

Full Solutions

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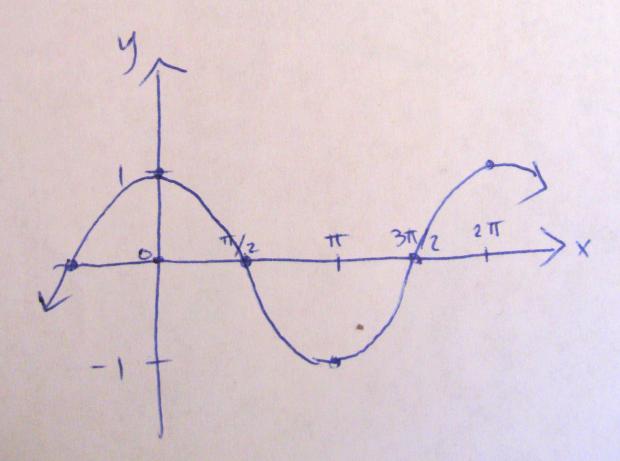
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Question 1 (a)

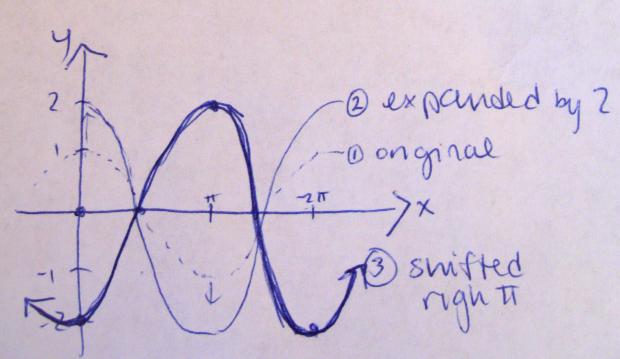
SOLUTION 1. The graph of $f(x) = \cos x$ looks like this:



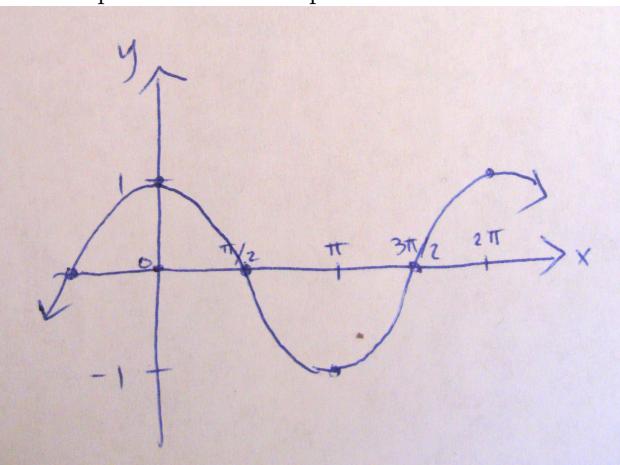
The rules for shifting functions tell us that

- Multiplying the function by 2 increases its amplitude (stretch the height of the graph) by 2,
- subtracting π on the inside of the function shifts the graph right by π units,

giving:



SOLUTION 2. If you've forgotten the rules used in the first solution (or never learned them), you can also use test points. From this picture:



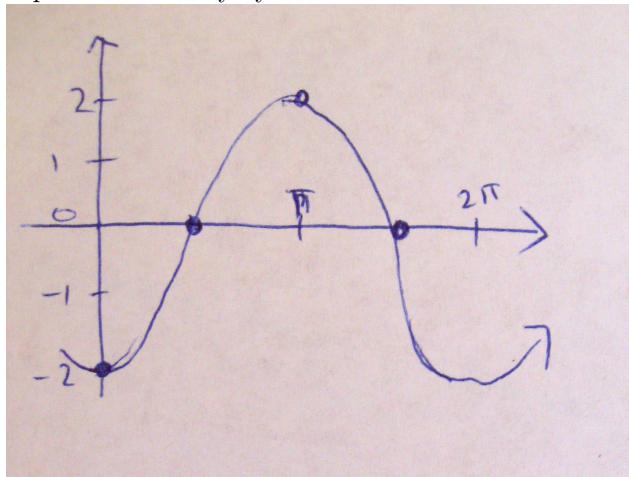
you have the following points, placed in a table of values:

x-value	y-value
0	1
$\pi/2$	0
π	-1
$3\pi/2$	0

Plugging these same x-values into $f(x) = 2 \cos(x - \pi)$ gives:

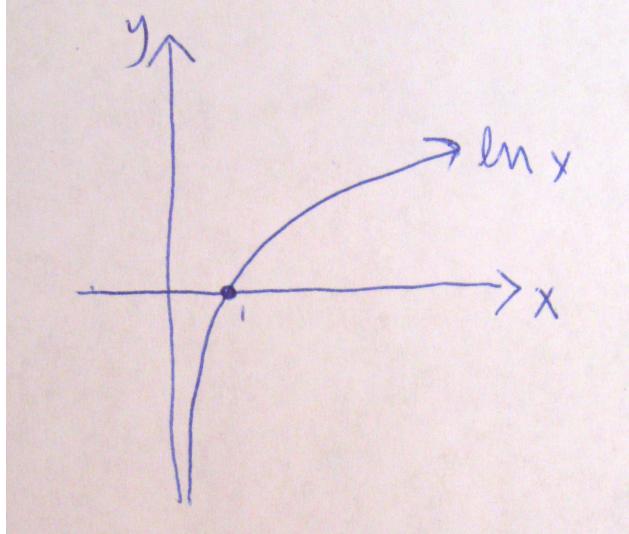
x-value	calculations	y-value
0	$2 \cos(0 - \pi) = 2 \cos(-\pi) = 2(-1)$	-2
$\pi/2$	$2 \cos(\pi/2 - \pi) = 2 \cos(-\pi/2) = 2(0)$	0
π	$2 \cos(\pi - \pi) = 2 \cos(0) = 2(1)$	2
$3\pi/2$	$2 \cos(3\pi/2 - \pi) = 2 \cos(\pi/2) = 2(0)$	0

Drawing a picture based on these points, it should be clear that the graph has been shifted right by π and expanded vertically by 2.



Question 1 (b)

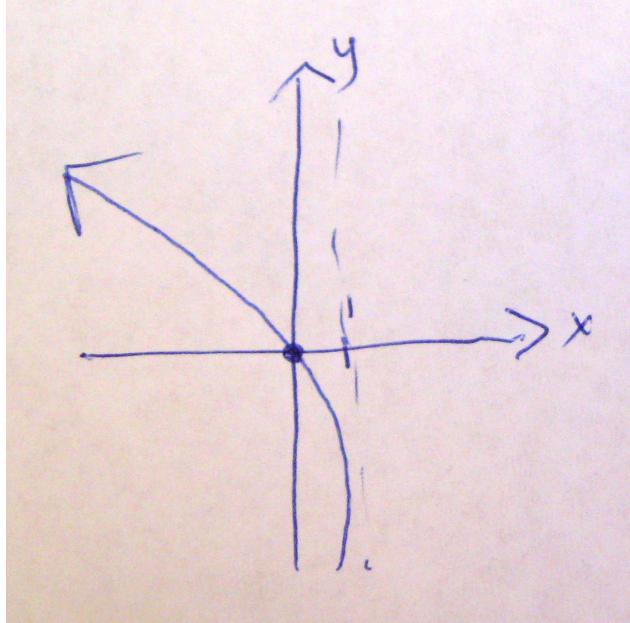
SOLUTION 1. The graph of $g(x) = \ln x$ looks like this:



Using function rules for the graph of $g(x) = \ln(1 - x)$

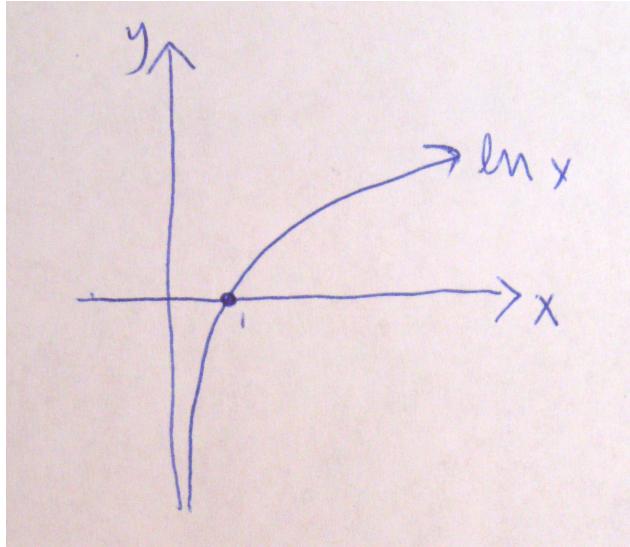
- the negative in front of the x means the graph has been reflected over the y -axis and
- $(1-x)$ inside the function means that it is shifted right 1

giving:



SOLUTION 2. If you've forgotten the rules used in the first solution (or never learned them), you can also facts about the domain of $\ln(x)$ to determine where the graph should go.

