

3/1/2011: First midterm exam

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- You have 90 minutes time to complete your work.

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Problem 1) TF questions (20 points) No justifications are needed.

- 1) T F The function $\arcsin(x)$ is defined as $1/\sin(x)$.

Solution:

The arcsin function is the inverse not the reciprocal of $\sin(x)$.

- 2) T F The function $f(x) = \sin(1/x^2)$ can be defined at 0 so that it becomes a continuous everywhere on the real line.

Solution:

This is the prototype oscillatory singularity.

- 3) T F The function $x/\sin(x)$ can be defined at $x = 0$ so that it becomes a continuous function on the real line.

Solution:

The value is 1 at 0 by the fundamental theorem of trigonometry. It can not be made continuous on the entire real line because at $\pi, 2\pi$ etc the function can not be saved.

- 4) T F The function $f(x) = \sin^2(x)/x^2$ has the limit 1 at $x = 0$.

Solution:

Yes, it is the square or the *sinc* function.

- 5) T F The function $f(x) = 1/\log|x|$ has the limit 1 at $x = 0$.

Solution:

l'Hopital gives 0, not 1.

- 6) T F The function $f(x) = (1+h)^{x/h}$ has the property that $Df(x) = [f(x+h) - f(x)]/h = f(x)$.

Solution:

We have seen that several time in this course and done in the homework.

- 7) T F $\cos(3\pi/2) = 1$.

Solution:

Draw the circle. The angle $3\pi/2$ corresponds to 270 degrees. The cosine is the x value and so zero.

- 8) T F If a function f is continuous on the interval $[3, 10]$, then it has a global maximum on this interval.

Solution:

This is a consequence of the extreme value theorem.

- 9) T F The reciprocal rule assures that $d/dx(1/g(x)) = 1/g(x)^2$.

Solution:

The minus sign is missing.

- 10) T F If $f(0) = g(0) = f'(0) = g'(0) = 0$ and $g''(0) = f''(0) = 1$, then $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0}(f(x)/g(x)) = 1$

Solution:

This is a consequence of l'Hopital's rule when applied twice.

- 11) T F An inflection point is a point where the function $f''(x)$ changes sign.

Solution:

This is a definition.

- 12) T F If $f''(x) > 0$ then f is concave up at x .

Solution:

The slope of the tangent increases which produces a concave up graph. One can define concave up with the property $f''(x) > 0$

- 13) T F The chain rule assures that $d/dxf(g(x)) = f'(x)g'(x)$.

Solution:

This is not true. We have $f'(g(x))$ in the first factor.

- 14) T F The function $f(x) = 1/x + \log(x)$ is continuous on the interval $[1, 2]$.

Solution:

While there is a problem at 0, everything is nice and dandy at $[1, 2]$.

- 15) T F If we perform the Newton step for the function $\exp(x)$, we get the map $T(x) = x - 1$.

Solution:

The exponential function is its own derivative so that $f(x)/f'(x) = 1$.

- 16) T F The graph of the function $f(x) = x/(1+x^2)$ has slope 1 at 0.

Solution:

$f'(x) = 1/(1+x^2) - 2x^2/(1+x^2)^2$. This is 1 for $x = 0$.

- 17) T F There is a differentiable function for which $f'(0) = 0$ but for which 0 is not a local extremum.

Solution:

Take $f(x) = x^3$.

- 18) T F The second derivative test assures that $x = p$ is a local minimum if $f'(p) = 0$ and $f''(p) < 0$.

Solution:

It is $f''(x) > 0$.

- 19) T F The identity $(x^7 - 1)/(x - 1) = x^6 + x^5 + x^4 + x^3 + x^2 + x + 1$ holds for all $x \neq 1$.

Solution:

Multiply out to see it.

- 20) T F The slope of the tangent at a point $(x, f(x))$ of the graph of a differentiable function f is equal to $1/f'(x)$.

Solution:

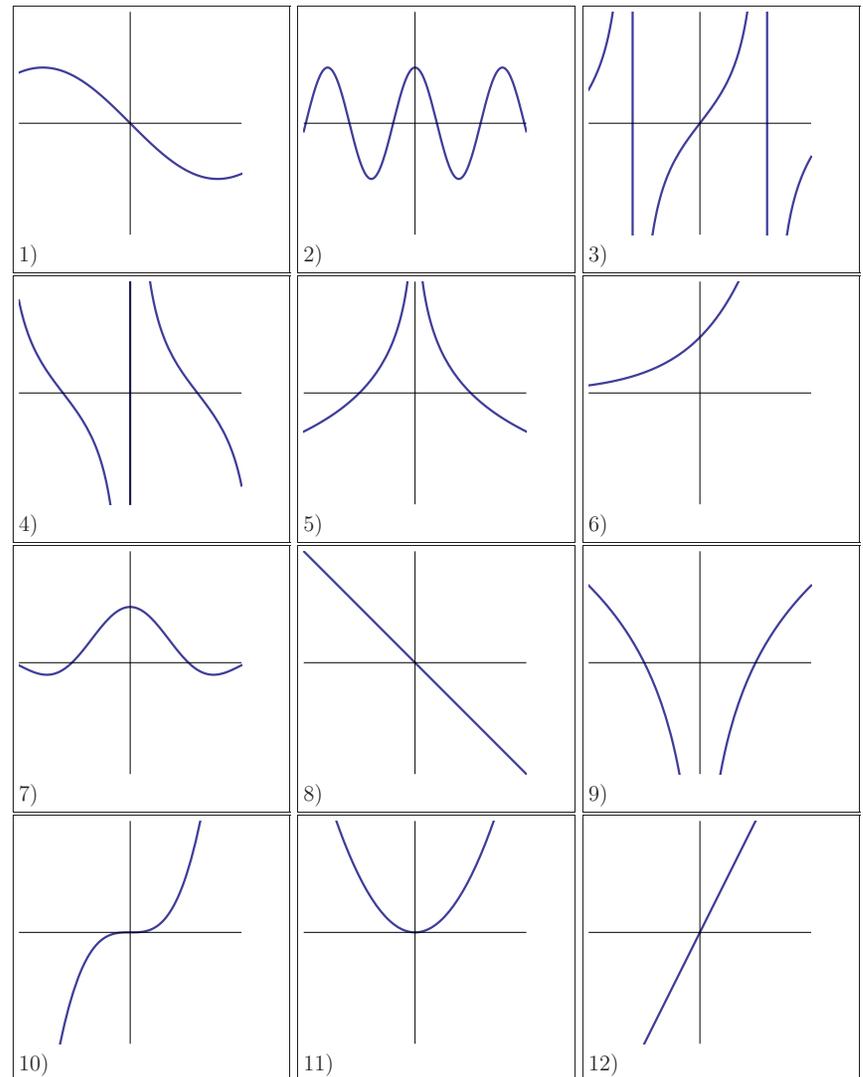
The slope is $f'(x)$ not $1/f'(x)$.

Problem 2) Matching problem (10 points) No justifications are needed.

Match the functions with the graphs. Naturally, only 10 of the 12 graphs will appear.

Function	Enter 1-12
$\cot(x)$	
$\cos(2x)$	
$2x$	
$\tan(x)$	
$\log(1/ x)$	

Function	Enter 1-12
x^2	
$\exp(x)$	
$-\sin(x)$	
x^3	
$\text{sinc}(x)$	



Solution:

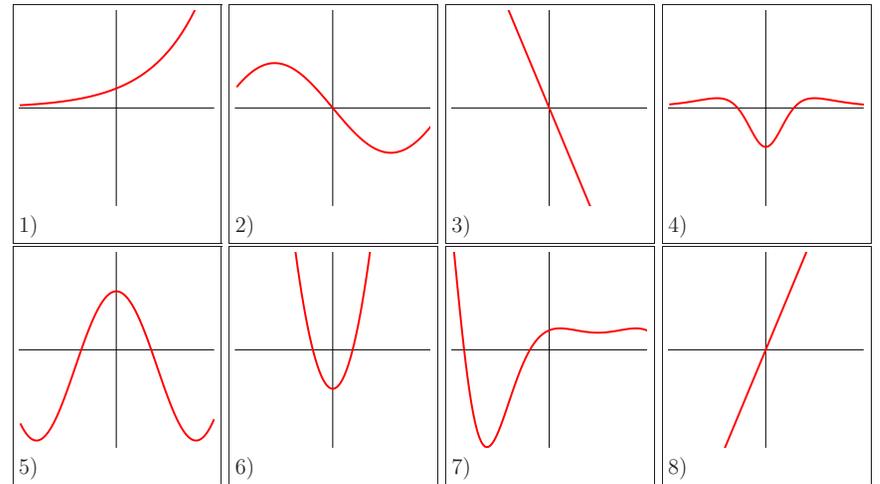
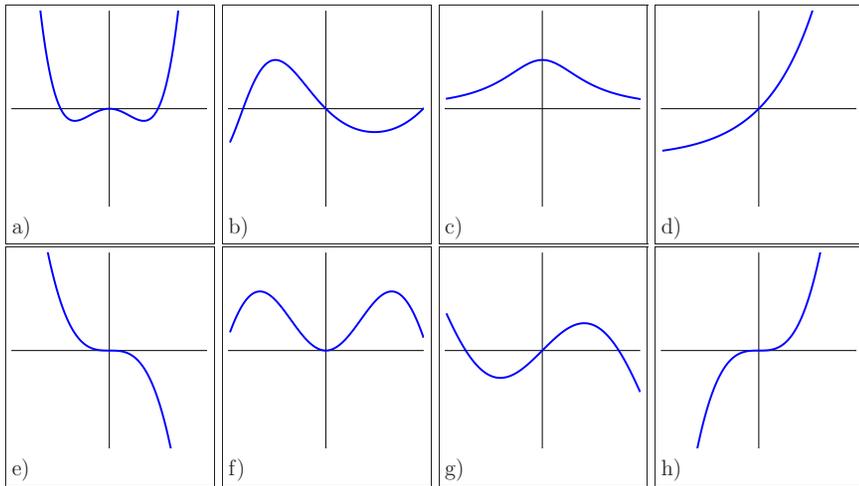
Function	Enter 1-12
$\cot(x)$	4
$\cos(2x)$	2
$2x$	12
$\tan(x)$	3
$\log(1/ x)$	5

