

Sunday 9 May 2010

Duration: 90 minutes

Total marks: 25

*Calculators, pagers, and telephones are NOT allowed.  
Answer all the following questions. Read each question carefully.*

1. Find an equation of the tangent line to the curve

$$x^2y^2 - 2x = 4 - 4y$$

at the point  $(2, -2)$ .

[4 marks]

2. Find the absolute extreme values of

$$f(x) = x\sqrt{4 - x^2} \quad \text{for } -1 \leq x \leq 2.$$

[4 marks]

3. Let

$$f(x) = \sin^2(x^2 - 3x + \pi/4).$$

(a) Find  $f'(x)$ .

[2 marks]

(b) Use a linear approximation to estimate  $f(0.02)$ .

[2 marks]

4. A meeting ends at 6.00 p.m. Amal leaves immediately, and drives North at a speed of 80 km/hour. Batool leaves a  $1/2$  hour later, and drives East at a speed of 120 km/hour. How fast is the distance between them increasing at 7.00 p.m.? [4 marks]

5. Use the Mean Value Theorem to show that

$$\tan(3/2) - \tan(1/2) > 1.$$

[2 marks]

6. Let

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

Find the intervals on which  $f$  is increasing or decreasing.

[2 marks]

7. A rational function  $f$  has the following properties.

- Its domain is  $(-\infty, -1) \cup (-1, \infty)$ .
- $f(-2) = 0$ ,  $f(0) = 2$ ,  $f(1) = 1$ ,  $f(2) = 3$ .
- $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1^-} f(x) = \infty$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1^+} f(x) = \infty$ .
- $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = -\infty$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \infty$ .
- $f$  is increasing on  $(-\infty, -1)$  and  $(1, \infty)$ .  
 $f$  is decreasing on  $(-1, 1)$ .
- The graph of  $f$  is concave upward on  $(-\infty, -1)$  and  $(-1, 2)$ .  
The graph of  $f$  is concave downward on  $(2, \infty)$ .

(a) Find the local maxima and minima of  $f$ , if any.

[1 mark]

(b) Find the points of inflection on the graph of  $f$ , if any.

[1 mark]

(c) Sketch the graph of  $f$ .

[3 marks]

ANSWERS

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1. By implicit differentiation,

$$2xy^2 + 2x^2y \frac{dy}{dx} - 2 = -4 \frac{dy}{dx}.$$

This gives

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1 - xy^2}{x^2y + 2}.$$

Hence, at the point  $(x, y) = (2, -2)$ , the slope of the tangent line is

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1 - 2(-2)^2}{2^2(-2) + 2} = \dots = \frac{7}{6}.$$

An equation of the tangent line in point-slope form is therefore

$$y - (-2) = \frac{7}{6}(x - 2).$$

This simplifies to

$$y = \frac{7}{6}x - \frac{13}{3} \quad \text{or} \quad 7x - 6y - 26 = 0.$$

2. By the product rule and the chain rule,

$$f'(x) = \sqrt{4 - x^2} + x \frac{-x}{\sqrt{4 - x^2}} = \dots = 2 \frac{2 - x^2}{\sqrt{4 - x^2}} = 2 \frac{(\sqrt{2} + x)(\sqrt{2} - x)}{\sqrt{(2 + x)(2 - x)}}.$$

Therefore,  $\sqrt{2}$  is the only critical number of  $f$  in the interval  $(-1, 2)$ . So, by the Extreme Value Theorem, the absolute extrema of  $f$  are at  $-1$ ,  $\sqrt{2}$  or  $2$ . Substitution shows that

$$f(-1) = -\sqrt{3}, \quad f(\sqrt{2}) = 2, \quad \text{and} \quad f(2) = 0.$$

Answer: The absolute maximum value of  $f$  is 2, and the absolute minimum value is  $-\sqrt{3}$ .

3. (a) By a double-angle formula,

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \cos(2x^2 - 6x + \pi/2).$$

Hence, by the chain rule,

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{1}{2} \sin(2x^2 - 6x + \pi/2) \frac{d}{dx}(2x^2 - 6x) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sin(2x^2 - 6x + \pi/2) (4x - 6) \\ &= (2x - 3) \sin(2x^2 - 6x + \pi/2). \end{aligned}$$

(b) The linear approximation of  $f$  at 0 is

$$f(x) \approx f(0) + f'(0)(x - 0).$$

Since,

$$f(0) = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \cos(\pi/2) = 0.5 \quad \text{and} \quad f'(0) = (-3) \sin(\pi/2) = -3,$$

this gives

$$f(0.02) \approx 0.5 - 3(0.02) = 0.44.$$

4. Let  $x$  denote the distance travelled by Amal after the meeting (in km).  
Let  $y$  denote the distance travelled by Batool after the meeting (in km).  
Let  $z$  denote the distance between Amal and Batool (in km).  
Let  $t$  denote time (in hours).  
At 7.00 p.m.,

$$x = 80(1) = 80,$$

$$y = 120\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 60,$$

$$z = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} = \sqrt{(80)^2 + (60)^2} = 20\sqrt{4^2 + 3^2} = \dots = 100,$$

and

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = \frac{x \frac{dx}{dt} + y \frac{dy}{dt}}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} = \frac{80(80) + 60(120)}{100} = 8(8) + 6(12) = \dots = 136.$$

Answer: At 7.00 p.m., the distance between Amal and Batool is increasing at a rate of 136 km/hour.

5. Since the tangent function is continuous on  $[1/2, 3/2]$  and differentiable on  $(1/2, 3/2)$ , the Mean Value Theorem implies that

$$\tan(3/2) - \tan(1/2) = \left( \frac{d}{dx} \tan x \right) \Big|_{x=c} \left( \frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \right) = \sec^2 c \quad \text{for some } c \in (1/2, 3/2).$$

However,

$$\sec c > 1 \quad \text{for every } c \in (1/2, 3/2).$$

6. The domain of  $f$  is  $(-\infty, 1) \cup (1, \infty)$ . By the quotient rule and the chain rule,

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{(2x-1)(x-1)^2 - 2(x^2-x-2)(x-1)}{(x-1)^4} \\ &= \frac{(2x-1)(x-1) - 2(x^2-x-2)}{(x-1)^3} = \dots = \frac{5-x}{(x-1)^3}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, 5 is the only critical number of  $f$ .

Interval	$(-\infty, 1)$	$(1, 5)$	$(5, \infty)$
$5 - x$	+	+	-
$x - 1$	-	+	+
$f'(x)$	-	+	-
$f$	decreasing	increasing	decreasing

Answer:  $f$  is increasing on  $(1, 5]$ , and,  $f$  is decreasing on  $(-\infty, 1)$  and  $[5, \infty)$ .

7. (a)  $f$  has a local minimum at 1 and no other local extrema.  
 (b) The graph of  $f$  has a point of inflection at  $(2, 3)$  and no others.  
 (c)

