

Math 101
Second Midterm Exam
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- The exam consists of 5 questions of equal weight.
- Read the questions carefully.
- **Solutions, not answers, get points.** Show all your work in well-organized mathematical sentences. Explain your reasoning carefully and in full.
- **What can not be read will not be read.** Write clearly and cleanly.
- Simplify your answers as far as possible unless otherwise stated.
- Calculators and dictionaries are not allowed.
- Turn off all electronic devices including your cell phones before the exam starts.

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Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	TOTAL
20	20	20	20	20	100

1. Find the asymptotes, the critical points, maxima and minima, intervals of increasing/decreasing, points of inflection, intervals of concavity of the function $f(x) = (1 + x^3)^{1/3}$. Sketch the graph of f .

SOLUTION: $y = (1 + x^3)^{1/3}$.

1. Oblique asymptote $y = x$

2. $y = 0$ for $x = -1$

3. Critical Points: $y' = x^2(1 + x^3)^{-2/3}$. Hence $x = 0$ and $x = -1$ are critical points.

4. $f(x)$ is an increasing function for all x (since y' is a square).

5. Concavity: $y'' = 2x(1 + x^3)^{-5/3}$. Hence

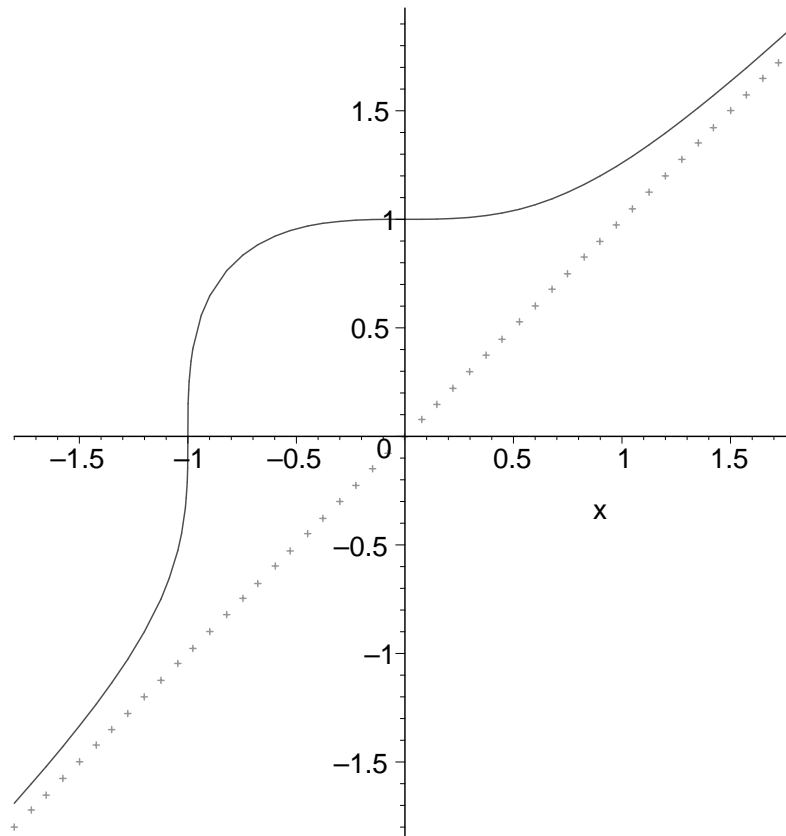
$y'' > 0$ for $x < -1$ (concave up),

$y'' < 0$ for $-1 < x < 0$ (concave down),

$y'' > 0$ for $x > 0$ (concave up)

5. Inflection points are $x = 0$ and $x = -1$. (Note that, even though $f'(-1) = \infty$, the still has a tangent at this point.)

6. Sketch of the curve:



2a. Find the limit $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \left(\frac{1}{x-1} - \frac{1}{\ln x} \right)$

SOLUTION: ($\stackrel{*}{=}$ stands for L'Hôpital's rule)

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \left(\frac{1}{x-1} - \frac{1}{\ln x} \right) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \left(\frac{\ln x - x + 1}{(x-1) \ln x} \right) \\ &\stackrel{*}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \left(\frac{1/x - 1}{\ln x + 1 - 1/x} \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \left(\frac{1-x}{x \ln x + x - 1} \right) \stackrel{*}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \left(\frac{-1}{\ln x + 1 + 1} \right) = -\frac{1}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

2b. Find the limit $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n}{n^2+1} + \frac{n}{n^2+4} + \cdots + \frac{n}{n^2+k^2} + \cdots + \frac{n}{n^2+n^2} \right)$.
(Explain what you are doing).

SOLUTION: This problem is from the homework set.

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n}{n^2+1} + \frac{n}{n^2+4} + \cdots + \frac{n}{n^2+k^2} + \cdots + \frac{n}{n^2+n^2} \right) &= \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \left(\frac{1}{1+1/n^2} + \frac{1}{1+4/n^2} + \cdots + \frac{1}{1+k^2/n^2} + \cdots + \frac{1}{1+1} \right) &= \end{aligned}$$

From the definition of definite integrals this limit is

$$\int_0^1 \frac{dx}{1+x^2} = \tan^{-1}(x) \Big|_0^1 = \frac{\pi}{4}.$$

3a. Find all functions $f(x)$ and all real numbers a such that $\int_x^a f(t) dt = 2 - 2\sqrt{x}$ for all $x > 0$. (Explain what you are doing).

