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**ESC194F Calculus I**  
**Midterm Test 1**  
**9:10 – 10:55, 19 October 2023**  
**105 minutes**  
**No calculators or aids**  
**There are 10 questions, each question is worth 10 marks**

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1. Evaluate the following limits if they exist. Indicate the limit laws used in your solution.

$$(a) \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^2 - 4}{x^2 + 2x - 3}$$

$$(b) \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} \frac{x^2 - 2}{x^2 + 2x - 3}$$

$$(c) \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{2-x}{|2-x|}$$

$$(d) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \sin(x - 1 + \cos x)$$

$$(e) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2 - \sqrt{4 - x^2}}{x}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a) \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^2 - 4}{x^2 + 2x - 3} &= \frac{2^2 - 4}{2^2 + 4 - 3} \\ &= \frac{0}{5} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

sum, difference &  
quotient rules  
direct substitution

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

sum, difference,  
product & quotient rules  
direct substitution  
infinite limit

$$\begin{aligned} c) \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{2-x}{|2-x|} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{2-x}{-(2-x)} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} -1 \\ &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

cancel common factor

$$\begin{aligned} d) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \sin(x - 1 + \cos x) &= \sin(0 - 1 + \cos(0)) \\ &= \sin(0 - 1 + 1) \\ &= \sin(0) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

composite function  
rule  
direct substitution

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

cancel common factor  
 quotient law  
 root law  
 direct substitution

2. Calculate the derivative of the following functions, citing all theorems used:

(a)  $f(x) = 3x^2$

(b)  $f(x) = 2/x^3$

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

(d)  $f(x) = \sin^2(x^3)$

(e)  $f(x) = \tan(\sqrt{x})$

a)  $f(x) = 3x^2 \rightarrow f'(x) = 6x$  constant multiplier rule  
power rule

b)  $f(x) = 2/x^3 \Rightarrow f'(x) = 2 \cdot (-3)x^{-4}$  constant multiplier  
general power rule  
 $= -6/x^4$

c)  $f(x) = \frac{3+x^2}{2-x} \Rightarrow f'(x) = \frac{(2-x)(2x) - (3+x^2)(-1)}{(2-x)^2}$  quotient rule  
power rule  
 $= \frac{-x^2 + 4x + 3}{(2-x)^2}$

d)  $f(x) = \sin^2(x^3) \Rightarrow f'(x) = 2 \sin(x^3) \cdot \cos(x^3) \cdot (3x^2)$   
 $= 6x^2 \sin(x^3) \cos(x^3)$

power rule, basic trig derivative, chain rule  
constant multiplier & power rule

e)  $f(x) = \tan \sqrt{x} \Rightarrow f'(x) = \sec^2 \sqrt{x} \cdot \frac{1}{2} x^{-1/2}$   
 $= \frac{\sec^2 \sqrt{x}}{2\sqrt{x}}$

basic trig derivative, general power rule

3. Plot the range of  $x$  specified by the inequalities:

a)  $|3 - 2x| < 10$

b)  $\frac{3x+7}{2x^2+6x-8} > 0$

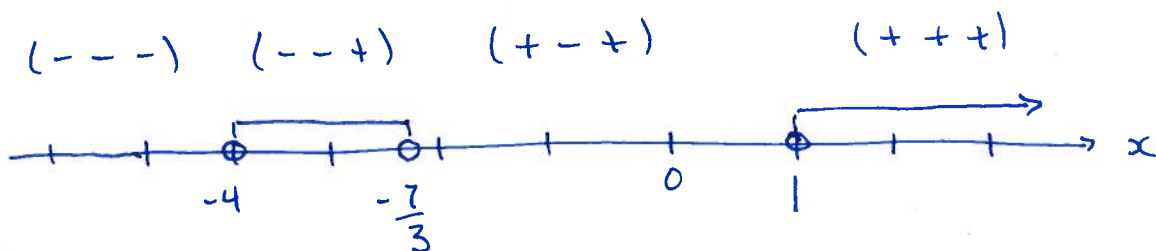
a) boundary values:  $|3 - 2x| = 10 \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} 3 - 2x &= 10 \Rightarrow x = -\frac{7}{2} \\ 3 - 2x &= -10 \Rightarrow x = \frac{13}{2} \end{aligned}$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x < -\frac{7}{2} &\Rightarrow |3 - 2x| > 10 \\ -\frac{7}{2} < x < \frac{13}{2} &\Rightarrow |3 - 2x| < 10 \\ x > \frac{13}{2} &\Rightarrow |3 - 2x| > 10 \end{aligned} \right\} x \in \left(-3\frac{1}{2}, 6\frac{1}{2}\right)$$