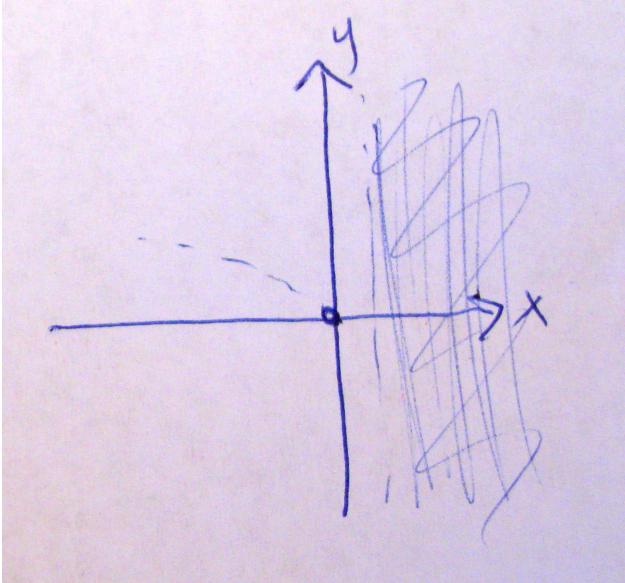
The domain of the function $f(x) = \ln(x)$ is $x > 0$ which can be seen in the graph below.



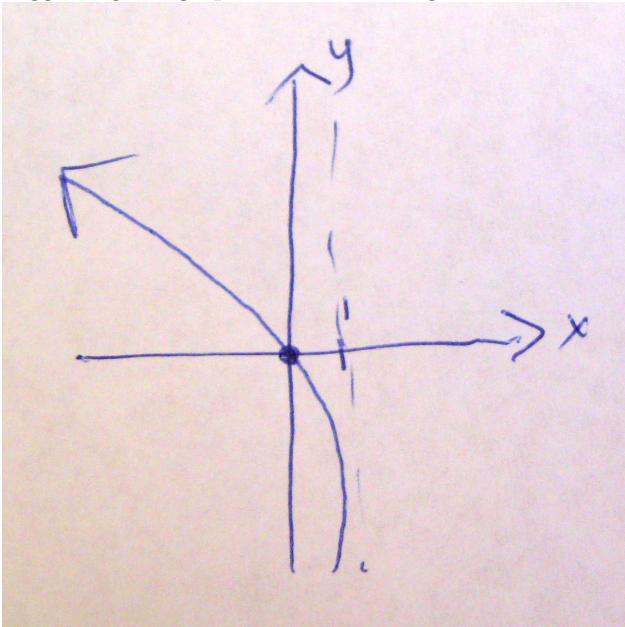
The graph of $g(x) = \ln(1 - x)$ will have a similar shape, but has a different domain. Let's test some values to see where the domain of this function is.

x-value		y-value
-2	$\ln(1 - (-2)) = \ln(3)$	$\ln(3)$
-1	$\ln(1 - (-2)) = \ln(2)$	$\ln(2)$
0	$\ln(1 - 0) = \ln(1)$	0
1	$\ln(1 - 1) = \ln(0)$	undefined
2	$\ln(1 - 2) = \ln(-1)$	undefined

So clearly this function is defined on the domain $x < 1$,



suggesting the graph looks something like this:



Question 2 (a)

SOLUTION. One common function where $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$ doesn't exist is the rational function $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$. The same is true for its negative, $g(x) = -\frac{1}{x}$. Both have a limit of ∞ or $-\infty$ at 0.

However, when these two functions are added together, we get:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{x} + \left(-\frac{1}{x}\right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} 0 = 0$$

Which is a perfectly satisfactory limit. Thus, these two functions are a counterexample to this statement, proving it false.

To see an interactive illustration of this solution, see [this page](#).

Question 2 (b)

SOLUTION. As suggested in the hint, we will simplify the limit on the left hand side of the equal sign. If we just plug in 2 we get 0/0, so we will have to do some simplifying. Because the numerator and denominator are polynomials, factoring is a good first step.

The denominator is a difference of squares, so we can write:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x-2}{4-x^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{2-x}{(2-x)(2+x)}$$

Cancelling the common terms, and then plugging in the 2 gives:

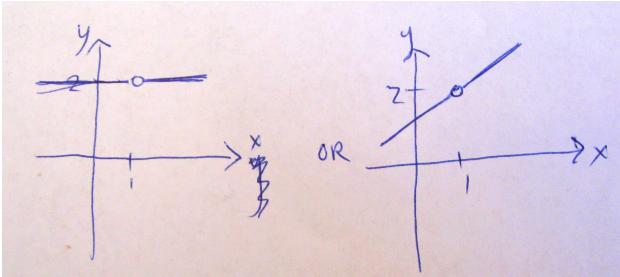
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{1}{2+x} = \frac{1}{2+2} = \frac{1}{4}$$

Which matches the right hand side of the original equation. Thus the statement is true.

