

If the limit does not exist or has an infinite limit, you should point it out. In addition, do not use the L'Hôpital's rule to solve the limit problem.

1. (20%) Find the following limit. (If the limit does not exist or has an infinite limit, you should point it out)

(a)  $\frac{x^2-2x-8}{x^2+3x+2}$

(b)  $\frac{2\sin(x^2)}{1-\cos(x)}$

(c)  $\frac{1}{x}\left(x + \frac{2}{x}\right)$

(d)  $\frac{\sqrt{1+x}-1}{|x^2+x|}$

Ans:

(a)  $\frac{x^2-2x-8}{x^2+3x+2} = \frac{(x+2)(x-4)}{(x+2)(x+1)} = \frac{(x-4)}{(x+1)} = 6$

(b)  $\frac{2\sin(x^2)}{1-\cos(x)} = \frac{2\sin(x^2)(1+\cos(x))}{(1-\cos(x))(1+\cos(x))} = \frac{(x^2)(1+\cos(x))}{\sin^2 x} =$   
 $\frac{(x^2)x^2(1+\cos(x))}{x^2 \sin^2 x} = \frac{(x^2)}{x^2} \frac{x}{\sin(x)} \frac{x}{\sin(x)} (1+\cos(x)) =$   
 $2 \frac{\sin(t)}{t} \frac{x}{\sin(x)} \frac{x}{\sin(x)} (1+\cos(x)) \text{ (Let } t = x^2) = 4$

(c) For any  $x > 0, -2 \leq x + \frac{2}{x} \leq 2 \Rightarrow -\frac{2}{x} \leq \frac{1}{x}\left(x + \frac{2}{x}\right) \leq \frac{2}{x}$ ,

In addition,  $-\frac{2}{x} = 0$  and  $\frac{2}{x} = 0$

According to Squeeze theorem,  $\frac{1}{x}\left(x + \frac{2}{x}\right) = 0$

(d)  $\frac{\sqrt{1+x}-1}{|x^2+x|} = \frac{(\sqrt{1+x}-1)(\sqrt{1+x}+1)}{(x^2+x)(\sqrt{1+x}+1)} = \frac{x}{(x^2+x)(\sqrt{1+x}+1)} = \frac{1}{(x+1)(\sqrt{1+x}+1)} = \frac{1}{2}$   
 $\frac{\sqrt{1+x}-1}{|x^2+x|} = \frac{(\sqrt{1+x}-1)(\sqrt{1+x}+1)}{-(x^2+x)(\sqrt{1+x}+1)} = \frac{x}{-(x^2+x)(\sqrt{1+x}+1)}$   
 $= \frac{1}{-(x+1)(\sqrt{1+x}+1)} = -\frac{1}{2}$

Therefore, the limit does not exist!

2. (8%)

Suppose  $f(x) = \begin{cases} -ax^2 - x - a & \text{if } x < -1 \\ ax^2 + bx + 6 & \text{if } -1 \leq x < 2 \\ 3x^2 - bx - b & \text{if } x \geq 2 \end{cases}$  is a continuous function on  $(-\infty, \infty)$ . What are the values of  $a$  and  $b$ ?

Ans:

(a)

Since  $f$  is continuous at -1, we know  $f(x) = f(x)$ . Therefore,  $-ax^2 - x - a = ax^2 + bx + 6 \rightarrow -a + 1 - a = a - b + 6 \rightarrow 3a - b = -5$ .

On the other hand,  $f$  is continuous at 2, we know  $f(x) = f(x)$ . Therefore,  $ax^2 + bx + 6 = 3x^2 - bx - b \rightarrow 4a + 2b + 6 = 12 - 2b - b \rightarrow 4a + 5b = 6$ .

Solving the two equations we get  $a = -1, b = 2$

3. (8%) Proof that  $f(x) = 3x^3 + 2x - \sin(x)$  has exactly one real root. (Hint:

use the mean value theorem)

Ans:

$f(1) > 0, f(-1) < 0$  by the intermediate value theorem, it has at least one real root between  $-1$  and  $0$ .

Assume the real root is  $a$  and there is a second real root  $b$ . Then, by the mean value theorem, there is a  $c$  such that  $f'(c) = \frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a} = 0$ . However,  $f'(x) = 9x^2 + 2 - \cos(x) > 0$ . Contradict, therefore, there is only one real root.

4. (15%) Remember that you can solve the derivative using the definition or the differentiation rule for the following question.

(a) Find the derivative of  $f(x) = \sqrt{1 + \cot(x^2)}$

(b) Given  $f(x) = \frac{x^2}{(0-x)(1-x)(2-x)\dots(2023-x)}$ , what is the value of  $f'(0)$ ?

(c) Let  $f(x) = \begin{cases} \cos \cos(2x) & \text{if } x \leq 0 \\ ax & \text{if } x > 0 \end{cases}$ , where  $a$  is a constant. Find the value of  $a$  makes  $f(x)$  differentiable at  $0$ .

Ans:

(a)  $f(x) = \sqrt{1 + \cot(x^2)} = (1 + \cot(x^2))^{\frac{1}{2}} \rightarrow f'(x) = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \cot(x^2))^{-\frac{1}{2}}(-\csc^2(x^2))2x = -\frac{\csc^2(x^2) \cdot x}{\sqrt{1 + \cot(x^2)}}$

(b)  $f'(0) = \frac{f(0+\Delta x) - f(0)}{\Delta x} = \frac{\frac{(\Delta x)^2}{-\Delta x(1-\Delta x)(2-\Delta x)\dots(2023-\Delta x)} - 0}{\Delta x} = \frac{-1}{(1-\Delta x)(2-\Delta x)\dots(2023-\Delta x)} = \frac{-1}{2023!}$

(c) Since  $f(x)$  is not continuous at  $0$ , there is no value of  $a$  that can make it differentiable.

5. (8%) Given the graph  $x^2 + xy + y^2 = 12$ .

(a) Express  $y'$  in terms of  $x$  and  $y$

(b) Find the extrema of the graph by checking the critical number

Ans:

(a)  $\frac{d}{dx}(x^2 + xy + y^2) = \frac{d}{dx}(12)$

$$2x + x \frac{dy}{dx} + y + 2y \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$(x + 2y) \frac{dy}{dx} = -2x - y$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-2x - y}{(x + 2y)}$$

(b) The critical number occurs at  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$  or  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  does not exist

When  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \rightarrow y = -2x$ , substitute back to the original equation we get  $x = \pm 2, y = \mp 4$

When  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  does not exist,  $x = -2y$ , substitute back to the original equation we get  $x = \mp 4, y = \pm 2$

Therefore, the graph has maximum at  $(-2, 4)$  at minimum at  $(2, -4)$

6. (20%) Let  $f(x) = \frac{-x^2 - 4x - 7}{x+3}$

- Find the open intervals on which  $f$  is increasing or decreasing. Indicates the extreme values
- Find the open intervals on which  $f$  is concave upward or concave downward. Indicates the points of inflection
- Find all the asymptotes (Vertical/horizontal/Slant)
- Sketch the graph of  $f(x)$
- What is the domain and range of  $f(x)$ ?

Ans: Note that the original function is undefined at  $x = -3$ , therefore we should include it in the following table.

(a)

$$(b) f(x) = \frac{-x^2-4x-7}{x+3}, f'(x) = \frac{-(x+1)(x+5)}{(x+3)^2}, f''(x) = \frac{-8}{(x+3)^3}$$

	$(-\infty, -5)$	$(-5, -3)$	$(-3, -1)$	$(-1, \infty)$
測試值	-6	-4	-2	0
$f'$ 的正負號	-	+	+	-
$f''$ 的正負號	+	+	-	-
結論	遞減/向上凹	遞增/向上凹	遞增/向下凹	遞減/向下凹

The critical numbers are  $x = -1, -5$ .  $f$  is increasing on  $(-5, -3)$  and  $(-3, -1)$  since  $f'(x) > 0$ ,  $f$  is decreasing on  $(-\infty, -5)$  and  $(-1, \infty)$  since  $f'(x) < 0$ . Local (global) maxima is  $(-5, 6)$  and local (global) minima is  $(-1, -2)$ .

There are no possible points of inflection.  $f$  is concave downward on  $(-3, \infty)$  since  $f''(x) < 0$ ,  $f$  is concave upward on  $(-\infty, -3)$  since  $f''(x) > 0$ .

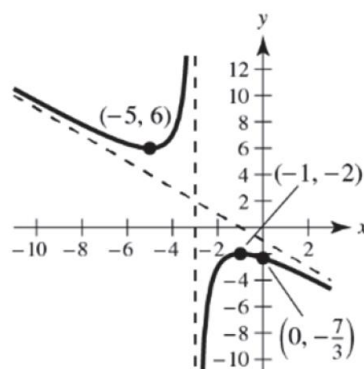
(c) Since  $f(x) = \pm\infty \rightarrow$  No horizontal asymptote

Since  $f(x) = -\infty$  and  $f(x) = \infty$  vertical asymptote at  $x = -3$

$$\frac{-x^2-4x-7}{x+3} = -x - 1 - \frac{4}{x+3} \text{ (Using long division)}$$

$$f(x) - (-x - 1 - \frac{4}{x+3}) = 0 \rightarrow y = -x - 1 \text{ is a slant asymptote}$$

(d)



(e) Domain is entire real line except  $-3$ . Range is  $(-\infty, -2] \cup [6, \infty)$ .

7. (15%) Evaluate the following expression. Remember the meaning and the definition of definite integral when solving the following question

$$(a) \int 3x - \frac{6}{x^3} + 5 \sec \sec(x) \tan(x) dx$$

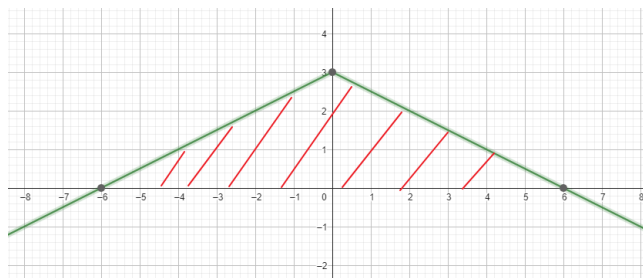
$$(b) \int_{-6}^6 3 - \left| \frac{x}{2} \right| dx$$

$$(c) \frac{2^5}{n^5} (1^4 + 2^4 + 3^4 + \dots + (2n)^4)$$

Ans:

(a)  $\frac{3x^2}{2} + \frac{3}{x^2} + 5 \sec \sec(x) + C$

(b)  $\int_{-6}^6 3 - \left|\frac{x}{2}\right| dx$  can be considered as the area in the following graph colored with red slash



Therefore,  $\int_{-6}^6 3 - \left|\frac{x}{2}\right| dx = \frac{1}{2} 12 \times 3 = 18$

(c)  $\frac{1}{n} \left( \frac{1^4 + 2^4 + 3^4 + \dots + (2n)^4}{n^4} \right) = 2^5 \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{i}{n}\right)^4 + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=n+1}^{2n} \left(\frac{i}{n}\right)^4 = 2^5 \left( \int_0^1 x^4 dx + \int_1^2 x^4 dx \right) = 2^5 \left[ \frac{1}{5} x^5 \right]_0^2 = \frac{2^{10}}{5}$

8. (8%) Find  $\frac{d}{dx} \int_x^{x^2} \sqrt{1+t^2} dt$ . (Hint: Let  $F(x) = \int_1^x \sqrt{1+t^2} dt$  and use the fundamental theorem of calculus)

Ans: Let  $F(x) = \int_1^x \sqrt{1+t^2} dt$ , since  $\sqrt{1+t^2}$  is continuous, by the fundamental theorem of calculus,  $F'(x) = \sqrt{1+x^2}$ . Also  $F(b) - F(a) = \int_a^b \sqrt{1+t^2} dt, a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ , therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} \int_x^{x^2} \sqrt{1+t^2} dt &= \frac{d}{dx} \left[ \int_x^1 \sqrt{1+t^2} dt + \int_1^{x^2} \sqrt{1+t^2} dt \right] \\ &= -\sqrt{1+x^2} + 2x\sqrt{1+x^2} \end{aligned}$$

9. (8%) Find  $\int_{-\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \left( \frac{\sqrt{1+\tan(t)}}{\cos^2(t)} + t^3 \sin^2(t) \right) dt$ .

Ans:

Note that  $t^3 \sin^2(t)$  is an odd function, so we only need to deal with the first term.

Let  $u = 1 + \tan(t) \rightarrow du = \sec^2(t) dt$

$$\int_{-\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \left( \frac{\sqrt{1+\tan(t)}}{\cos^2(t)} + t^3 \sin^2(t) \right) dt = \int_0^2 \sqrt{u} du = \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{3}$$