b)  $\frac{3x+7}{2x^2+6x-8} = \frac{3x+7}{2(x-1)(x+4)} > 0 \Leftrightarrow (3x+7)(x-1)(x+4) > 0$

zeros:  $-4, -\frac{7}{3}, 1$



4) Use a  $\epsilon - \delta$  type of proof to prove the limits:

a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} 2x + 3 = 5$

b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} \frac{(x+1)^2}{x^3} = 0$

a) prove  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} 2x + 3 = 5$

1) Find  $\delta > 0$  st. for  $0 < |x-1| < \delta$   $|(2x+3)-5| < \epsilon$

$\Rightarrow |(2x+3)-5| = 2|x-1| < \epsilon \Rightarrow |x-1| < \frac{\epsilon}{2} \therefore$  choose  $\delta = \frac{\epsilon}{2}$

2) Proof: given  $\epsilon > 0$ , let  $\delta = \frac{\epsilon}{2}$

thus  $|2x+3-5| = 2|x-1| < 2\delta = \epsilon$  for  $0 < |x-1| < \delta = \frac{\epsilon}{2}$

$\therefore$  by the definition of a limit  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} 2x + 3 = 5$

b) prove  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} \frac{(x+1)^2}{x^3} = 0$

1) Find  $\delta > 0$  st. for  $|x+1| < \delta$ ,  $|\frac{(x+1)^2}{x^3} - 0| < \epsilon$

now, take  $\delta < \frac{1}{2} \therefore |x+1| < \delta \Rightarrow -\frac{1}{2} < x+1 < \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow -\frac{3}{2} < x < -\frac{1}{2}$

$\Rightarrow$  for  $-\frac{3}{2} < x < -\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\frac{8}{27} < |\frac{1}{x^3}| < 8$

$\therefore \left| \frac{(x+1)^2}{x^3} \right| < 8|x+1|^2 \Rightarrow |x+1|^2 < \frac{\epsilon}{8} \Rightarrow |x+1| < \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon}{8}}$

$\therefore$  choose  $\delta = \min \left\{ \frac{1}{2}, \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon}{8}} \right\}$

2) Proof: given  $\epsilon > 0$ , let  $\delta = \min \left\{ \frac{1}{2}, \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon}{8}} \right\}$

thus  $\left| \frac{(x+1)^2}{x^3} - 0 \right| = \left| \frac{(x+1)^2}{x^3} \right| < 8|x+1|^2 < 8 \frac{\epsilon}{8} = \epsilon$

$\therefore \left| \frac{(x+1)^2}{x^3} - 0 \right| < \epsilon$  whenever  $0 < |x+1| < \delta = \min \left\{ \frac{1}{2}, \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon}{8}} \right\}$

$\therefore$  by the definition of a limit,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} \frac{(x+1)^2}{x^3} = 0$

5. a) Can the graph of a polynomial have vertical or horizontal asymptotes? Explain.

