

MATH 110 Midterm Test 2 Solutions

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1 A Version

1. (a) We can write $y = (\tan(3x))^2$, so y is the composition of three functions. We have

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2(\tan(3x))^1 \cdot \frac{d}{dx} \tan(3x) = 2 \tan(3x) \sec^2(3x) \frac{d}{dx} 3x = 2 \tan(3x) \cdot \sec^2(3x) \cdot 3$$

- (b) We can write $g(t) = (t^2 + 1)^{1/3}$ so we have by the chain rule

$$g'(t) = \frac{1}{3}(t^2 + 1)^{-2/3} \cdot \frac{d}{dt}(t^2 + 1) = \frac{1}{3}(t^2 + 1)^{-2/3} \cdot 2t = \frac{2}{3}t(t^2 + 1)^{-2/3}$$

Differentiating again, by the product rule and the chain rule,

$$g''(t) = \frac{2}{3}(t^2 + 1)^{-2/3} + \frac{2}{3}t \frac{d}{dt}(t^2 + 1)^{-2/3} = \frac{2}{3}(t^2 + 1)^{-2/3} + \frac{2}{3}t \cdot -\frac{2}{3}(t^2 + 1)^{-5/3} \cdot 2t$$

2. By the quotient rule we have

$$\frac{dy}{ds} = \frac{(1 + 2s) - s(2)}{(1 + 2s)^2} = \frac{1}{(1 + 2s)^2}$$

so

$$dy = \frac{1}{(1 + 2s)^2} ds$$

3. Multiplying and dividing by the conjugate radical we have

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

Dividing through by the highest power of x in the denominator, namely x (because x^2 appears under the square root sign),

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x}{\sqrt{4x^2 + 2x} + 2x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{\sqrt{4x^2/x^2 + 2x/x^2} + 2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{\sqrt{4 + 2/x} + 2} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{4 + 0} + 2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

4. (a) Call the short side x and the height h ; then the long side is $2x$. See Figure 1.
(b) The amount of material on the base is $x \times 2x = 2x^2$, the amount of material on the short sides is $xh + xh = 2xh$, and the amount of material on the long sides is $2xh + 2xh = 4xh$, so the objective function to be minimized is $S = 2x^2 + 6xh$. The constraint is that the volume must be 10 units, so $10 = x \cdot 2x \cdot h$ or $10 = 2x^2h$.

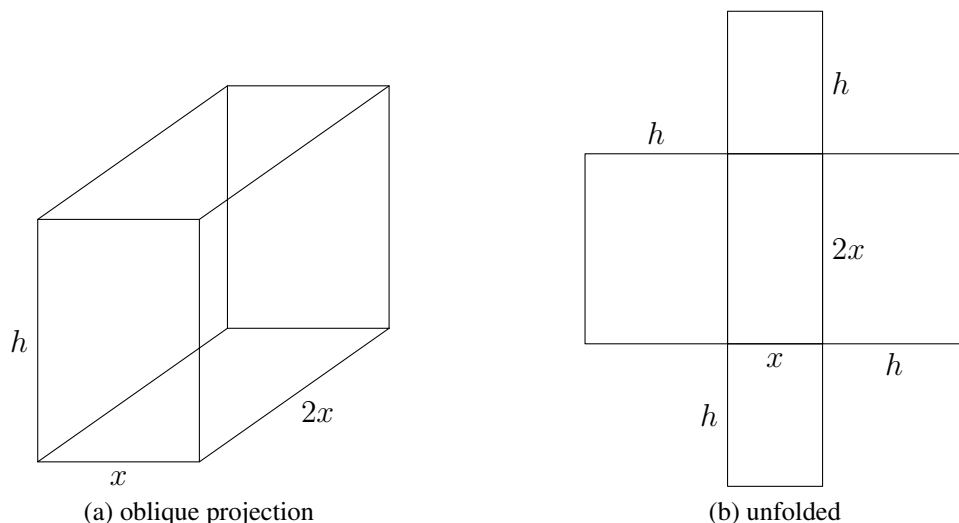


Figure 1: Two views of the box

- (c) We use the constraint to eliminate one of the variables. The easiest way is to write $h = 5/x^2$, so $S(x) = 2x^2 + 30/x$ is to be minimized. Its first derivative is $S'(x) = 4x - 30/x^2$ so a local minimum will occur when $S'(x)$ is undefined (nowhere) or when $S'(x) = 0$ which is equivalent to $x^3 = 7.5$ or $x = \sqrt[3]{7.5}$.

