

**THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG**  
**Department of Mathematics**  
**MATH1510 Calculus for Engineers (Fall 2021)**  
**Homework 3**  
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**General Guidelines for Homework Submission.**

- Please submit your answer to Gradescope through the centralized course MATH1510A-I in Blackboard.
- In Gradescope, for each question, please indicate exactly which page(s) its answer locates. **Answers of incorrectly matched questions will not be graded.**
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- Points will only be awarded for answers with sufficient justifications.
- All questions in **Part A** along with some selected questions in **Part B** will be graded. Question(s) labeled with \* are more challenging.

## Part A:

### 1. Procedure for graphing functions using Calculus

**Step 1:** Pre-calculus analysis:

- (a) Find the domain of the function.
- (b) Find the  $x$ - and  $y$ - intercepts.
- (c) Test for symmetry with respect to the  $y$ -axis and the origin.  
(Verify whether the function is even or odd or neither or both).

**Step 2:** Calculus analysis:

- (a) Use the first derivative to find the critical points and to find out where the graph is increasing and decreasing.
- (b) Test the critical points for local maxima and minima.
- (c) Use the second derivative to find out where the graph is concave upward and concave downward, and to locate inflection points.
- (d) Find all asymptotes (horizontal, vertical), if any.

**Step 3:** Plot all critical points, inflection points, and  $x$ - and  $y$ - intercepts.

**Step 4:** Sketch the graph.

Sketch the graph of

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

following the above procedure.

**Part B:**

2. A spherical balloon is inflated with helium at the rate of  $100\pi\text{ft}^3/\text{min}$ . How fast is the balloon's radius increasing at the instant the radius is 5ft? How fast is the surface area increasing? Recall that

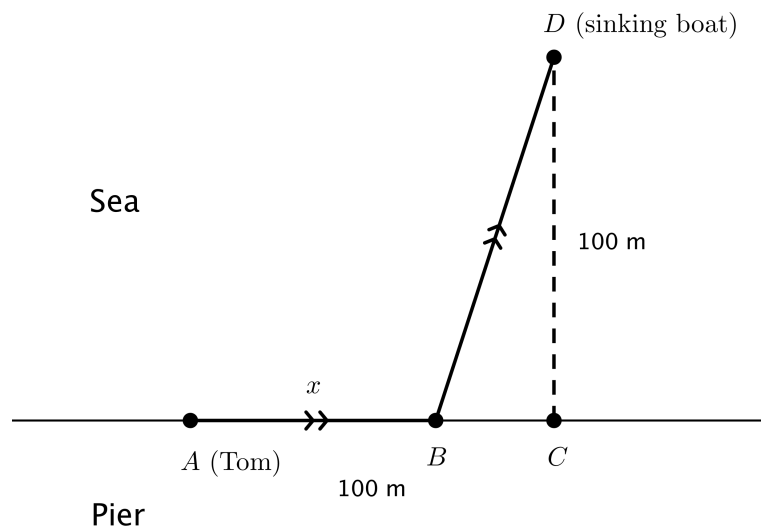
$$V(t) = \frac{4}{3}\pi r(t)^3, S(t) = 4\pi r(t)^2,$$

where  $V(t)$  and  $S(t)$  are the volume and surface of the sphere where the radius is given by  $r(t)$ .

3. Show that

$$\frac{2}{\pi}x < \sin x < x, \quad x \in (0, \frac{\pi}{2}).$$

4. Tom, a lifeguard stationed at point  $A$ , spotted a sinking boat at point  $D$ :



To get to point  $D$  as soon as possible, he decided to run from  $A$  to  $B$  and swim from  $B$  to  $D$ . Suppose his running and swimming speeds are 9 and 1.8 respectively, and  $|AC| = |CD| = 100$ . Denote  $|AB| = x$ ,  $x \in [0, 100]$ .

- Express the total time taken of the trip  $T$  as a function of  $x$ .
- Find all the critical points of  $T(x)$  over the interval  $(0, 100)$ .
- Find the value(s) of  $x$  that minimizes the total time taken and the corresponding  $T$  (correct to 2 d.p.).

5. In physics, if the displacement of an object is described by a function  $x(t)$ , then its velocity, denoted by  $v(t)$ , and its acceleration, denoted by  $a(t)$ , are given by  $x'(t) = \frac{dx}{dt}$  and  $x''(t) = \frac{d^2x}{dt^2}$  respectively.

Ideally, an object attached to a spring oscillates in simple harmonic motion. Its displacement from the equilibrium position would then be a function of time  $t$ , given by

$$x(t) = A \cos(\omega t - \varphi),$$

where  $m$  is the mass of the object,  $k$  is the spring constant,  $\omega = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$  and  $A, \varphi$  are two constants determined by the initial situation.

- (a) Find the velocity  $v(t)$  and acceleration  $a(t)$  of the object as a function of time.
- (b) Find the maximum velocity and acceleration in magnitude and the value(s) of  $t$  achieving them.
- (c) The kinetic and potential energy of the object are given by

$$K(t) = \frac{1}{2}m(v(t))^2 \quad \text{and} \quad U(t) = \frac{1}{2}k(x(t))^2$$

respectively. Show that the total mechanical energy, i.e. the sum of kinetic energy and potential energy, is independent of time  $t$ .

6. Find the indicated limit, if it exists. Furthermore, if the limit does not exist but diverges to plus or minus infinity, please indicate so, and determine the correct sign. (Make sure that you have an indeterminate form of the right type before you apply L'Hôpital's rule.)

(a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \left( \frac{1}{x} - \csc x \right);$

(b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (\cos x)^{1/x};$

(c)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \left( \frac{e^x + \sin x}{e^x - \sin x} \right).$

7. Assume that  $\mathbf{r}_1(t) = \langle a(t), b(t), c(t) \rangle$  and  $\mathbf{r}_2(t) = \langle x(t), y(t), z(t) \rangle$  are differentiable. Show that

(a)

$$\frac{d}{dt}(\mathbf{r}_1(t) \cdot \mathbf{r}_2(t)) = \mathbf{r}_1(t) \cdot \mathbf{r}_2'(t) + \mathbf{r}_1'(t) \cdot \mathbf{r}_2(t).$$

(b)

$$\frac{d}{dt}(\mathbf{r}_1(t) \times \mathbf{r}_2(t)) = \mathbf{r}_1(t) \times \mathbf{r}_2'(t) + \mathbf{r}_1'(t) \times \mathbf{r}_2(t).$$