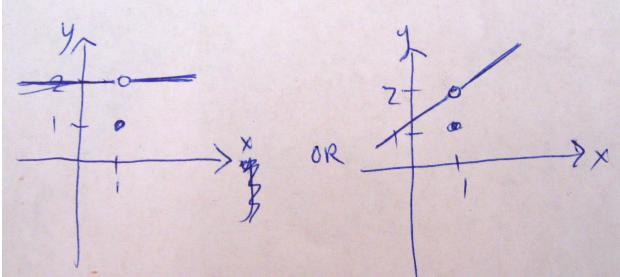
Question 2 (c)

SOLUTION. Remember that a limit describes the y-values of a graph **around**, but not **at** the x-value, whereas $f(x)$ gives the y-value of a graph **at** x .

So drawing a picture where $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x)$ (y-values are equal to 2 near $x = 1$) could look like this:



But, $f(1)$, the y-value at $x = 1$, could be equal to something else, like 1:

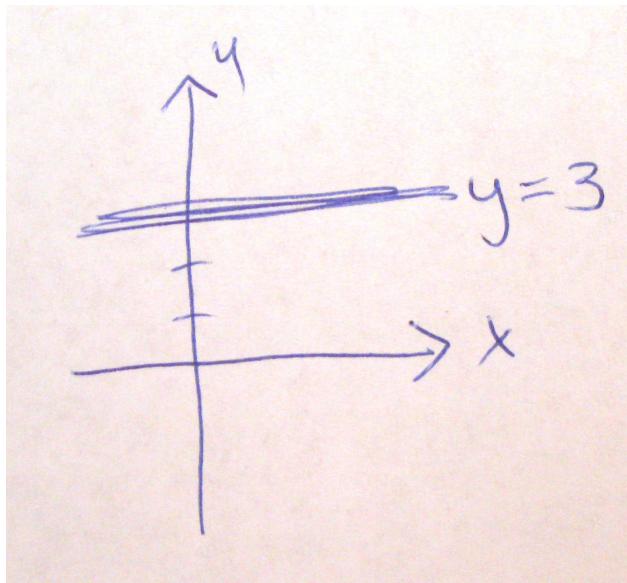


Because the conclusion of the statement is not necessarily true, the statement is false.

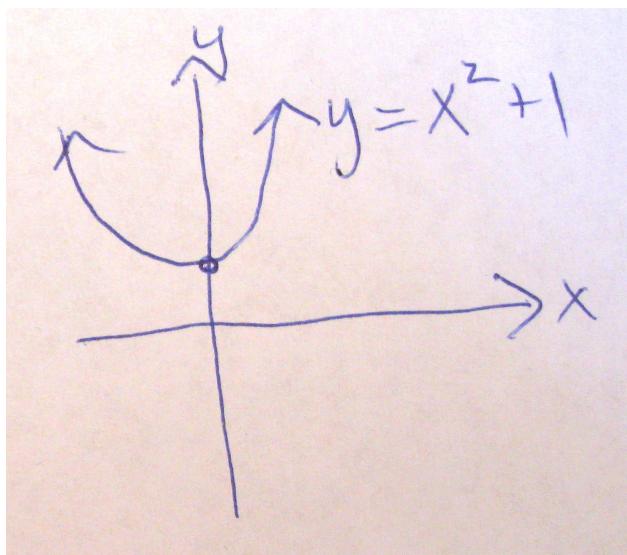
Question 2 (d)

SOLUTION. Polynomials are functions like lines, parabolas, cubics, etc. The best examples to consider are horizontal lines and parabolas.

- No horizontal line crosses the x -axis.



