

SOLUTION TO PRACTICE PROBLEMS FOR MIDTERM 1

1. a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2 \sin 4x}{3x} = 2 \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left( \frac{\sin 4x}{4x} \right) \frac{4}{3} = \frac{8}{3}$

b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{2 \sin 4x}{3x} = \frac{2 \sin 2\pi}{\frac{3\pi}{2}} = 0$

c)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^2 + 3x - 10}{x - 2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{(x-2)(x+5)}{x-2} = 7$

d)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^2 - 4x + 8}{x - 2}$  D.N.E. b/c  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{x^2 - 4x + 8}{x - 2} = -\infty$   
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{x^2 - 4x + 8}{x - 2} = +\infty$

e)  $\lim_{a \rightarrow 3} \frac{\sqrt{a+1} - 2}{a+3} = \frac{\sqrt{4} - 2}{6} = 0$

f)  $\lim_{a \rightarrow 3} \frac{\sqrt{a+1} - 2}{a-3} = \lim_{a \rightarrow 3} \frac{(\sqrt{a+1} - 2)(\sqrt{a+1} + 2)}{(a-3)(\sqrt{a+1} + 2)} =$   
 $= \lim_{a \rightarrow 3} \frac{a+1-4}{(a-3)(\sqrt{a+1} + 2)} = \lim_{a \rightarrow 3} \frac{1}{\sqrt{a+1} + 2} = \frac{1}{4}$

g)  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} t^2 \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{t}\right) = 0$  by the Squeeze Theorem.  
↑ goes to zero      ↑ bounded

2. a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\sin x}{x} = 0$  b/c  $|\sin x| \leq 1$  is bounded.

b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{x^3 + 2x + 1}{x^2 - 1} = \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{x^3 (1 + \frac{2}{x^2} + \frac{1}{x^3})}{x^2 (1 - \frac{1}{x^2})} = +\infty$

c)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{x^3 + 2x + 1}{x^2 - 1} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{x^3 (1 + \frac{2}{x^2} + \frac{1}{x^3})}{x^2 (1 - \frac{1}{x^2})} = -\infty$

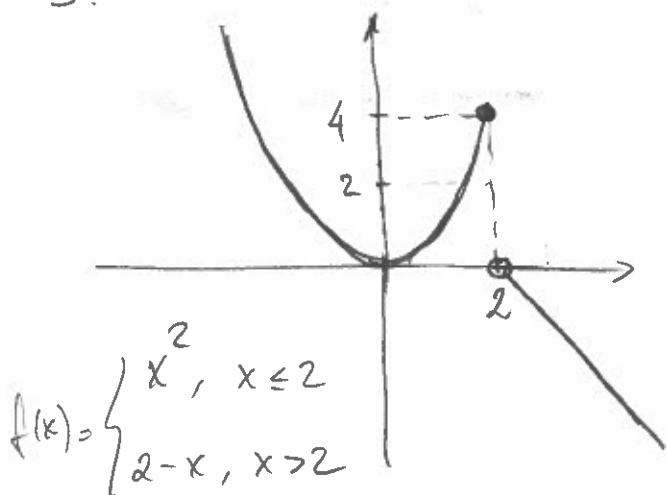
d)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{3x^5 + x^3 + x + 1}{4x^5 - x^2 - 8} = \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{x^5 (3 + \frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{x^4} + \frac{1}{x^5})}{x^5 (4 - \frac{1}{x^3} - \frac{8}{x^3})} = \frac{3}{4}$

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f)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{x^3 + 2x^2 + 1}{-2x^7 + 3x^4 + x^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{x^3 (1 + \frac{2}{x} + \frac{1}{x^3})}{x^4 (-2 + \frac{3}{x^4} + \frac{1}{x^5})} = 0$

g)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{x^3 + 2x^2 + 1}{-2x^7 + 3x^4 + x^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{x^3 (1 + \frac{2}{x} + \frac{1}{x^3})}{x^4 (-2 + \frac{3}{x^4} + \frac{1}{x^5})} = 0$

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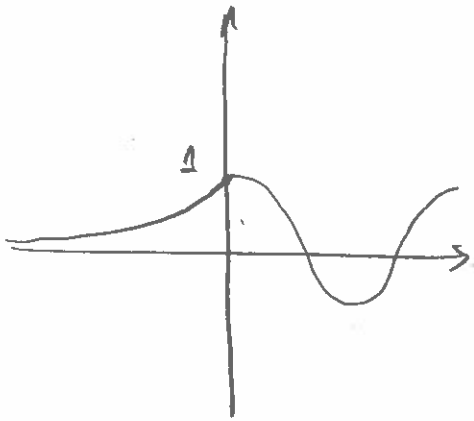


$f(x)$  is continuous at all points except for  $x=2$ , where it is discontinuous.