b) Sketch the graph of a function that satisfies all of the given conditions:

$$f'(0) = f'(2) = f'(4) = 0$$

$$f'(x) > 0 \text{ if } x < 0 \text{ or } 2 < x < 4$$

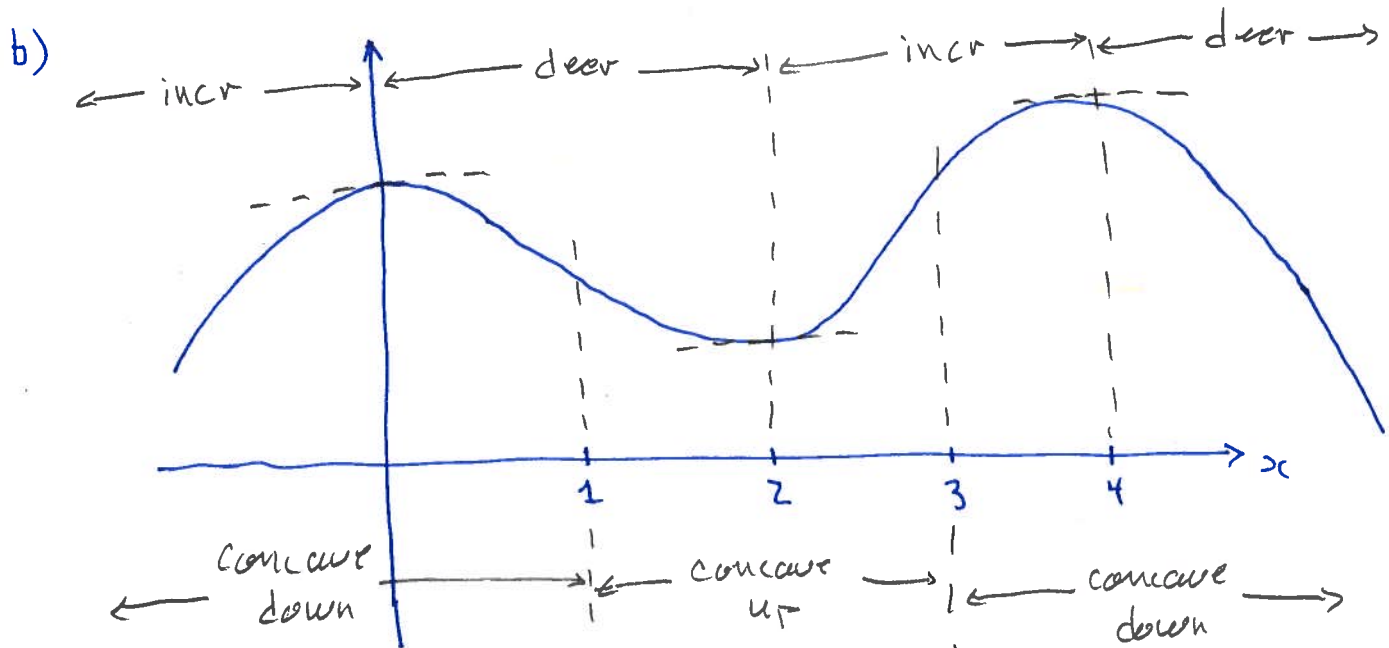
$$f'(x) < 0 \text{ if } 0 < x < 2 \text{ or } x > 4$$

$$f''(x) > 0 \text{ if } 1 < x < 3$$

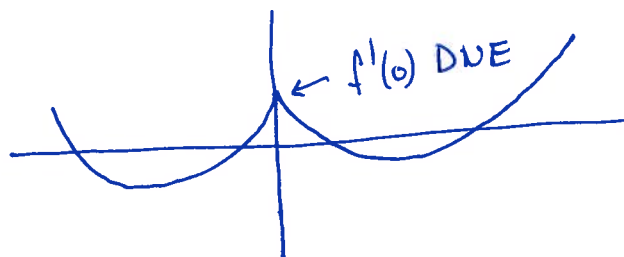
$$f''(x) < 0 \text{ if } x < 1 \text{ or } x > 3$$

c) Suppose a continuous function  $f$  is concave up on  $(-\infty, 0)$  and  $(0, \infty)$ . Assume  $f$  has a local maximum at  $x = 0$ . What, if anything, do you know about  $f'(0)$ ? Explain with an illustration.

