect to x , we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}
 R'(x) &= 30 - \frac{x}{2} - 70 + (100 - x) \\
 &= 60 - \frac{3x}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

Now we want to maximize the revenue with respect to the number of bus tickets we sell; hence we let $R'(x) = 0$ and determine x . We obtain that $x = 40$. This means that if we sell 40 bus tour tickets and 60 train tour tickets, we maximize the revenue.

Question 5 (a)

SOLUTION. THIS QUESTION HAS NOT YET BEEN REVIEWED! THE SOLUTION BELOW MAY CONTAIN MISTAKES!

First, we determine $f'(x)$; rewrite $f(x) = e^x x^{-2}$ and use product rule on $h(x) = e^x, g(x) = x^{-2}$:

$$\begin{aligned}
 f'(x) &= h(x)g'(x) + h'(x)g(x) \\
 &= e^x x^{-2} - 2x^{-3}e^x \\
 &= \frac{e^x}{x^2} - \frac{2e^x}{x^3} \\
 &= \frac{e^x(x-2)}{x^3}
 \end{aligned}$$

The critical points of f are at x where $f'(x) = 0$ and at values x where $f'(x)$ does not exist. We observe that at $x = 0$, $f'(x)$ does not exist and hence, there is a vertical asymptote at $x = 0$. Let $f'(x) = 0$ and find x

$$0 = \frac{e^x(x-2)}{x^3}$$

Thus $e^x = 0$ or $(x-2) = 0$.

Since $e^x > 0$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$, we have that $x-2 = 0 \Rightarrow x = 2$. So the critical point of f occurs at $x = 2$.

Question 5 (b)

SOLUTION. THIS QUESTION HAS NOT YET BEEN REVIEWED! THE SOLUTION BELOW MAY CONTAIN MISTAKES!

Remark first that f does not exist at $x = 0$; hence, we have three intervals on which $f'(x)$ exists and is non-zero, namely $(-\infty, 0)$, $(0, 2)$, and $(2, \infty)$. We create a table with these intervals and the function that make up f' to determine when f' is positive or negative, hence when f is increasing or decreasing.

	$(-\infty, 0)$	$(0, 2)$	$(2, \infty)$
e^x	+	+	+
$(x-2)$	-	-	+
x^3	-	+	+
f'	+	-	+
f	increasing	decreasing	increasing

So f is increasing on the intervals $(-\infty, 0)$ and $(2, \infty)$ and decreasing on $(0, 2)$.

Question 5 (c)

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Recall from part *a* that $f'(x) = \frac{e^x(x-2)}{x^3}$. We take the derivative of f' with respect to x using the quotient rule. Let

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

By the quotient rule:

$$\begin{aligned} f''(x) &= \frac{g'(x)h(x) - g(x)h'(x)}{(h(x))^2} \\ &= \frac{e^x(x-1)x^3 - 3e^x(x-2)x^2}{x^6} \\ &= \frac{e^x x^2 (x(x-1) - 3(x-2))}{x^6} \\ &= \frac{e^x (x^2 - 4x + 6)}{x^4} \end{aligned}$$

Question 5 (d)

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Recall that when $f'' > 0$, f is concave up; likewise, when $f'' < 0$, f is concave down. So what we need to do is find the intervals on which f'' exists and is non-zero. From above, we know that $f''(x) = \frac{e^x(x^2-4x+6)}{x^4}$, and indeed, $f''(x) = 0$ if and only if $e^x = 0$ or $x^2 - 4x + 6 = 0$. Since $e^x > 0$ for all x , we have that $x^2 - 4x + 6 = 0$. Using the quadratic formula, we find that this quadratic equation has no real roots. Therefore, there is no x where $f''(x) = 0$. Now, we make a table as before for f' , noting that f'' does not exist at $x = 0$. This gives us two intervals, namely $(-\infty, 0)$ and $(0, \infty)$ where f'' is nonzero and defined:

	$(-\infty, 0)$	$(0, \infty)$
e^x	+	+
$x^2 - 4x + 6$	+	+
x^4	+	+
f''	+	+
f	Concave Up	Concave Up

So on both $(-\infty, 0)$ and $(0, \infty)$, f is concave up.