To apply the first derivative test note $S'(x) = (4x^3 - 30)/x^2$ is negative when $4x^3 - 30 < 0$, i.e., when $x < \sqrt[3]{7.5}$, and is positive when $4x^3 - 30 > 0$, i.e., when $x > \sqrt[3]{7.5}$. Therefore $S(x)$ decreases from 0 to $\sqrt[3]{7.5}$ then increases thereafter, guaranteeing that $S(x)$ has a global minimum at $x = \sqrt[3]{7.5}$.

- (d) The dimensions of the box which minimize the amount of material used are $\sqrt[3]{7.5}$ for the short side, $2\sqrt[3]{7.5}$ for the long side, and $5/(\sqrt[3]{7.5})^2$ for the height.

5. Call the point at which the cars start the origin. The distance between the cars always satisfies $z^2 = x^2 + y^2$, so the rates of change are related by $zz' = xx' + yy'$. Two hours later, we have the car moving south at position $y = -120$ and the car moving west at position $x = -50$. The distance between the cars is $z = \sqrt{(-50)^2 + (-120)^2} = 130$ and the known velocities are $y' = -60$ and $x' = -25$. Filling in all that information we have

$$z' = \frac{xx' + yy'}{z} = \frac{-50 \cdot -25 + -120 \cdot -60}{130} = 65$$

Two hours later, the distance between the cars is increasing at a rate of 65 mi/h.

6. Note that $f'(x)$ is negative when $x < 1$ and positive when $1 < x$, so $f(x)$ is decreasing when $x < 1$ and increasing when $1 < x$. Similarly, $f''(x)$ is negative when $x < 0$, positive when $0 < x < 2$, and negative when $2 < x$, so $f(x)$ is concave down when $x < 0$, concave up when $0 < x < 2$, and concave down when $2 < x$.

- (a) f is increasing and concave up on the overlap of the intervals on which it is increasing ($1 < x$) and concave up ($0 < x < 2$), i.e., f is increasing and concave up on $1 < x < 2$.

- (b) f is increasing and concave down on $2 < x$.

- (c) f is decreasing and concave up when $0 < x < 1$.

- (d) f is decreasing and concave down when $x < 0$.

- (e) We have $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} \frac{2 - 4/x + 1/x^2}{1 - 2/x + 4/x^2} = 2$, so the horizontal asymptote is $y = 2$.

See Figure 2. Although the graph isn't required to answer the question, graphing the function makes it easier to understand and visualize the situation.

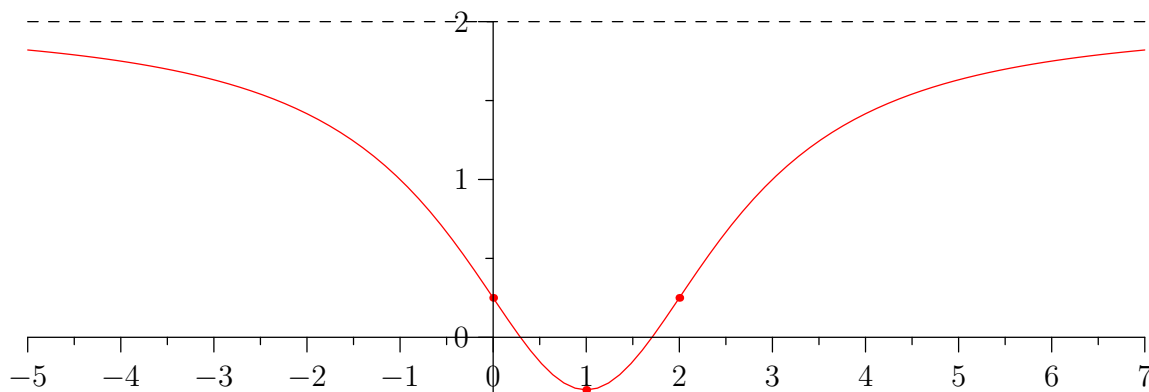


Figure 2: Graph of $f(x) = (2x^2 - 4x + 1)/(x^2 - 2x + 4)$

7. **Solution 1:** Multiplying and dividing by the “conjugate” $\cos \theta + 1$ and using $\tan \theta = \sin \theta / \cos \theta$,