a) No: - The domain of any polynomial is  $(-\infty, \infty)$ ; there are no vertical asymptotes.  
 - also,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} p(x) = \pm\infty$ ;  $\therefore$  no horizontal asymptotes.



c)



6. A spherical balloon is inflated at a rate of  $10 \text{ cm}^3/\text{min}$ . At what rate is the diameter of the balloon increasing when the balloon has a diameter of 5 cm?

$$V = \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3 = \frac{\pi}{6} D^3$$

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = \frac{\pi}{6} \cdot 3D^2 \cdot \frac{dD}{dt} = \frac{\pi D^2}{2} \frac{dD}{dt}$$

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = 10 \text{ cm}^3/\text{min} \quad \text{when } D = 5 \text{ cm}$$

$$\Rightarrow 10 = \frac{\pi (5)^2}{2} \cdot \frac{dD}{dt} \Rightarrow \frac{dD}{dt} = \frac{4}{5\pi} \text{ cm/min}$$



7. Use implicit differentiation to find  $dy/dx$  for:

a)  $x^4 + y^4 = 2$

b)  $x^2y^2 + x \cos y = 2$

$$a) \quad 4x^3 + 4y^3 \frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{4x^3}{4y^3} = -\frac{x^3}{y^3}$$

$$b) \quad 2xy^2 + 2x^2y \frac{dy}{dx} + \cos y - x \sin y \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$(2x^2y - x \sin y) \frac{dy}{dx} = -2xy^2 - \cos y$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2xy^2 + \cos y}{x \sin y - 2x^2y}$$

8. For the function:  $f(x) = \sqrt{1-x} + \sqrt{1+x}$

- Determine the domain of  $f$ , the  $x$  and  $y$  intercepts, and identify any symmetry.
- Find the intervals in which  $f$  increases or decreases.
- Find the extreme values.
- Determine the concavity of the graph.
- Sketch the graph specifying the points of inflection, asymptotes and vertical tangents, if any.

i) domain:  $x \leq 1 \cap x \geq -1 \Rightarrow x \in [-1, 1]$

intercepts:  $f(0) = 2$ ;  $f(x) \neq 0$

symmetry:  $f(-x) = f(x) \therefore$  symmetric about  $y$ -axis

ii)  $f'(x) = \frac{1}{2}(1-x)^{-1/2}(-1) + \frac{1}{2}(1+x)^{-1/2} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{1+x}} - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{1-x}} = \frac{\sqrt{1-x} - \sqrt{1+x}}{2\sqrt{1-x^2}}$

$\Rightarrow f'(x) > 0 \Rightarrow \sqrt{1-x} > \sqrt{1+x} \Rightarrow x \in [-1, 0] \Rightarrow \text{incr}$

$f'(x) < 0 \Rightarrow \sqrt{1-x} < \sqrt{1+x} \Rightarrow x \in (0, 1] \Rightarrow \text{decr}$

iii)  $f'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow \sqrt{1-x} = \sqrt{1+x} \Rightarrow 1-x = 1+x \Rightarrow x = 0$

$f(0) = 2$  is a local and absolute maximum

end points:  $f(\pm 1) = \sqrt{2} = \text{local and absolute minima}$

iv)  $f''(x) = \frac{1}{4}(1-x)^{-3/2}(-1) - \frac{1}{4}(1+x)^{-3/2} = -\frac{1}{4(1-x)^{3/2}} - \frac{1}{4(1+x)^{3/2}} < 0$

