
21-120: Differential and Integral Calculus
Recitation #5

1. Show that the equation $-x^3 + x^2 - x + 2 = 0$ has at least one solution in the interval $(1, 2)$.
2. Show that the equation

$$\cos(x) = \frac{1}{x}$$

has infinitely many solutions in $(0, +\infty)$.

Hint: Think about what happens between $2k\pi$ and $2k\pi + \pi$ when $k \geq 1$ is an integer.

3. Evaluate the following limits:

(a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\sqrt{x^2 - 7}}{3x + 5}$

(c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \left(\sqrt{x^2 + 6x + 1} - x \right)$

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{\sqrt{x^2 - 7}}{3x + 5}$

(d) $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{2e^x + 1}{e^x - 2}.$

4. For the function f defined for every $x \in \mathbb{R}$ as follows:

$$f(x) = \frac{3x}{x^2 - x - 6},$$

determine the equations of all horizontal or vertical asymptotes.

5. (a) Show, using the (ϵ, δ) definition that :

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^2 = 0.$$

- (b) Translate the statement into a mathematical formula (with quantifiers):

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \ln(1 + x) = 0.$$