

Homework Set 4

Application of Differentiation

1. Compute the following limit by using L'Hospital's rule.

$$4.1 \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{8^x - 2^x}{4x}$$

$$4.2 \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\ln x)^2}{x}$$

$$4.3 \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (e^x + 3x)^{\frac{2}{x}}$$

$$4.4 \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \left(\frac{2x}{x^2 - 1} - \frac{1}{x - 1} \right)$$

$$4.5 \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}} (2x - 1) \tan \pi x$$

$$4.6 \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan 3x}{2x^2 + 5x}$$

$$4.1) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{8^x - 2^x}{4x} \quad IF = \frac{8^0 - 2^0}{4(0)} = \frac{0}{0}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{d}{dx} (8^x - 2^x)}{\frac{d}{dx} 4x}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{d}{dx} 2^{3x} - 2^x}{4}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{3}{\ln 2} 2^{3x} - \frac{1}{\ln 2} 2^x}{4}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{3 \cdot 2^{3x} - 2^x}{4 \ln 2}$$

$$= \frac{3 \cdot 2^0 - 2^0}{4 \ln 2}$$

$$= \frac{3 - 1}{4 \ln 2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2 \ln 2}$$

$$4.2) \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\ln x)^2}{x} \quad IF = \frac{\infty}{\infty}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{d}{dx} (\ln x)^2}{\frac{d}{dx} (x)}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{2}{x} \ln x}{1}$$

$$= \frac{2}{\infty} \cdot \infty$$

$$= 2 \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{d}{dx} (\ln x)}{\frac{d}{dx} (x)}$$

$$= 2 \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{x}}{1}$$

$$= 2 \cdot \frac{1}{\infty}$$

$$= 0$$

$$4.3) \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (e^x + 3x)^{\frac{2}{x}} \quad \text{If} = \infty^0$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} e^{\ln(e^x + 3x)^{\frac{2}{x}}}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} e^{\frac{2 \ln(e^x + 3x)}{x}}$$

$$= e^2 \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{\ln(e^x + 3x)}{x} \right)$$

$$= e^2 \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{e^x + 3}{e^x + 3x} \right)$$

$$= e^2 \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{e^x}{e^x + 3} \right)$$

$$= e^2 \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{e^x}{e^x} \right)$$

$$= e^{2 \cdot 1}$$

$$= e^2$$

$$4.4) \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \left(\frac{2x}{x^2 - 1} - \frac{1}{x - 1} \right) \quad \text{If} = \infty - \infty$$

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

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \left(\frac{x - 1}{x^2 - 1} \right)$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \left(\frac{1}{2x} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2 \cdot 1}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}$$

$$4.5) \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}} (2x-1) \tan \pi x \quad \text{IF} = 0 \cdot \infty$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}} (2x-1) \frac{\sin \pi x}{\cos \pi x} = \frac{0}{0}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}} \frac{\pi(2x-1)\cos \pi x + 2\sin \pi x}{-\pi \sin \pi x}$$

$$= \frac{\pi(2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} - 1) \cos \frac{\pi}{2} + 2\sin \frac{\pi}{2}}{-\pi \sin \frac{\pi}{2}}$$

$$= \frac{0+2}{-\pi}$$

$$= \frac{-2}{\pi}$$

$$4.6) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan 3x}{2x^2 + 5x} \quad \text{IF} = \frac{0}{0}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{3 \sec^2 3x}{4x + 5}$$

$$= \frac{3 \sec^2 3 \cdot 0}{4 \cdot 0 + 5}$$

$$= \frac{3 \cdot 1}{0+5}$$

$$= \frac{3}{5}$$

2. Car A is traveling west at and car B is traveling north at 50 mi/h. and car B is traveling north at 60 mi/h. Both are headed for the intersection of the two roads. At what rate are the cars approaching each other when car A is 0.3 mi and car B is 0.4 mi from the intersection?

3. The length of a rectangle is increasing at a rate of 8 cm/s and its width is increasing at a rate of 3 cm/s. When the length is 20 cm and the width is 10 cm, how fast is the area of the rectangle increasing?