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos \theta - 1}{\tan \theta} = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{(\cos \theta - 1)(\cos \theta + 1) \cos \theta}{\sin \theta (\cos \theta + 1)} = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{(\cos^2 \theta - 1) \cos \theta}{\sin \theta (\cos \theta + 1)}$$

Using the Pythagorean identity $\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1$,

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{(\cos^2 \theta - 1) \cos \theta}{\sin \theta (\cos \theta + 1)} = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{-\sin^2 \theta \cos \theta}{\sin \theta (\cos \theta + 1)} = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{-\sin \theta \cos \theta}{\cos \theta + 1} = \frac{-0 \cdot 1}{1 + 1} = 0$$

Solution 2: Using the identity $\tan \theta = \sin \theta / \cos \theta$ and multiplying and dividing by θ gives

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos \theta - 1}{\tan \theta} = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos \theta - 1}{\theta} \cdot \frac{\theta}{\sin \theta} \cdot \cos \theta = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos \theta - 1}{\theta} \cdot \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\theta}{\sin \theta} \cdot \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \cos \theta = 0 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 = 0$$

by the basic trig limits.

8. We have to show that the function $f(x) = 2\sqrt{x} - 3 + 1/x$ satisfies $f(x) > 0$ for all $x > 1$. Note $f'(x) = x^{-1/2} - 1/x^2 = (x^{3/2} - 1)/x^2 > 0$ for $x > 1$ so $f(x)$ is increasing for $x > 1$, which means $f(x) > f(1) = 0$ for $x > 1$, as required.

2 B Version

1. (a) We can write $y = (\sec(2x))^3$, so y is the composition of three functions. We have

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 3(\sec(2x))^2 \cdot \frac{d}{dx} \sec(2x) = 3 \sec^2(2x) \sec(2x) \tan(2x) \frac{d}{dx} 2x = 3 \sec^2(2x) \cdot \sec(2x) \tan(2x) \cdot 2$$

- (b) We can write $g(t) = (t^3 + 1)^{1/2}$ so we have by the chain rule

$$g'(t) = \frac{1}{2}(t^3 + 1)^{-1/2} \cdot \frac{d}{dt}(t^3 + 1) = \frac{1}{2}(t^3 + 1)^{-1/2} \cdot 3t^2 = \frac{3}{2}t^2(t^3 + 1)^{-1/2}$$

Differentiating again, by the product rule and the chain rule,

$$g''(t) = \frac{3}{2}2t(t^3 + 1)^{-1/2} + \frac{3}{2}t^2 \frac{d}{dt}(t^3 + 1)^{-1/2} = 3t(t^3 + 1)^{-1/2} + \frac{3}{2}t^2 \cdot -\frac{1}{2}(t^3 + 1)^{-3/2} \cdot 3t^2$$

2. By the quotient rule we have

$$\frac{dy}{du} = \frac{(u-1) - (u+1)}{(u-1)^2} = \frac{-2}{(u-1)^2}$$

so

$$dy = -\frac{2}{(u-1)^2} du$$

3. Multiplying and dividing by the conjugate radical we have

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

Dividing through by the highest power of x in the denominator, namely x (because x^2 appears under the square root sign),

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x}{\sqrt{9x^2 + x} + 3x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{9x^2/x^2 + x/x^2 + 3x/x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{9 + 1/x} + 3} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{9 + 0} + 3} = \frac{1}{6}$$

4. (a) Call the short side x and the height h ; then the long side is $3x$. See Figure 3.