Question 5 (e)

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We have already determined what the vertical asymptote is in part *a*, by seeing where f is undefined. To see the behaviour of f as it approaches $x = 0$ from the right and left, we have the following calculations:

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{e^x}{x^2} &= \frac{\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} e^x}{\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x^2} = \infty\end{aligned}$$

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

where we obtain the last equality since the square of any negative number is a positive number. This happens when $x = 0$ so that is our vertical asymptote. To find the horizontal asymptote, we find $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x)$. Essentially, what we are determining is the behaviour of $f(x)$ as x gets very large and very small. We will apply L'Hopital's rule when finding the two limits.

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^x}{x^2} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^x}{2x} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^x}{x}\end{aligned}$$

Since $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^x}{x} = \infty$, we have that $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^x}{x^2} = \infty$ (the limit does not exist). So as x gets very large, $f(x)$ also gets very large and proceeds towards ∞ .

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

In the second limit calculation, we applied L'Hopital's rule twice. We learn from the second calculation that as x gets very small and speeds towards $-\infty$, $f(x)$ approaches 0.

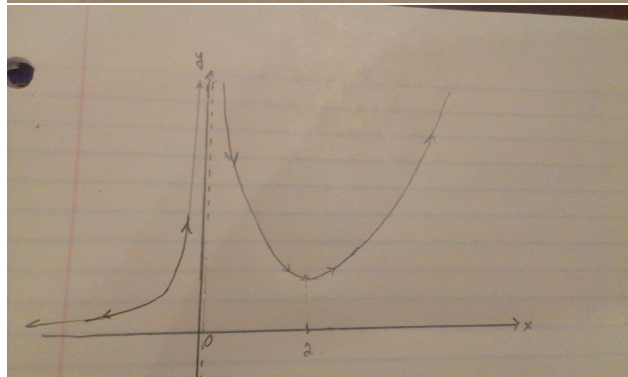
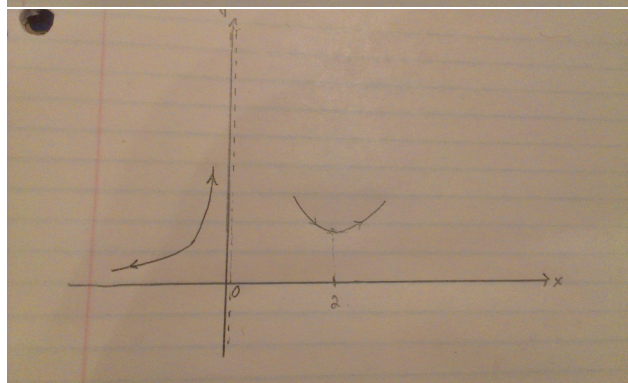
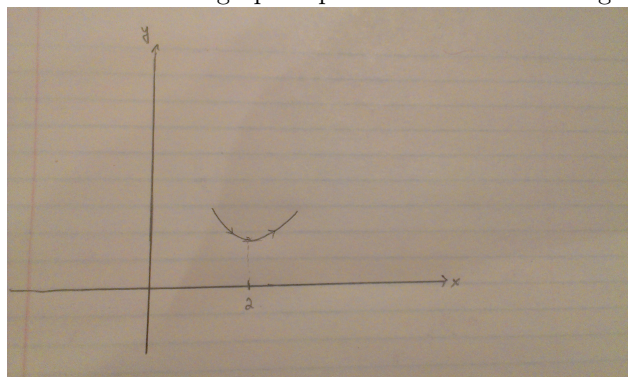
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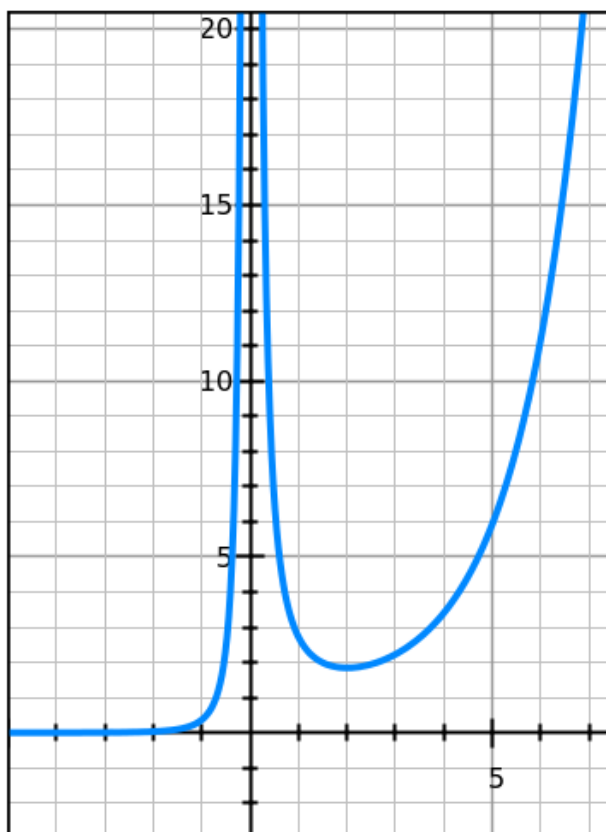
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We know from part *a* that the critical point of f occurs at $x = 2$; hence the graph of the function will change from decreasing to the left of $x = 2$ to increasing to the right of $x = 2$ (see first image below). Next, we know that in the interval to the left of the vertical asymptote at $x = 0$, the function is increasing. Moreover, in that interval, as x tends to $-\infty$, $f(x)$ tends to 0. From part *d*, we know that in this interval, the function is concave up (see second image below).