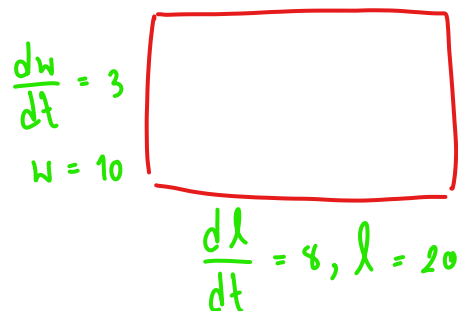
$$\text{Area} = \text{width} \times \text{length}$$

$$A = wl$$

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = w \frac{dl}{dt} + l \frac{dw}{dt}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dA}{dt} &= 10(8) + 20(3) \\ &= 80 + 60 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = 140 \text{ cm}^2/\text{s}$$



4. Find the critical points of the following

4.1 $y = x^3 - 2x^2$

4.2 $y = \frac{x-1}{x^2}$

4.1) $y' = 3x^2 - 4x$

Find critical points $3x^2 - 4x = 0$

$$x(3x - 4) = 0$$

Critical points $x = 0, \frac{4}{3}$

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

$$y' = \frac{-x^2 + 2x}{x^4}$$

$$= \frac{-x + 2}{x^3}$$

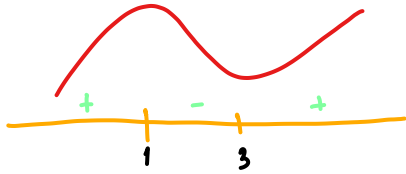
Find critical points $\frac{-x + 2}{x^3} = 0$

$$-x + 2 = 0$$

critical $x = 2$ and $x \neq 0$

5. Locate the intervals of x where each function is increasing and where it is decreasing and find the local minimum and maximum values of $f(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 9x - 5$.

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= 3x^2 - 12x + 9 = 0 \\ &= x^2 - 4x + 3 = 0 \\ &= (x-3)(x-1) = 0 \end{aligned}$$



increasing $(-\infty, 1] \cup [3, \infty)$

decreasing $[1, 3]$

$$f(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 9x - 5$$

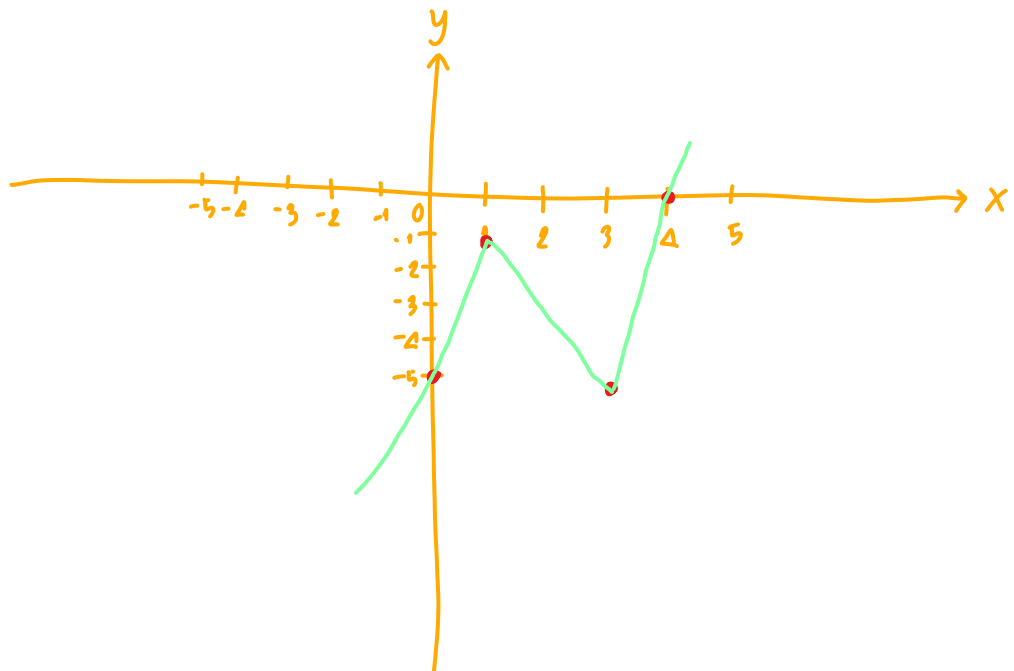
$$f(1) = 1^3 - 6(1)^2 + 9(1) - 5$$

$$= 1 - 6 + 9 - 5$$

$$= -1 \quad \text{local maximum}$$

$$f(3) = 3^3 - 6(3)^2 + 9(3) - 5$$

$$= -5 \quad \text{local minimum}$$



6. Analyze and sketch a graph of $y = x^4 - 4x^3 + 8x - 2$.

$$y' = 4x^3 - 12x^2 + 8$$

critical points $4x^3 - 12x^2 + 8 = 0$
 $x^3 - 3x^2 + 2 = 0$

using calculator $x = -0.732, 2.732, 1$



find max/min

$$f(-0.732) \approx -6$$

$$f(1) \approx 3$$

$$f(2.732) \approx -6$$