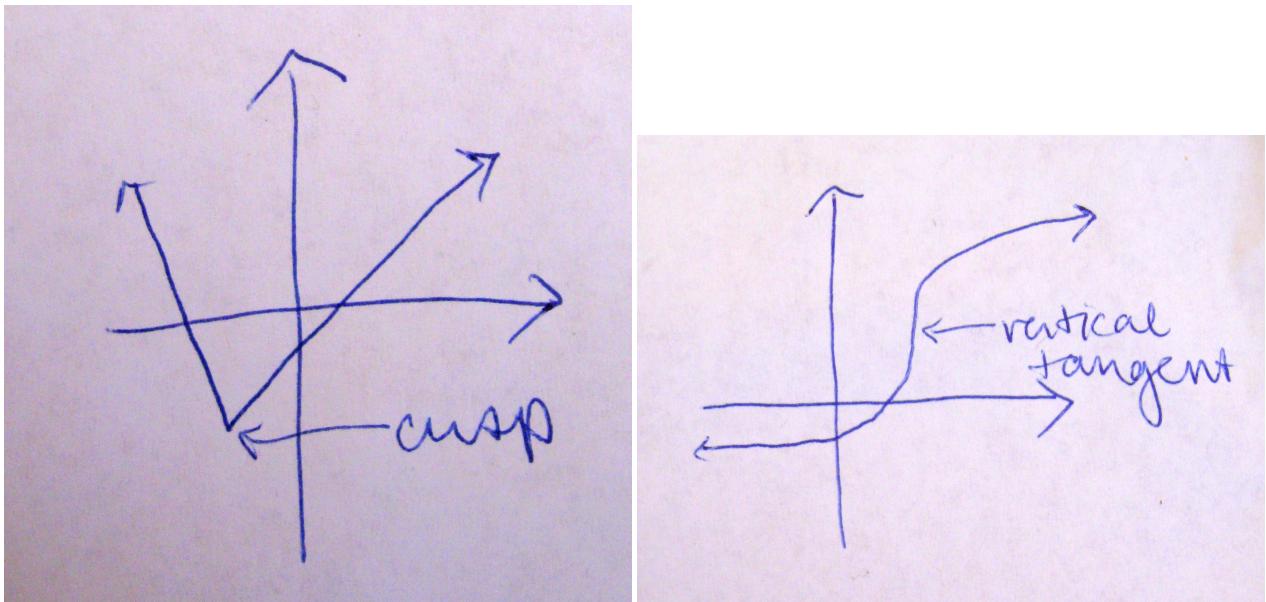
- The graph of a parabola can be shifted so that it doesn't cross the x -axis.



Either of these would be a counter-example, so the statement is false.

Question 2 (e)

SOLUTION. A function is non-differentiable if it has a vertical tangent or a sharp corner (cusp). A function is continuous if it can be drawn in one go without lifting your pencil. It is possible to draw a continuous function with one (or multiple!) of the non-differentiable properties just listed:



So a function can be continuous, without necessarily being differentiable. Thus the statement is false.

Question 2 (f)

SOLUTION. Horizontal tangent lines occur when the derivative equals zero. The derivative of y is $y' = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$. However, this derivative is never zero, because for all positive values of x (the domain of the derivative), y' will be a positive number, not zero. Thus $y = \sqrt{x}$ has no horizontal tangent lines, so the statement is true.

Question 3 (a)

SOLUTION. We apply the product rule to $f(x)$ to get:

$$f'(x) = g'(x) * x^{1/2} + g(x) * (1/2)(x^{-1/2})$$

Now we simply evaluate at $x = 9$, using the other information given in the problem to fill in $g(9)$ and $g'(9)$. Recall also that $x^{1/2} = \sqrt{x}$.

$$\begin{aligned} f'(9) &= g'(9) * (9)^{1/2} + g(9) * (1/2)(9^{-1/2}) \\ &= 4 * 3 + 2 * (1/2)(1/3) \\ &= 12 + 1/3 \end{aligned}$$

So the value of $f'(9)$ is $37/3$.

Question 3 (b)

SOLUTION. You could use the quotient rule on each term of this function, but it will be easier to re-write it as follows:

$$f(x) = a + bx^{-1} + cx^{-2} + dx^{-3}$$

Remembering that a, b, c and d are constants, we can simply use the power rule, which gives:

$$f'(x) = b(-x^{-2}) + c(-2x^{-3}) + d(-3x^{-4})$$

You can leave the answer like this. If you wanted to simplify, it would be written:

$$f'(x) = \frac{-b}{x^2} + \frac{-2c}{x^3} + \frac{-3d}{x^4}$$

Question 3 (c)

SOLUTION. To begin calculating this derivative, apply the quotient rule. So

$$f'(x) = \frac{(e^{3x})' * (3x) - e^{3x} * (3x)'}{(3x)^2}$$

The derivative of $3x$ is simple to calculate, but in order to calculate $(e^{3x})'$ we will need to use the chain rule as follows:

$$(e^{3x})' = e^{3x} * (3x)' = e^{3x} * 3$$

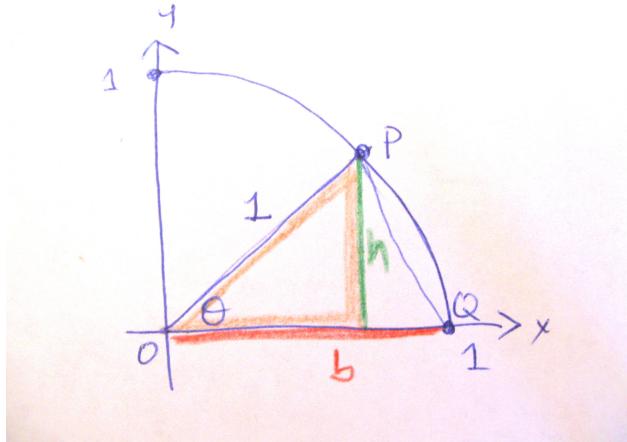
Plugging this back into the quotient rule, we get:

$$f'(x) = \frac{(e^{3x} * 3) * (3x) - e^{3x} * (3)}{(3x)^2}$$

You can leave this answer as is.