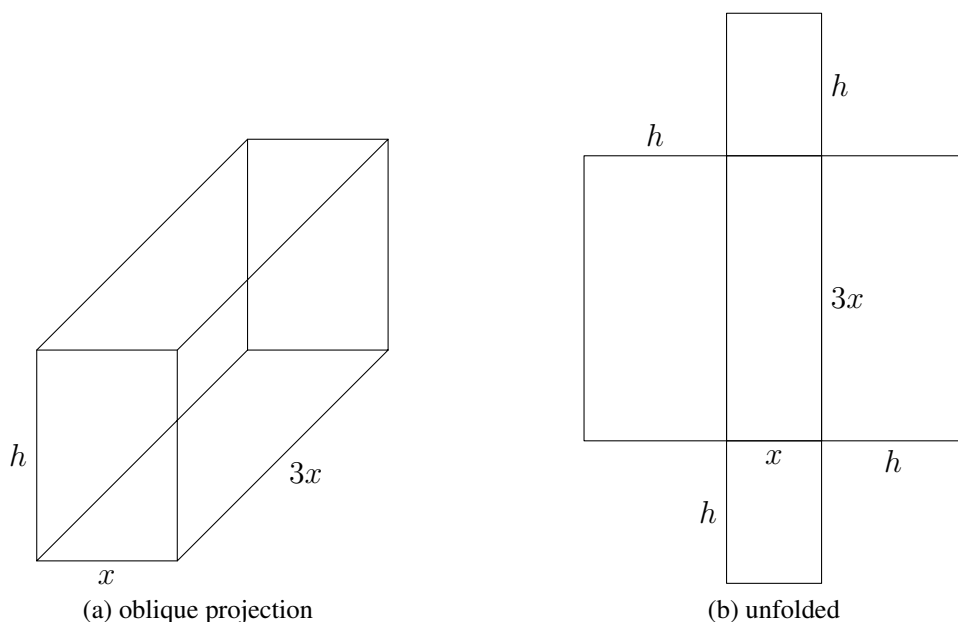


Figure 3: Two views of the box

- (b) The amount of material on the base is $x \times 3x = 3x^2$, the amount of material on the short sides is $xh + xh = 2xh$, and the amount of material on the long sides is $3xh + 3xh = 6xh$, so the objective function to be minimized is $S = 3x^2 + 8xh$. The constraint is that the volume must be 10 units, so $10 = x \cdot 3x \cdot h$ or $10 = 3x^2h$.
- (c) We use the constraint to eliminate one of the variables. The easiest way is to write $h = 10/(3x^2)$, so $S(x) = 3x^2 + 80/(3x)$ is to be minimized. Its first derivative is $S'(x) = 6x - 80/(3x^2)$ so a local minimum will occur when $S'(x)$ is undefined (nowhere) or when $S'(x) = 0$ which is equivalent to $x^3 = 40/9$ or $x = \sqrt[3]{40/9}$.

To apply the first derivative test note $S'(x) = (18x^3 - 80)/x^2$ is negative when $18x^3 - 80 < 0$, i.e., when $x < \sqrt[3]{40/9}$, and is positive when $18x^3 - 80 > 0$, i.e., when $x > \sqrt[3]{40/9}$. Therefore $S(x)$ decreases from 0 to $\sqrt[3]{40/9}$ then increases thereafter, guaranteeing that $S(x)$ has a global minimum at $x = \sqrt[3]{40/9}$.

- (d) The dimensions of the box which minimize the amount of material used are $\sqrt[3]{40/9}$ for the short side, $2\sqrt[3]{40/9}$ for the long side, and $10/(3(\sqrt[3]{40/9})^2)$ for the height.

5. Call the point at which the cars start the origin. The distance between the cars always satisfies $z^2 = x^2 + y^2$, so the rates of change are related by $zz' = xx' + yy'$. Two hours later, we have the car moving north at position $y = 120$ and the car moving east at position $x = 160$. The distance between the cars is $z = \sqrt{(160)^2 + (120)^2} = 200$ and the known velocities are $y' = 60$ and $x' = 80$. Filling in all that information, we have

$$z' = \frac{xx' + yy'}{z} = \frac{160 \cdot 80 + 120 \cdot 60}{200} = 100$$

Two hours later, the distance between the cars is increasing at a rate of 100 mi/h.