Function	Enter 1-12
x^2	11
$\exp(x)$	6
$-\sin(x)$	1
x^3	10
$\text{sinc}(x)$	7

Problem 3) Matching problem (10 points) No justifications are needed.

Match the graph of the functions f in $a) - h)$ with the second derivatives f'' in 1)-8).

Function	Second derivative (Enter 1- 8 here)
a)	
b)	
c)	
d)	
e)	
f)	
g)	
h)	



Solution:

Function	Solution
a)	6 or 4
b)	7
c)	4 or 6
d)	1
e)	3
f)	5
g)	2
h)	8

Both 6,7,4 and 4,7,6 are possible.

Problem 4) Continuity (10 points)

Some of the following functions might a priori not be defined yet at the point a . In each case, decide whether f can be made a continuous function by assigning a value $f(a)$ at the point a . If no such value exist, state that the function is not continuous.

a) (2 points) $f(x) = \frac{x^3-1}{(x-1)}$, $a = 1$

b) (2 points) $f(x) = \sin(\frac{1}{x}) + \cos(x)$, $a = 0$

c) (2 points) $f(x) = \sin(\frac{1}{\log(|x|)})$, $a = 0$

d) (2 points) $f(x) = \log(|\sin(x)|)$, $a = 0$

e) (2 points) $f(x) = \frac{(x-1)}{x}$, $a = 0$

Solution:

- a) Heal the function by dividing out $(x - 1)$. For $x \neq 1$ we get $x^2 + x + 1$. At $x = 0$ we have $\boxed{3}$.
- b) The function contains the prototype $\sin(1/x)$ function, which has $\boxed{\text{no limit}}$ at $x = 0$.
- c) We had seen in class that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} 1/\log|x| = 0$ because $\log|x| \rightarrow -\infty$. Therefore $\sin(1/\log|x|) \rightarrow 0$. Assigning the value $f(0) = 0$ makes the function continuous.
- d) The function can be hopelessly discontinuous at $x = 0$. For $|x| \rightarrow 0$ we have $\sin(x) \rightarrow 0$ and $\log|\sin(x)| \rightarrow -\infty$.
- e) We can write this as $1 - 1/x$. This is a prototype case $1/x$ where the function converges to ∞ .

Problem 5) Chain rule (10 points)

- a) (2 points) Write $1 + \cot^2(x)$ as an expression which only involves the function $\sin(x)$.
- b) (3 points) Find the derivative of the function $\operatorname{arccot}(x)$ by using the chain rule for

$$\cot(\operatorname{arccot}(x)) = x .$$

- c) (2 points) Write $1 + \tan^2(x)$ as an expression which only involves the function $\cos(x)$.
- d) (3 points) Find the derivative of the function $\operatorname{arctan}(x)$ by using the chain rule for

$$\tan(\operatorname{arctan}(x)) = x .$$

Remark: even if you should know the derivatives of arccot or arctan , we want to see the derivations in b) and d).

Solution:

- We have done a),b) in homework problem 3) of Lecture 10.
- a) $1 + \cot^2(x) = 1 + \cos^2(x)/\sin^2(x) = (\sin^2(x) + \cos^2(x))/\sin^2(x) = 1/\sin^2(x)$.
- b) $\cot'(x) = 1/\sin^2(x) = 1 + \cot^2(x)$ implies $(1 + \cot^2(\operatorname{arccot}(x)))\operatorname{arccot}'(x) = 1$ and so $\operatorname{arccot}'(x) = 1/(1 + x^2)$.
- We have done c),d) in class (on the side blackboard).
- c) $1 + \tan^2(x) = 1 + \sin^2(x)/\cos^2(x) = 1/\cos^2(x)$.
- d) $d/dx \cot(\operatorname{arccot}(x)) = (1/\cos^2(\operatorname{arccot}(x)))\operatorname{arccot}'(x) = (1 + \cot^2(\operatorname{arccot}(x)))\operatorname{arccot}'(x) = 1$. Therefore, $\operatorname{arccot}'(x) = -1/(1 + x^2)$.
- We will come back to this later in the course.