4.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} e^x & x \leq 0 \\ \cos x & x > 0 \end{cases}$$

$f(x)$  is continuous at all points.



5. The function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{2 \sin(ax)}{x} & \text{if } x \leq 0 \\ x + a^2 + 1 & \text{if } x > 0 \end{cases}$$

is continuous at all points  $x \neq 0$ . In order for it to be continuous at  $x = 0$ , it is necessary (and sufficient) that the lateral limits  $x \rightarrow 0_+$  and  $x \rightarrow 0_-$  agree:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0_+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0_+} x + a^2 + 1 = a^2 + 1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0_-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0_-} \frac{2 \sin(ax)}{x} = 2a \lim_{x \rightarrow 0_-} \underbrace{\frac{\sin(ax)}{ax}}_1 = 2a$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + 1 = 2a \Leftrightarrow a^2 - 2a + 1 = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (a-1)^2 = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow a = 1.$$

Thus, if  $a = 1$ , then  $f(x)$  is continuous at all points.

$$6. f(x) = 2x + 3$$

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2(x+h) + 3 - (2x+3)}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cancel{2x} + 2h + 3 - \cancel{2x} - 3}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2h}{h} = 2.$$

$$7. g(x) = 5x^2 - x$$

$$g'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(x+h) - g(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{5(x+h)^2 - (x+h) - (5x^2 - x)}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cancel{5x^2} + 10xh + 5h^2 - \cancel{x} - h - \cancel{5x^2} + \cancel{x}}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{10xh + 5h^2 - h}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 10x - 1 + 5h = 10x - 1.$$

$$8. a) f(x) = 1 + 3\pi x^4 - 2x + e^x$$

$$f'(x) = 3\pi \cdot 4x^3 - 2 + e^x = 12\pi x^3 - 2 + e^x$$

$$b) F(x) = \frac{2}{x} - \sqrt{5}x - 5\sqrt{x} + 5\cos(x-1)$$

$$F'(x) = -\frac{2}{x^2} - \sqrt{5} - \frac{5}{2\sqrt{x}} - 5\sin(x-1)$$

$$c) g(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2t+2}} - te^{2t+1} - \tan\left(4t^2 + \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

$$g'(t) = -\frac{1}{2} (2t+2)^{-3/2} \cdot 2 - \left( e^{2t+1} + te^{2t+1} \cdot 2 \right) - \sec^2\left(4t^2 + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) (8t)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{(2t+2)^{3/2}} - e^{2t+1} - 2te^{2t+1} - 8t \sec^2\left(4t^2 + \frac{\pi}{4}\right).$$

$$d) A(\theta) = 3 \sin \theta \cos \theta + e^\theta \cos 5\theta$$

$$A'(\theta) = 3 \cos^2 \theta - 3 \sin^2 \theta + e^\theta \cos 5\theta + e^\theta (-\sin 5\theta) \cdot 5$$

$$e) f(s) = \frac{e^{s^2+1} - \sin(\sqrt{s})}{s^2+1}$$

$$f'(s) = \frac{(e^{s^2+1} \cdot (2s) - \cos(\sqrt{s}) \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{s}})(s^2+1) - (e^{s^2+1} - \sin(\sqrt{s})) \cdot 2s}{(s^2+1)^2}$$

Using the computations of first derivatives in the previous exercises:

$$a) f'(0) = -2 + 1 = -1$$

$$y - 2 = -1(x - 0) \Rightarrow \boxed{y = -x + 2}$$

$$b) F'(1) = -2 - \sqrt{5} - \frac{5}{2} - 5 \frac{\sin(0)}{=0} = -\frac{9}{2} - \sqrt{5}$$

$$y - (2 - \sqrt{5}) = \left(-\frac{9}{2} - \sqrt{5}\right)(x - 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \left(-\frac{9}{2} - \sqrt{5}\right)x + 2 - \sqrt{5} + \frac{9}{2} + \sqrt{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{y = \left(-\frac{9}{2} - \sqrt{5}\right)x + \frac{13}{2}}$$

$$c) g'(0) = -\frac{1}{2^{3/2}} - e = -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} - e$$

$$y - \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - 1\right) = \left(-\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} - e\right)(x - 0) \Rightarrow \boxed{y = \left(-\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} - e\right)x + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - 1}$$

$$d) A'(0) = 3 \cos(0) - e^0 \cos 0 = 3 - 1 = 2$$

$$y - 1 = 2(x - 0) \Rightarrow \boxed{y = 2x + 1}$$

e)  $g'(s)$  is not well-defined at  $s=0$ , because there is a term  $\frac{1}{2\sqrt{s}}$  which comes from differentiating  $\sin(\sqrt{s})$ , a function which is only differentiable for  $s > 0$ .

Thus, there is no tangent line at  $(0, e)$ . [My apologies - this was not intentional...]