6. Note that $f'(x)$ is negative when $x < 0$ and positive when $0 < x$, so $f(x)$ is decreasing when $x < 0$ and increasing when $0 < x$. Similarly, $f''(x)$ is negative when $x < -1$, positive when $-1 < x < 1$, and negative when $1 < x$, so $f(x)$ is concave down when $x < -1$, concave up when $-1 < x < 1$, and concave down when $1 < x$.

- (a) f is increasing and concave up on the overlap of the intervals on which it is increasing ($0 < x$) and concave up ($-1 < x < 1$), i.e., f is increasing and concave up on $0 < x < 1$.

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- (e) We have $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} \frac{1 + 1/x^2}{1 + 3/x^2} = 1$, so the horizontal asymptote is $y = 1$.

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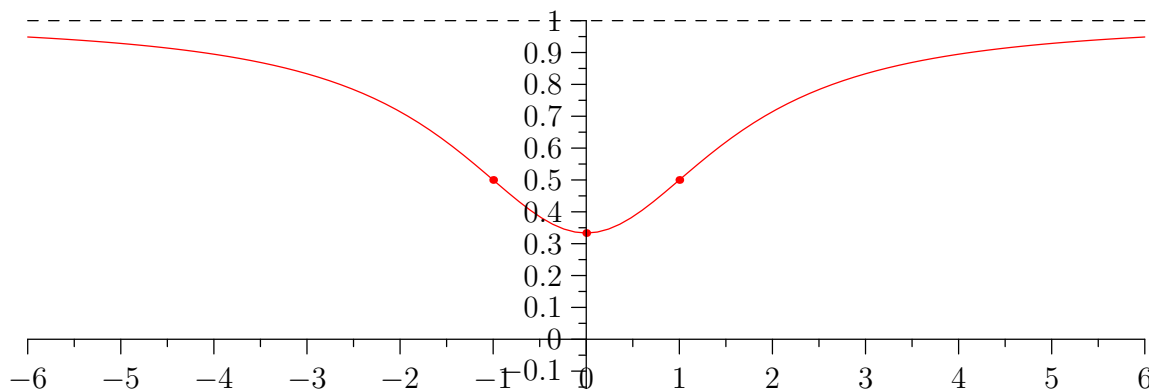


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3 C Version

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Differentiating again, by the product rule and the chain rule,

$$g''(t) = (t^2 + 1)^{-1/2} + t \frac{d}{dt}(t^2 + 1)^{-1/2} = (t^2 + 1)^{-1/2} + t \cdot -\frac{1}{2}(t^2 + 1)^{-3/2} \cdot 2t$$

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so

$$dy = \frac{2}{(x+1)^2} dx$$

3. Multiplying and dividing by the conjugate radical we have

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sqrt{25x^2 + 3x} - 5x \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sqrt{25x^2 + 3x} - 5x \right) \cdot \frac{\sqrt{25x^2 + 3x} + 5x}{\sqrt{25x^2 + 3x} + 5x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3x}{\sqrt{25x^2 + 3x} + 5x}$$

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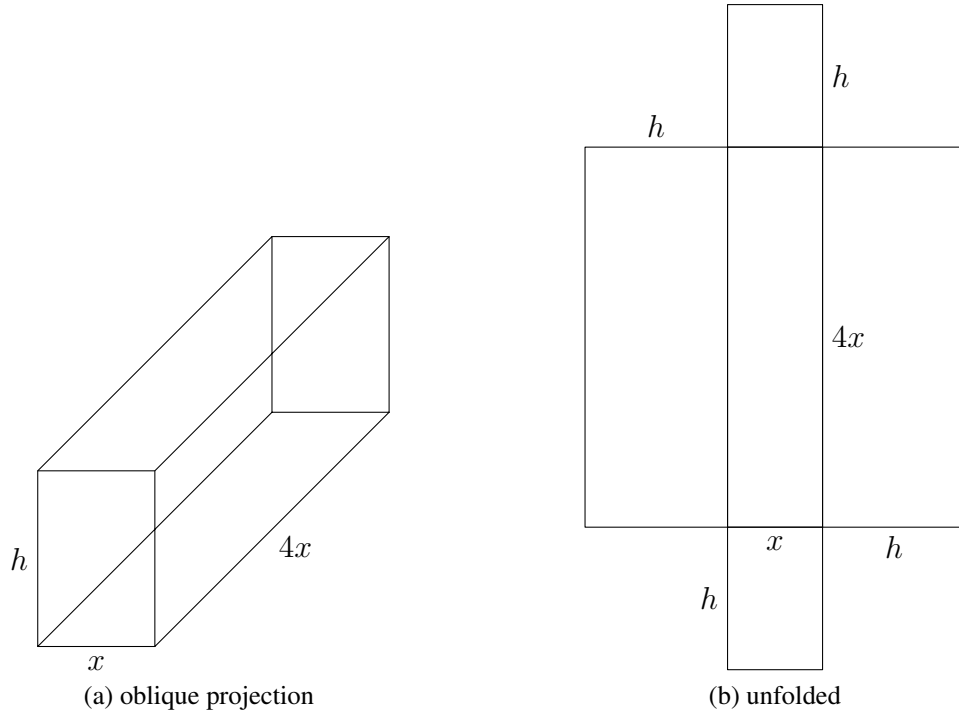