Problem 6) Derivatives (10 points)

Find the derivatives of the following functions:

- a) (2 points) $f(x) = \frac{\cos(3x)}{\cos(x)}$
- b) (2 points) $f(x) = \sin^2(x) \log(1 + x^2)$
- c) (2 points) $f(x) = 5x^4 - \frac{1}{x^2+1}$
- d) (2 points) $f(x) = \tan(x) + \exp(-\sin(x^2))$
- e) (2 points) $f(x) = \frac{x^3}{(1+x^2)}$

Solution:

- a) Use the quotient rule $[-3 \sin(3x) \cos(x) + \sin(x) \cos(3x)]/\cos^2(x)$.
- b) Use the chain rule and the product rule $2 \sin(x) \cos(x) \log(1 + x^2) + 2x \sin^2(x)/(1 + x^2)$.
- c) Use the quotient and chain rule for the second summand $20x^3 + (2x)/(x^2 + 1)^2$.
- d) The second sum uses the chain rule twice $1/\cos^2(x) + e^{-\sin(x^2)}(-\cos(x^2))2x$.
- e) Use the quotient rule $(3x^2(1 + x^2) - x^3(2x))/(1 + x^2)^2$.

Problem 7) Limits (10 points)

Find the limits $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$ for the following functions f at $x = 0$ or state (providing reasoning as usual) that the limit does not exist.

- a) (2 points) $f(x) = \frac{\sin(3x)}{\sin(x)}$
- b) (2 points) $f(x) = \frac{\sin^2(x)}{x^2}$
- c) (2 points) $f(x) = \sin(\log(|x|))$
- d) (2 points) $f(x) = \tan(x) \log(x)$
- e) (2 points) $f(x) = \frac{(5x^4-1)}{(x^2+1)}$

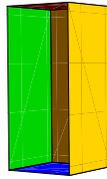
Solution:

- a) Apply l'Hopital once, to get the limit $\boxed{3}$.
- b) $\boxed{1}$ since it is the square of $\sin(x)/x$ which has limit 1. One could also use l'Hopital twice.
- c) There is $\boxed{\text{no limit}}$ because $\log(|x|)$ goes to $-\infty$ and $\sin(\log|x|)$ oscillates indefinitely.
- d) $\boxed{0}$ as we have done in class. Write as $[\sin(x) \log(x)] \cos(x)$ and $\cos(x)$ has no problem at $x = 0$. The limit $\sin(x) \log(x)$ is the same as $x \log(x)$ which we have done in class.
- e) $\boxed{-1}$. There is no problem at this point because the nominator is not zero. We can just plug in $x = 0$ and get the value.

Problem 8) Extrema (10 points)

A rectangular shoe-box of width x , length x and height y is of volume 2 so that $x^2y = 2$. The surface area adds up three rectangular parts of size $(x \times y)$ and 2 square parts of size $(x \times x)$ and leads to

$$f = 2x^2 + 3xy.$$



- (2 points) Write down the function $f(x)$ of the single variable x you want to minimize.
- (6 points) Find the value of x for which the surface area is minimal.
- (2 points) Check with the second derivative test, whether the point you found is a local minimum.

Solution:

- Solve for $y = 2/x^2$ and substitute it into f . The function is $f(x) = 2x^2 + 6/x$.
- $f'(x) = 4x - 6/x^2 = 0$ for $3x^3 = 2$ so that $x = (2/3)^{1/3}$.
- $f''(x) = 4 + 12/x^3$. The second derivative is positive at the critical point. The critical point is a local minimum.

Problem 9) Global extrema (10 points)

In this problem we study the function $f(x) = 3x^5 - 5x^3$ on the interval $[-2, 2]$.

- (2 points) Find all roots of f .
- (3 points) Find all local extrema of the function.
- (3 points) Use the second derivative test to analyze the critical points, where applicable.
- (2 points) Find the **global** maximum and minimum of f on the interval $[-2, 2]$.

Solution:

- The roots are $0, 0, 0, -\sqrt{5/3}, \sqrt{5/3}$ as you can see by factoring x^3 out. The root 0 is a triple root.
- The derivative is $15x^4 - 15x^2 = 15x^2(x^2 - 1)$ which has roots at 0 and 1 and -1 . These are candidates for local extrema.
- The second derivative is $30x(2x^2 - 1)$. At $x = 0$, the second derivative is zero. The second derivative test does not apply at this point. At $x = 1$, the second derivative is positive at $x = -1$ it is negative. $x = 1$ is a local min, and $x = -1$ is a local max.
- We compare $(f(2), f(-2), f(1), f(-1), f(0)) = (56, -56, -2, 2, 0)$ to see that the global extrema are located at the boundary. The point 2 is the global maximum and the point -2 is the global minimum.