SOLUTION:

- At $x = a$ we get $0 = 2 - 2\sqrt{a}$ which gives $a = 1$.
- Differentiating both sides with respect x we get

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}.$$

3b. Find the area of the region bounded by the curves $x = y^2 - 4y$ and $x = 2y - y^2$ (Explain what you are doing).

SOLUTION: To find the intersection points, solve $y^2 - 4y = 2y - y^2$. The points are $(0, 0)$ and $(3, -3)$. For the area, it is much more convenient to integrate with respect to y :

$$A(R) = \int_0^3 [2y - y^2 - (y^2 - 4y)] dy = \int_0^3 (6y - 2y^2) dy = (3y^2 - \frac{2}{3}y^3) \Big|_0^3 = 9.$$

4a. Find the volume of the solid generated by revolving the region bounded by the curves $y = 2x - x^2$ and $y = 0$ about the x -axis (Explain what you are doing).

SOLUTION: Along the x -axis, the region is bounded by 0 and 2. (Solve the equation $2x - x^2 = 0$.) Using the disk method we get the volume V of the solid generated as

$$\begin{aligned} V &= \int \pi y^2 dx = \pi \int_0^2 (2x - x^2)^2 dx = \pi \int_0^2 (4x^2 - 4x^3 + x^4) dx \\ &= \left(\frac{4}{3} x^3 - x^4 + \frac{1}{5} x^5 \right) \Big|_0^2 = \frac{16\pi}{15}. \end{aligned}$$

One can also solve this problem by using the "cylindrical shell" method". In this case we have

$$V = 2\pi \int_0^1 y(2 - 2x) dy = 4\pi \int_0^1 y(1 - x) dy = 4\pi \int_0^1 y \sqrt{1 - y} dy = \frac{16\pi}{15}$$

4b. Find the volume of the solid generated by revolving the region bounded by the curves $y = 2x - x^2$ and $y = 0$ about the y -axis (Explain what you are doing).

SOLUTION: Using the "cylindrical shell" method we get the volume V of the solid generated as

$$V = \int 2\pi xy dx = 2\pi \int_0^2 x(2x - x^2) dx = 2\pi \left(\frac{2}{3} x^3 - \frac{1}{4} x^4 \right) \Big|_0^2 = 2\pi \left(\frac{16}{3} - 4 \right) = \frac{8\pi}{3}$$

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$$V = \pi \int_0^1 [(2 - x)^2 - x^2] dy = 4\pi \int_0^1 [1 - x] dy = 4\pi \int_0^1 \sqrt{1 - y} dy = \frac{8\pi}{3}$$

5a. Find $\int \frac{x^2}{1 - x^4} dx$. (Explain what you are doing).

SOLUTION: Using partial fractions we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x^2}{1 - x^4} &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{1 - x^2} - \frac{1}{1 + x^2} \right) \\ \frac{x^2}{1 - x^4} &= \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{1}{1 - x} + \frac{1}{1 + x} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{1 + x^2} \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{x^2}{1 - x^4} dx &= \frac{1}{4} \int \frac{dx}{1 - x} + \frac{1}{4} \int \frac{dx}{1 + x} - \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{dx}{1 + x^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \ln \left| \frac{1 + x}{1 - x} \right| - \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1}(x) + C \end{aligned}$$

5b. Evaluate $\int_0^2 \sqrt{4+x^2} dx$. (Explain what you are doing).

SOLUTION: Let $x = 2 \tan \theta$, then $dx = 2 \sec^2 \theta d\theta$. Hence

$$I = \int_0^2 \sqrt{4+x^2} dx = 4 \int_0^{\pi/4} |\sec \theta| \sec^2 \theta d\theta.$$

Since $\cos \theta > 0$ for $0 < \theta < \pi/4$, then

$$I = 4 \int_0^{\pi/4} \sec^3 \theta d\theta$$

The last integral can be found by the use of integration by parts (with $u = \sec \theta$ and $dv = \sec^2 \theta d\theta$)

$$\begin{aligned} \int \sec^3 \theta d\theta &= \int \sec \theta \sec^2 \theta d\theta = \sec \theta \tan \theta - \int \sec \theta \tan^2 \theta d\theta \\ &= \sec \theta \tan \theta - \int (\sec^2 \theta - 1) \sec \theta d\theta = \sec \theta \tan \theta - \int \sec^3 \theta d\theta + \int \sec \theta d\theta \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\int \sec^3 \theta d\theta = \frac{1}{2}(\sec \theta \tan \theta + \ln|\sec \theta + \tan \theta|)$$

Finally we obtain

$$I = 4 \int_0^{\pi/4} \sec^3 \theta d\theta = 2\sqrt{2} + 2 \ln(\sqrt{2} + 1)$$