Figure 5: Two views of the box

- (b) The amount of material on the base is $x \times 4x = 4x^2$, the amount of material on the short sides is $xh + xh = 2xh$, and the amount of material on the long sides is $4xh + 4xh = 8xh$, so the objective function to be minimized is $S = 4x^2 + 10xh$. The constraint is that the volume must be 10 units, so $10 = x \cdot 4x \cdot h$ or $10 = 4x^2h$.
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5. Call the point at which the cars start the origin. The distance between the cars always satisfies $z^2 = x^2 + y^2$, so the rates of change are related by $zz' = xx' + yy'$. Two hours later, we have the car moving north at position $y = 200$ and the car moving west at position $x = -150$. The distance between the cars is $z = \sqrt{(-150)^2 + (200)^2} = 250$ and the known velocities are $y' = 100$ and $x' = -75$. Filling in all that information we have

$$z' = \frac{xx' + yy'}{z} = \frac{-150 \cdot -75 + 200 \cdot 100}{250} = 125$$

Two hours later, the distance between the cars is increasing at a rate of 125 km/h.

6. Note that $f'(x)$ is negative when $x < -1$ and positive when $-1 < x$, so $f(x)$ is decreasing when $x < -1$ and increasing when $-1 < x$. Similarly, $f''(x)$ is negative when $x < -2$, positive when $-2 < x < 0$, and negative when $0 < x$, so $f(x)$ is concave down when $x < -2$, concave up when $-20 < x < 0$, and concave down when $0 < x$.

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- (b) f is increasing and concave down on $0 < x$.
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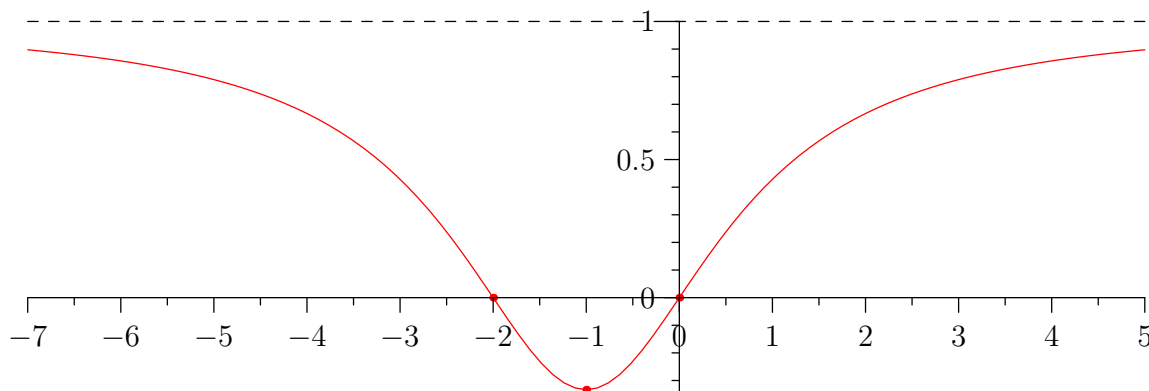


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Using the Pythagorean identity $\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1$,

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