Math 21A: Calculus Quiz 2 Solution

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This is a closed book, no notes, no calculator quiz. Remember, if a question has English in it, so should the answer.

1. (10 points) Find the derivative of

$$f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{x} \sin^2 x - \cot x}{\sec x}$$

Solution:

Let $f(x) = \frac{h(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{\sqrt{x} \sin^2 x - \cot x}{\sec x}$. Use quotient rule, i.e, $\left(\frac{h}{g}\right)' = \frac{h'g - g'h}{g^2}$. So we need to find h' and g'. For h, the derivative of the difference is the difference of the derivative, so $(\sqrt{x} \sin^2 x)' = \sqrt{x} 2 \sin x \cos x + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \sin^2 x$ by chain rule and product rule and $(\cot x)' = -\csc^2 x$. So

$$h' = \sqrt{x} 2\sin x \cos x + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \sin^2 x + \csc^2 x$$

and

$$g' = \sec x \tan x$$
.

Thus

$$f'(x) = \frac{(\sqrt{x} 2\sin x \cos x + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \sin^2 x + \csc^2 x)\sec x - \sec x \tan x(\sqrt{x} \sin^2 x - \cot x)}{\sec^2 x}.$$

2. (6 points) Draw the graph of a differentiable function that meets the given condtion:

$$f'(x) > 0$$
 when $x < 1$
 $f'(x) > 0$ when $x > 3$
 $f'(x) < 0$ when $1 < x < 3$

Solution:

