

**MATHEMATICAL ANALYSIS 1**  
**HOMEWORK 8**

- (1) Recall the translation, rescaling and reflection functions defined on  $\mathbb{R}$  (with  $c > 0$ ):

$$t_c(x) = x + c \quad s_c(x) = cx \quad r(x) = -x.$$

For a function  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  that is differentiable for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , differentiate with respect to  $x$  the following functions:

(a) $(f \circ r)(x)$	(c) $(s_c \circ f)(x)$	(e) $(f \circ t_c)(x)$	(g) $(f \circ (s_c \circ r))(x)$
(b) $(r \circ f)(x)$	(d) $(f \circ s_c)(x)$	(f) $(t_c \circ f)(x)$	(h) $(f \circ (r \circ t_c))(x)$

- (2) Differentiate with respect to  $x$  the following functions (wherever they are differentiable):

(a) $f(x) = 3x\sqrt[3]{1+x^2}$	(c) $f(x) = \cos(e^{x^2+1})$	(e) $f(x) = \arcsin \sqrt{x}$
(b) $f(x) = x \ln x$	(d) $f(x) = -\frac{1}{(4x-1)^3}$	(f) $f(x) = x \tan(x^3)$

- (3) Write the equation of the tangent line at  $x_0$  to the graph of the following functions:

(a) $f(x) = \ln(3x-2)$ , $x_0 = 2$	(c) $f(x) = e^{\sqrt{2x+1}}$ , $x_0 = 0$
(b) $f(x) = \frac{x}{1+x^2}$ , $x_0 = 1$	(d) $f(x) = \sin \frac{1}{x}$ , $x_0 = \frac{1}{\pi}$

- (4) Verify that  $f(x) = 2x^5 + x^3 + 5x$  is invertible on  $\mathbb{R}$  and that  $f^{-1}$  is differentiable on  $\mathbb{R}$ . Compute  $(f^{-1})'(y_0)$  at  $y_0 = 0$  and  $y_0 = 8$ .

- (5) Find the maximum and minimum of the following functions on the given interval:

(a) $f(x) = \sin x + \cos x$ , $[0, 2\pi]$	(c) $f(x) = x^2 -  x+1  - 2$ , $[-2, 1]$
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- (6) Verify that  $f(x) = \ln(2+x) + 2\frac{x+1}{x+2}$  vanishes only at  $x_0 = -1$ .

- (7) Determine the number of zeroes and critical points of

$$f(x) = \frac{x \ln x - 1}{x^2}.$$

HOMEWORK 8 SOLUTIONS

- (1) (a)  $(f \circ r)'(x) = -f'(-x)$   
 (b)  $(r \circ f)'(x) = -f'(x)$   
 (c)  $(s_c \circ f)'(x) = cf'(x)$   
 (d)  $(f \circ s_c)'(x) = cf'(cx)$   
 (e)  $(f \circ t_c)'(x) = f'(x+c)$   
 (f)  $(t_c \circ f)'(x) = f'(x)$   
 (g)  $(f \circ (s_c \circ r))'(x) = -cf'(-cx)$   
 (h)  $(f \circ (r \circ t_c))'(x) = -f'(-(x+c))$
- (2) (a)  $f'(x) = 3\sqrt[3]{1+x^2} + \frac{2x^2}{\sqrt[3]{(1+x^2)^2}}$   
 (b)  $f'(x) = \ln x + 1$   
 (c)  $f'(x) = -2xe^{x^2+1} \sin(e^{x^2+1})$   
 (d)  $f'(x) = \frac{12}{(4x-1)^4}$   
 (e)  $f'(x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x(1-x)}}$   
 (f)  $f'(x) = \tan(x^3) + 3x^3(1 + \tan^2(x^3))$
- (3) (a)  $y = \frac{3}{4}x - \frac{3}{2} + \ln 4$   
 (b)  $y = \frac{1}{2}$   
 (c)  $y = ex + e$   
 (d)  $y = \pi^2 x - \pi$
- (4)  $f'(x) = 10x^4 + 3x^2 + 5 > 0$  for all  $x$ , so  $f$  is strictly increasing and invertible. Since  $f(0) = 0$  and  $f(1) = 8$ , the inverse satisfies  $f^{-1}(0) = 0$ ,  $f^{-1}(8) = 1$ . By the inverse function theorem:

$$(f^{-1})'(0) = \frac{1}{f'(0)} = \frac{1}{5}, \quad (f^{-1})'(8) = \frac{1}{f'(1)} = \frac{1}{18}.$$

- (5) (a) The function satisfies

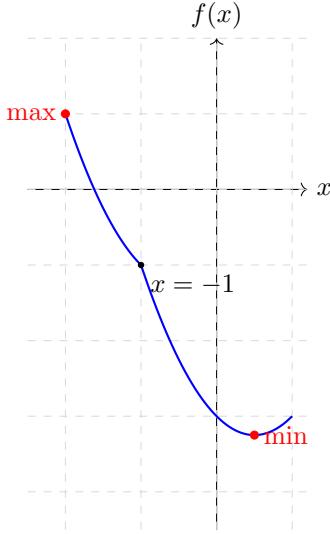
$$f'(x) = \cos x - \sin x = \sqrt{2} \cos\left(x + \frac{\pi}{4}\right),$$

so the maximum equals  $\sqrt{2}$  at  $x = \frac{\pi}{4}$  and the minimum equals  $-\sqrt{2}$  at  $x = \frac{5\pi}{4}$ .

- (b) For  $x < -1$ ,  $f(x) = x^2 + x - 1$ ; for  $x \geq -1$ ,  $f(x) = x^2 - x - 3$ . The only critical point occurs at  $x = \frac{1}{2}$ . Evaluating the function:

$$f(-2) = 1, \quad f(-1) = -1, \quad f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = -\frac{13}{4}, \quad f(1) = -3.$$

Thus the maximum is 1 at  $x = -2$ , and the minimum is  $-\frac{13}{4}$  at  $x = \frac{1}{2}$ .



(6) Domain:  $x > -2$ .

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{x+2} + \frac{2}{(x+2)^2} = \frac{x+4}{(x+2)^2} > 0 \quad \text{for all } x > -2.$$

Hence  $f$  is strictly increasing on  $(-2, \infty)$ . Since  $f(-1) = 0$ , the function has a unique zero at  $x_0 = -1$ .

(7) Consider

$$f(x) = \frac{x \ln x - 1}{x^2}, \quad x > 0.$$

(a) **Zeroes:** Solve  $f(x) = 0$ :

$$\frac{x \ln x - 1}{x^2} = 0 \implies x \ln x = 1.$$

The function  $x \ln x$  is strictly increasing for  $x > 1$ , and  $1 \ln 1 = 0 < 1$ ,  $e \ln e = e > 1$ . Hence there is exactly one solution  $x_0 \in (1, e)$ .

(b) **Critical points:** Compute the derivative

$$f'(x) = \frac{-x \ln x + x + 2}{x^3}.$$

It vanishes when the numerator

$$h(x) = -x \ln x + x + 2$$

is zero.

Notice that  $h'(x) = -\ln x$ :

- For  $x \in (0, 1)$ ,  $\ln x < 0 \implies h'(x) > 0$  (increasing),
- For  $x \in (1, \infty)$ ,  $\ln x > 0 \implies h'(x) < 0$  (decreasing).

Evaluate  $h$  at two points to locate the zero:

$$h(e) = -e \cdot 1 + e + 2 = 2 > 0, \quad h(e^2) = -e^2 \cdot 2 + e^2 + 2 = -e^2 + 2 < 0.$$

Since  $h(x)$  is continuous and strictly decreasing on  $(1, \infty)$ , there is exactly one  $x_c \in (e, e^2)$  where  $h(x_c) = 0$ . Hence  $f'(x_c) = 0$ , giving a unique critical point in  $(e, e^2)$ .