

EXAMINATION COVERSHEET

Autumn 2023 Quiz 1



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Time Permitted to Write Exam:	1 Hour
Total Number of Questions:	5 written questions
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INSTRUCTIONS TO STUDENTS FOR THE EXAM

1. Please note that subject lecturer/tutor will be unavailable during exams. If there is a doubt in any of the exam questions i.e. problem solving etc. students should proceed by assuming values etc. Students should mention their assumption on the question paper.
2. Answers must be written (and drawn) in black or blue ink.
3. Any mistakes must be crossed out. Whitener and ink erasers must not be used.
4. Answer ALL/ 5 questions. The marks for each question are shown next to each question.
5. Total marks: 40.



(10pts) **Problem 1**

A) Evaluate the following limits

$$(a) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x - x}{x^2} \qquad (b) \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{2x|x| + 5x + 1}{3x^2 + x - 2}$$

Solution

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x - x}{x^2} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos x - 1}{2x} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-\sin x}{2} \\ &= 0 \quad \textbf{(3pts)} \end{aligned}$$

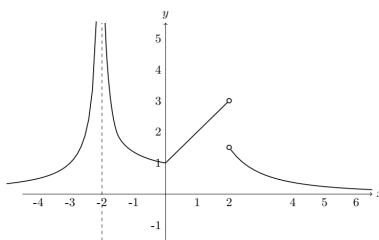
(b)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{2x|x| + 5x + 1}{3x^2 + x - 2}$$

Note that $x \rightarrow -\infty \Rightarrow x < 0$ and $|x| = -x$.

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{2x|x| + 5x + 1}{3x^2 + x - 2} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{-2x^2 + 5x + 1}{3x^2 + x - 2} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{-2x^2}{3x^2} \\ &= -\frac{2}{3} = -0.666\,67 \quad \textbf{(3pts)} \end{aligned}$$

B) Given the graph of the function $y = f(x)$ below find:



1. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^-} f(x) = +\infty$ **(1pt)**
2. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} f(x) = +\infty$ **(1pt)**
3. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x) = 3$ **(1pt)**
4. $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} f(x) = 0$ **(1pt)**

(6pts)**Problem 2**

Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ for

(a) $y = (x^4 - x)^4$

(b) $y^2x + yx^2 = 3$

Solution

(a)

$$y = (x^4 - x)^4$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 4(4x^3 - 1)(x^4 - x)^3 \quad \textbf{(3pts)}$$

(b)

$$y^2x + yx^2 = 3$$

$$2yy'x + y^2 + y'x^2 + 2xy = 0$$

$$2yy'x + y'x^2 = -y^2 - 2xy$$

$$y' = -\frac{1}{2xy + x^2}(2xy + y^2) \quad \textbf{(3pts)}$$

(8pts) **Problem 3**

Find the absolute extrema of the function $f(x) = \frac{3}{4}x^4 + \frac{2}{3}x^3 - \frac{1}{2}x^2 - 2$ on the interval $[-1, 1]$.

Solution

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

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= 3x^3 + 2x^2 - x && \textbf{(3pts)} \\ &= x(x+1)(3x-1) \end{aligned}$$

The critical numbers are 0, -1 and $\frac{1}{3}$. **(3pts)**

$$f(0) = -2$$

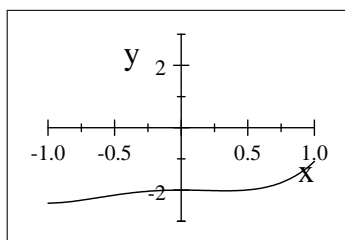
$$\begin{aligned} f(-1) &= \frac{3}{4} - \frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{2} - 2 \\ &= -\frac{29}{12} = -2.416\overline{7} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) &= \frac{3}{4}\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^4 + \frac{2}{3}\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^3 - \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 - 2 \\ &= -\frac{655}{324} = -2.021\overline{6} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(1) &= \frac{3}{4} + \frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{2} - 2 \\ &= -\frac{13}{12} = -1.083\overline{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Absolute Maximum} = -\frac{13}{12} = -1.083\overline{3} \quad \textbf{(1pt)}$$

$$\text{Absolute Minimum} = -\frac{29}{12} = -2.416\overline{7} \quad \textbf{(1pt)}$$



(8pts)**Problem 4**

The length of a rectangle of constant area 800 square millimeters is increasing at the rate of 4 millimeters per second. What is the width of the rectangle at the moment the width is decreasing at the rate of 0.5 millimeter per second?

Solution

Let ℓ be the length and w the width.

The area

$$800 = \ell w \quad (\text{related equation}) \quad (2\text{pts})$$

Differentiating,

$$0 = \frac{dw}{dt}\ell + \frac{d\ell}{dt}w \quad (\text{related rate equation}) \quad (2\text{pts})$$

We are given that

$$\frac{d\ell}{dt} = 4.$$

We want to find w when $\frac{dw}{dt} = -0.5$.

From the related rate equation we obtain

$$-0.5\ell + 4w = 0. \quad (2\text{pts})$$

Now using the fact that

$$800 = \ell w \Rightarrow \ell = \frac{800}{w},$$

$-0.5\ell + 4w = 0$ becomes

$$-0.5 \left(\frac{800}{w} \right) + 4w = 0 \Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{w} (4w^2 - 400.0) = 0$$

$$w^2 = 100, \quad w = 10 \text{ mm.} \quad (2\text{pts})$$

(8pts)**Problem 5**

Use the second derivative test to find the local extrema of the function

$$f(x) = x(x-1)^3.$$

Solution

$$f(x) = x(x-1)^3.$$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= (x-1)^3 + 3x(x-1)^2 & (\mathbf{2pts}) \\ &= (4x-1)(x-1)^2 \end{aligned}$$

The critical numbers are $[x=1]$ and $\left[x=\frac{1}{4}\right]$. **(2pts)**

$$\begin{aligned} f''(x) &= 4(x-1)^2 + (2x-2)(4x-1) \\ &= 12x^2 - 18x + 6 \end{aligned}$$

$f''(1) = 12 - 18 + 6 = 0$. The test is not conclusif at $x = 1$. **(2pts)**

$$\begin{aligned} f''\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) &= 4\left(\frac{1}{4} - 1\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2} - 2\right)(1 - 1) \\ &= \frac{9}{4} > 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) &= \frac{1}{4}\left(\frac{1}{4} - 1\right)^3 \\ &= -\frac{27}{256} = -0.10547 \text{ is a local minimum.} & (\mathbf{2pts}) \end{aligned}$$