Next, we focus on the intervals to the right of the vertical asymptote. In the interval $(0, 2)$, we recall that the function is decreasing whilst in the interval $(2, \infty)$, the function is increasing (see third image below). From

part d , we know that it is concave up in $(0, \infty)$, and flies off to infinity as x tends to ∞ . Combining these facts we have the graph depicted in the fourth image below:





Question 6

SOLUTION. THIS QUESTION HAS NOT YET BEEN REVIEWED! THE SOLUTION BELOW MAY CONTAIN MISTAKES!

The necessary condition for f to have an inflection point is that there exists a c in $(0, \infty)$ so that $f''(c) = 0$. A sufficient condition for f to have an inflection point is that f changes signs at c .

First, let us turn the disgusting looking function $\log_{(x+1)^2}(x+1)^{2014}$ into something nicer, using the change of base of logarithms formula

$$\log_d(a) = \log_d(b) \log_b(a).$$

Take $d = e$, $b = (x+1)^2$, and $a = (x+1)^{2014}$. Substituting into the formula, we obtain that $\log_{(x+1)^2}(x+1)^{2014} = \frac{\ln(x+1)^{2014}}{\ln(x+1)^2} = \frac{2014 \ln(x+1)}{2 \ln(x+1)} = 1007$. Then $f(x) = \frac{x^4}{12} - \frac{4(3^{-x})}{(\ln 3)^2} + 1007$. Now we take the first and second derivatives of f . Recall that if $g(x) = 3^{-x}$, then $g'(x) = -3^{-x} \ln 3$. Taking the first derivative of f , we get

$$f'(x) = \frac{4x^3}{12} + \frac{4(3^{-x}) \ln 3}{(\ln 3)^2} = \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{4(3^{-x})}{(\ln 3)}$$

Now, we take the second derivative of f

$$f''(x) = x^2 - \frac{4(3^{-x}) \ln 3}{(\ln 3)} = x^2 - 4(3^{-x})$$

Remark next that $f''(x)$ is a continuous function of x on the interval $(0, \infty)$, since both x^2 and 3^{-x} are continuous functions of x on $(0, \infty)$. Now we want to show that there exists a $c \in (0, \infty)$ so that $f''(c) = 0$. Evaluate $f''(0)$

$$f''(0) = 0^2 - 4 = -4 < 0$$

Now evaluate $f''(2)$

$$f(2) = (2)^2 - 4(3^{-2}) = 2^2 - \frac{4}{9} > 0$$

Since $f''(x)$ is continuous on $(0, \infty)$, and $f''(0) < 0$ while $f''(2) > 0$, by the intermediate value theorem, there exists a point $c \in (0, 2)$ so that $f''(c) = 0$; as such there exists an $\epsilon > 0$ such that $f''(c + \epsilon)$ and $f''(c - \epsilon)$ have different signs. So indeed the given function f has an inflection point on $(0, \infty)$.

Good Luck for your exams!