Question 3 (d)

SOLUTION. First we need to find a formula for $f(\theta)$, the area of the triangle. The area of a triangle is $(b)(h)/2$. See the labeled picture below:



The base of the triangle is a radius of the circle, which is equal to 1. We can find the height by a trig ratio. Using the blue right triangle, we can see that $\sin \theta = h/1$. So $h = \sin \theta$. Plugging these into our area formula, we get:

$$f(\theta) = (1)(\sin \theta)/2 = (\sin \theta)/2$$

It is now easy to find the derivative,

$$f'(\theta) = (\cos \theta)/2$$

completing the question.

Question 4

SOLUTION. As suggested by the hint, we will solve for zero on one side of the equation, giving:

$$-x^3 + x^2 + 2x - \ln(x) - 1 = 0$$

We now need to show that there is a number c in the interval $(1,2)$ that makes the left side equal to zero. This should remind you of the Intermediate Value Theorem (IVT). The statement of the IVT says

If $f(x)$ is continuous on $[a,b]$ and for some number L , $f(a) < L < f(b)$, then there exists c in (a,b) such that $f(c) = L$." In our scenario, the left side of the equation is $f(x)$, $a = 1$, $b = 2$, and "L = 0".

In order to use the IVT, we need to check that the function is continuous on the interval $[1,2]$. As each term of the function is continuous on the interval, the whole function is also continuous on the interval.

Now we compute $f(1)$ and $f(2)$.

$$f(1) = -1 + 1 + 2 - \ln(1) - 1 = 1 > 0$$

$$f(2) = -8 + 4 + 4 - \ln(2) - 1 < 0$$

Because $f(1) < 0 < f(2)$, we can now use the IVT to conclude that there exists a number c in the interval $(1, 2)$ such that $f(c) = 0$.

Question 5

SOLUTION. Using the limit definition of the derivative we have

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\left(1 + \frac{1}{(x+h)^2}\right) - \left(1 + \frac{1}{x^2}\right)}{h}$$

To simplify, we cancel the ones in the numerator, find a common denominator for the fractions, and simplify:

$$\begin{aligned} &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{x^2}{(x^2)(x+h)^2} - \frac{(x+h)^2}{x^2(x+h)^2}}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{x^2}{(x^2)(x+h)^2} - \frac{x^2 + 2xh + h^2}{x^2(x+h)^2}}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{-2xh - h^2}{(x^2)(x+h)^2}}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h(-2x - h)}{h(x^2)(x + h)^2} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(-2x - h)}{(x^2)(x + h)^2} \\ &= \frac{-2x}{x^4} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } f'(x) = \frac{-2}{x^3}$$

Question 6

SOLUTION. In order for $f(x)$ to be differentiable, the derivative at any point must be equal from both the left and right. Since $f(x)$ is clearly differentiable at all points in $(-\infty, \infty)$ other than $x = 1$, our point of interest is $x = 1$.

The derivative of $f(x)$ at $x = 1$ from the left will be

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

$$\text{which when evaluated at } x = 1 \text{ gives } \frac{1}{2\sqrt{1/4}} = 1$$

The derivative of $f(x)$ at $x = 1$ from the right will be

$$(ax + b)' = a$$

To be differentiable, these must be equal, so

$$a = 1$$

This gives us the value for a . Now we also know that in order for the function to be differentiable, it must also be continuous. In particular, this means both the right and left hand limits at $x = 1$ must be equal. So we have:

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x) \\ \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \sqrt{x - \frac{3}{4}} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} 1x + b \\ \sqrt{1/4} &= 1 + b \\ \frac{-1}{2} &= b\end{aligned}$$

So $f(x)$ will be differentiable when $a = 1$ and $b = -1/2$

Question 7 (a)