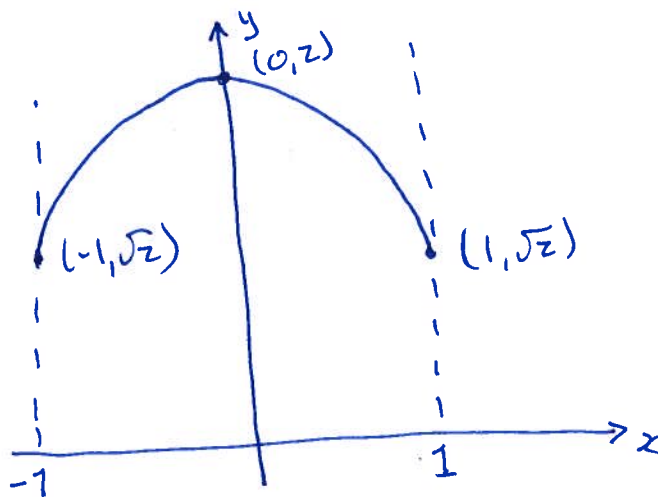
$\therefore$  the graph is concave down  $x \in [-1, 1]$

v)  $f'(-1) \rightarrow +\infty$

$f'(1) \rightarrow -\infty$

$\therefore$  vertical tangents

no asymptotes or points of inflection



9. Let  $p(x)$  be a real polynomial for which  $p(a) = b$  and  $p(b) = a$ . Prove that there exists a point  $u$ , with  $a < u < b$  and a polynomial  $q(x)$  for which:

$$p'(x) + 1 = (x - u) q(x)$$

Hint: Use the Mean Value Theorem.

$$\text{MVT: } p'(c) = \frac{p(b) - p(a)}{b - a} = \frac{a - b}{b - a} = -1$$

$$\therefore p'(c) + 1 = 0 \text{ for some pt. } c, a < c < b$$

Now  $p(x)$  is a real polynomial

$\therefore p'(x)$  is a real polynomial

$\therefore p'(x) + 1$  is a real polynomial  $\rightarrow$  call  $Q(x)$

Now  $Q(c) = 0 \therefore x = c$  is a root of  $Q(x)$

$\therefore x - c$  is a factor of  $Q(x)$

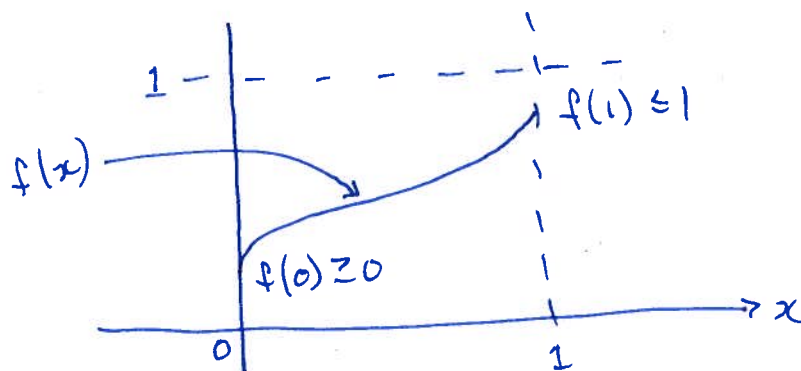
$$\therefore Q(x) = (x - c) \cdot q(x)$$

where  $q(x)$  is a polynomial

$$\therefore p'(x) + 1 = (x - u) \cdot q(x) \text{ with } a < u < b$$

and setting  $u = c$

10. Show that if  $f(x)$  is a continuous function on  $[0, 1]$  and  $0 \leq f(x) \leq 1$  for each  $x$ , then for some number  $c \in [0, 1]$ ,  $f(c) = c^2$ .



Case ①: If  $f(0) = 0 \Rightarrow f(0) = 0^2 = 0 \therefore c = 0$  works.

Case ②: If  $f(1) = 1 \Rightarrow f(1) = 1^2 = 1 \therefore c = 1$  works.

Case ③:  $f(0) > 0$  and  $f(1) < 1$

$$\Rightarrow \text{let } g(x) \equiv f(x) - x^2$$

$$\therefore g(0) = f(0) - 0^2 > 0$$

$$g(1) = f(1) - 1^2 < 0$$

$\therefore$  by the Intermediate Value Theorem, there is some number  $c \in (0, 1)$  such that  $g(c) = 0$

$$\therefore f(c) - c^2 = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad f(c) = c^2$$