

University of Dhaka  
Department of Mathematics  
2<sup>nd</sup> Year B.S. Honors, Session 2023-24  
Subject: Mathematics  
Course Code: MTH 250 Course Title: Math Lab - II  
Assignment 1: Calculus I, Deadline: 1 lab class

Name:

Roll:

1) Consider the following functions

- i.  $f(x) = \frac{\sin x}{x}$
- ii.  $g(x) = \frac{\ln(x+1)}{(x+1)}$

Compute the following limits: (a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$  (b) Plot all three functions  $f(x)$  &  $g(x)$  on the same graph for  $x \in [-10, 10]$ .

- I. Use distinct styles or colors for each function. Include a grid on the plot. Highlight key points where the limits are evaluated (e.g.,  $x = 0, x = \pi$ ).
- II. Adjust the appearance of the plot: Make the lines for each function visually distinct. Use markers to indicate specific points. Focus the y-axis to show  $y \in [-1, 5]$ .
- III. Add appropriate labels to the axes, include a title, and provide a legend to differentiate the functions.

**Commands you will need:** *syms, ezplot, plot, figure, fplot, limit, grid, hold, LineWidth, MarkerFaceColor, MarkerSize, axis, xlabel, ylabel, title.*

2(a) Consider the function representing the growth of a certain population or process:

$$f(x) = 6x^4 - 12x^3 + 8x^2 - 4x$$

You are tasked with modeling the population growth of a species over time. Sketch the graphs of  $f(x)$ ,  $f'(x)$  &  $f''(x)$  on the same axes. Analyze the following:

- i. Identify the intervals of population growth (increasing) and decline (decreasing) based on the first derivative.
- ii. Determine the population's local maxima and minima, indicating periods of rapid growth or stability.
- iii. Identify intervals of concavity and locate inflection points to understand where the population experiences changes in growth behavior.

2(b) A company tracks the temperature  $T(t)$  in degrees Celsius inside a storage facility over a 6-hour period, where  $t$  is time in hours. The temperature is modeled by the function:

$$T(t) = -2t^3 + 9t^2 - 12t + 25, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 6$$

- i. Verify that  $T(t)$  satisfies the conditions of the Mean Value Theorem on the interval  $[0, 6]$
- ii. Use the Mean Value Theorem to find a time  $c$  in  $(0, 6)$  where the rate of change of temperature is equal to the average rate of change over the interval.
- iii. Plot the temperature function  $T(t)$  over the interval  $[0, 6]$  along with the secant line connecting the endpoints  $(0, T(0))$  and  $(6, T(6))$  and the tangent line at  $c$ .
- iv. Interpret the result: What does the time  $c$  represent in terms of the temperature variation inside the facility? How can this information help in maintaining stable storage conditions?

2(c) A biotech company is studying the growth rate of a bacterial colony in a controlled environment. The

size of the colony at time  $t$  (in hours) is modeled by the function:

$$P(t) = 50e^{0.2t} - 10t^2, 0 \leq t \leq 10$$

- i. Graph  $P(t)$ ,  $P'(t)$  (growth rate), and  $P''(t)$  (acceleration of growth or decay) on the same set of axes over the interval  $[0, 10]$ .
- ii. Analyze the graphs to answer the following:
- iii. When is the bacterial population increasing, and when is it decreasing?
- iv. At what time does the population reach its maximum size?
- v. Over what intervals is the growth rate increasing or decreasing?
- vi. Based on the behavior of  $P'(t)$  &  $P''(t)$ , identify the points of inflection and explain their biological significance in terms of changes in growth trends.
- vii. Discuss how this information can be used to optimize the conditions for bacterial growth in the lab.

Commands you will need: *diff, solve, legend*

- 3 Sketch the region enclosed by the given curves and find its area.

- i.  $y = e^x$  &  $y = x^2$
- ii.  $y = \cos x$  &  $y = 1 - \cos x, 0 \leq x \leq \pi$

Commands you will need: *solve, int*