SOLUTION. The equation $f(x) = 0$ can be written as

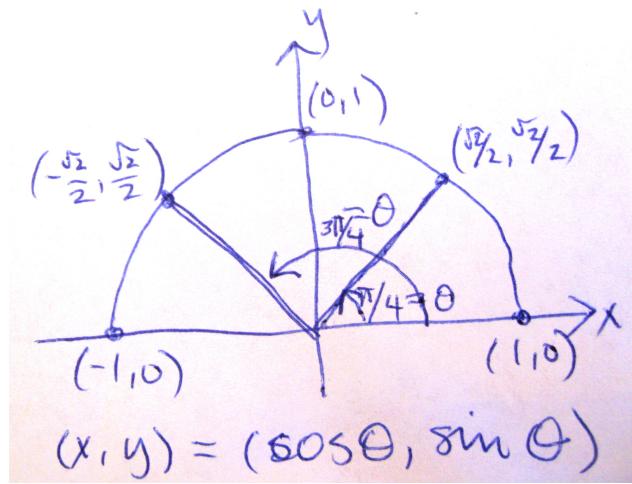
$$\sin x - \cos x = 0$$

or

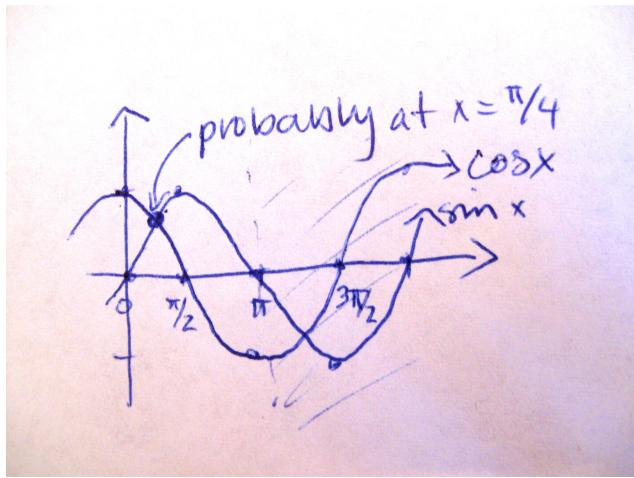
$$\sin x = \cos x$$

Now it remains to find where $\sin x$ is equal to $\cos x$ in the interval $[0, \pi]$. There are multiple ways to do this.

Unit Circle The coordinates of points on the unit circle are given by $\sin \theta$ and $\cos \theta$, so finding where $\sin \theta = \cos \theta$ is the same as finding where the x and y coordinates of a point on the unit circle are the same. This occurs when the angle is equal to $\pi/4$ radians.

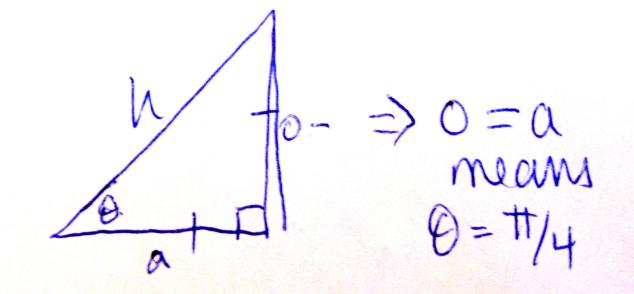


Drawing the graph If you draw the graphs of $\sin x$ and $\cos x$ very carefully, you can make an educated guess about where the two functions are equal. However, this method will never be as accurate as knowing key values of $\sin x$ and $\cos x$ from the unit circle.



Trig ratios One last method is writing out $\sin x$ and $\cos x$ as trig ratios, where, given a right triangle with angle x , $\sin x = o/h$ and $\cos x = a/h$. Setting this equal gives:

$o/h = a/h$, or $o = a$. The opposite and adjacent sides of a right triangle are equal when the right triangle is isosceles, meaning each angle is 45 degrees or $x = \pi/4$.



Question 7 (b)

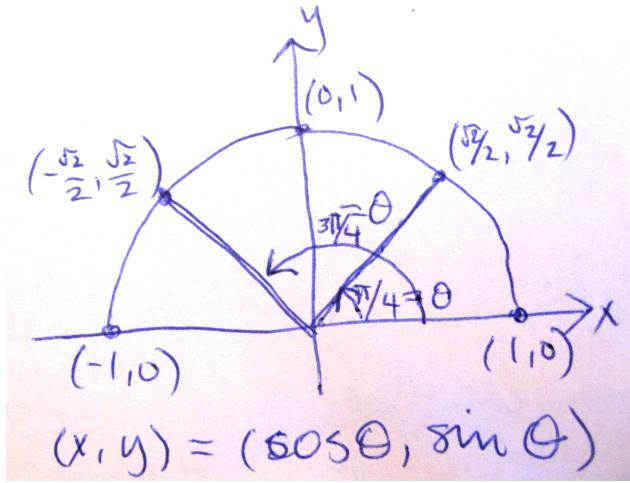
SOLUTION. This question is similar to the previous one, except we are using the derivative:

$$f'(x) = \cos x - (-\sin x) = \cos x + \sin x$$

Setting this equal to zero and moving a term over gives

$$\sin x = -\cos x \text{ (or } \cos x = -\sin x)$$

This means that $\sin x$ and $\cos x$ must have equal values but opposite signs. On the unit circle, $\cos \theta$ corresponds to x-values and $\sin \theta$ corresponds to y-values, so the opposite signs place us in quadrant II of the coordinate plane (the restriction of $[0, \pi]$ rules out quadrant IV). The angle where the values of $\sin \theta$ and $\cos \theta$ are equal in this quadrant is $3\pi/4$, so $x = 3\pi/4$.



Question 8

SOLUTION. Consider a point $P=(a,b)$ on the curve where $b=y(a)$. The tangent line through this point will go through (a,b) and have slope $y'(a)$ where y' is the derivative. Therefore the tangent line $L(x)$ will satisfy

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

We know that $y=1/x$ and so

$$y(a) = \frac{1}{a}.$$

Next we calculate the derivative:

$$y' = -\frac{1}{x^2}$$

and plugging in the point $x=a$ we get

$$y'(a) = -\frac{1}{a^2}.$$

Up to this point we have enough information to compute the tangent line for any point $x=a$ on the curve. However, we are looking for the two points where the slope is parallel (therefore equal) to -100, the slope of the line given in the question. This gives the equation:

$$-\frac{1}{a^2} = -100$$

Solving for a , we get

$$a = \pm \frac{1}{10}.$$

Therefore, we need to find the equation of the tangent line where $a = -1/10$ and $a = 1/10$.

- When $a = -1/10$,

$$y(a) = y(-1/10) = \frac{1}{-1/10} = -10$$

and the slope is $m = -100$ (because the lines are parallel). Therefore, the equation of the tangent line is

$$L(x) = -100(x - (-1/10)) + (-10)$$

This is a sufficient answer, but if you simplify to $y=mx + b$ form, you find instead that $L(x) = -100x - 20$.

- When $a = 1/10$,

$$y(a) = y(-1/10) = \frac{1}{1/10} = 10,$$

with slope $m = -100$. Therefore, the equation of the tangent line is

$$L(x) = -100(x - 1/10) + 10.$$

This is a sufficient answer, but if you simplify to $y=mx + b$ form, you find $L(x) = -100x + 20$

Question 9 (a)

SOLUTION. The second fact that must be proven is:

Let k be an integer. If the claim is true for $n = k$ (that is, $2^1 + 2^2 + \dots + 2^k = 2^{k+1} - 1$), then the statement must be true for $n = k + 1$ (meaning $2^1 + 2^2 + \dots + 2^k + 2^{k+1} = 2^{k+2} - 1$).

This fact basically states that if the claim holds for some integer, it is also true for the consecutive integer.

Question 9 (b)

SOLUTION. We start with Fact 1 - we know that the claim is true for $n = 1$. Then, using Fact 2, since the claim is true for $n = 1$, we can say that it is also true for the next integer, $n = 2$. We can then use Fact 2 again; since we just said the claim is true for $n = 2$, it is also true for the next integer, $n = 3$. We can continue this process until we get to $n = 6$, which is the value of n shown in the statement of the question. (Note that you can prove the above statement is true simply by doing the calculations - but this does not use the inductive reasoning steps described in part a).

Question 9 (c)

SOLUTION. As suggested in the hint, we can assume “For $n = k$, $2^1 + 2^2 + \dots + 2^k = 2^{k+1} - 1$.” (**Equation 1**)

We want to then prove that this claim also holds for $n = k + 1$, meaning that we eventually want to show that

$$2^1 + 2^2 + \dots + 2^{k+1} = 2^{k+2} - 1 \quad (\textbf{Equation 2})$$

using the previous statement (1) as our starting point. So let's start with this equation:

$$2^1 + 2^2 + \dots + 2^k = 2^{k+1} - 1.$$

And in an attempt to reach equation (2), we add 2^{k+1} to both sides.

$$2^1 + 2^2 + \cdots + 2^k + 2^{k+1} = 2^{k+1} - 1 + 2^{k+1}.$$

Now the left side of the equation matches (2), but what about the right hand side? Let us combine the terms to see that

$$\begin{aligned} 2^1 + 2^2 + \cdots + 2^k + 2^{k+1} &= 2^{k+1} + 2^{k+1} - 1 \\ &= 2(2^{k+1}) - 1 \\ &= 2^{k+1+1} - 1 \\ &= 2^{k+2} - 1 \end{aligned}$$

This is exactly the equation what we were trying to show. Hence we have proved that if the claim holds for $n = k$, it also holds for $n = k + 1$, proving Fact 2.

Question 10

SOLUTION. The question is asking about change in area, so we will start with the formula for area of a circle

$$A = \pi r^2.$$

Because the question involves rates, we will be implicitly differentiating with respect to time. This gives:

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = \pi(2r)\frac{dr}{dt}$$

Where dA/dt is the rate at which the area of the circle is changing, and dr/dt the rate at which the radius is changing. Plugging in the information from the statement of the question, we have:

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = \pi(2 * 100)(900) = 180,000\pi$$

Thus, the rate at which the area of the circle is increasing is $180,000\pi$ km/h.

Good Luck for your exams!