MATH 221, Week 9

1 Intermediate Value Theorem

State the intermediate value theorem and use it to prove the following functions have a zero in the given interval:

(a)
$$x^4 - 5x^3 + 3x^2 - 1$$
 on the interval $4 \le x \le 5$

(b)
$$2^x - 3^x + (x+1)^2$$
 on the interval $2 \le x \le 3$ (2^x and 3^x are continuous)

2 Max and Min!

Find all the critical points of the following function on the interval $-3 \le x \le 4$ and determine which are global or local max/min or neither:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -x & x \le 0 \\ x & 0 < x \le 1 \\ 1 & 1 < x \le 2 \\ x - 1 & 2 < x \le 3 \\ -x + 5 & 3 < x \end{cases}$$

(Hint: It will be a very good idea to graph this).

3 Graph Sketching

For the following functions do all of the following (you'll probably need to use another sheet of paper):

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- (a) Find all zeroes of the function
- (b) Find the first and second derivatives
- (c) Classify where it is increasing and decreasing

(a)
$$f(x) = x^4 - 4x^3$$

(b)
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2 - 9}$$

(c)
$$f(x) = x - 3x^{1/2}$$

(d)
$$f(x) = \frac{4x}{x^2+1}$$

(e)
$$f(x) = x\sqrt{4 - x^2}$$

(f) Put all of this together and sketch the graph!

(e) Compute all asymptotes

(d) Classify where it is concave up and concave down