10.  $S(t) = t^2 - 2\sqrt{t^2+1} + e^t$  position

$$S'(t) = 2t - \frac{2}{2\sqrt{t^2+1}} \cdot 2t + e^t$$

$$= 2t - \frac{2t}{\sqrt{t^2+1}} + e^t \text{ is the velocity at time } t$$

$$S''(t) = 2 - \frac{2\sqrt{t^2+1} - 2t \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{t^2+1}} \cdot 2t}{t^2+1} + e^t$$

$$= 2 - \left( \frac{2\sqrt{t^2+1} - \frac{2t^2}{\sqrt{t^2+1}}}{t^2+1} \right) + e^t \text{ is the acceleration at time } t.$$

Thus, at time  $t=1$ ,

• the velocity is  $S'(1) = 2 - \frac{2}{\sqrt{2}} + e = \underline{\underline{2 - \sqrt{2} + e}}$

• the acceleration is  $S''(1) = 2 - \left( \frac{2\sqrt{2} - \frac{2}{\sqrt{2}}}{2} \right) + e = \underline{\underline{2 - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + e}}$

11.  $s(t) = -16t^2 + 16t + 32$  is position (height) at time  $t$

The object hits the ground when  $s(t) = 0$ , i.e., when the height is 0.

$$\begin{aligned} s(t) = -16t^2 + 16t + 32 = 0 &\Leftrightarrow 16(-t^2 + t + 2) = 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow t^2 - t - 2 = 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow \boxed{t = 2} \text{ or } t = -1 \end{aligned}$$

Velocity at time  $t$  is:

$$s'(t) = -32t + 16$$

Acceleration at time  $t$  is:

$$s''(t) = -32$$

Thus, the velocity and acceleration of the object when it hits the ground are, respectively,

$$s'(2) = -64 + 16 = -48 \quad \text{and} \quad s''(2) = -32$$

12.  $x^2 + y^3 + y = 1$ ,  $y = y(x)$  near  $(1, 0)$

Implicitly differentiating,

$$2x + 3y^2 y' + y' = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad y' \cdot (1 + 3y^2) = -2x$$

$$\Rightarrow y'(x) = -\frac{2x}{1 + 3y^2}$$

The slope of the tangent line at  $(1, 0)$  is therefore

$$m = -\frac{2 \cdot 1}{1 + 3 \cdot 0^2} = -\underline{2}; \quad \text{and the tangent line is hence}$$

$$y - 0 = -2(x - 1) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \boxed{y = -2x + 2}$$

$$13. \quad f(x) = x^3 + x - 2, \quad g(x) = f^{-1}(x).$$

$$f(g(x)) = x \quad \Rightarrow \quad f'(g(x)) \cdot g'(x) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad g'(x) = \frac{1}{f'(g(x))}$$

$$f'(x) = 3x^2 + 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad g'(x) = \frac{1}{3g(x)^2 + 1}$$

$$f''(x) = 6x$$

Clearly,  $f(1) = 1^3 + 1 - 2 = 0$ , so  $g(0) = 1$ . Thus

$$g'(0) = \frac{1}{3g(0)^2 + 1} = \frac{1}{3 \cdot 1 + 1} = \boxed{\frac{1}{4}}$$

Differentiating  $f'(g(x))g'(x) = 1$  once again, we have:

$$f''(g(x))g'(x)^2 + f'(g(x))g''(x) = 0$$

Evaluating at  $x=0$ ; using again that  $g(0)=1$  and  $g'(0)=\frac{1}{4}$ ;

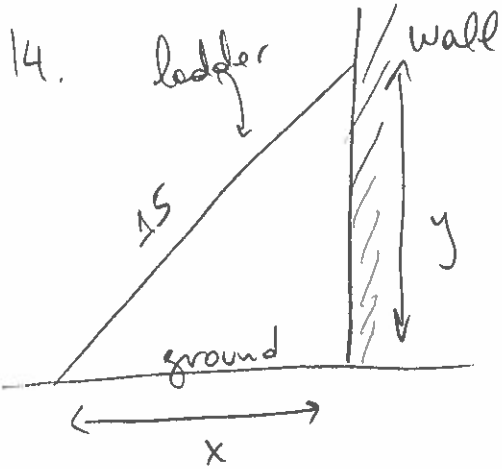
$$f''(g(0))g'(0)^2 + f'(g(0))g''(0) = 0$$

$$f''(1) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^2 + f'(1) \cdot g''(0) = 0$$

$$6 \cdot \frac{1}{16} + 4 \cdot g''(0) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad 4g''(0) = -\frac{3}{8}$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \boxed{g''(0) = -\frac{3}{32}}$$





$x$  = dist. from foot of ladder to wall

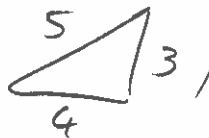
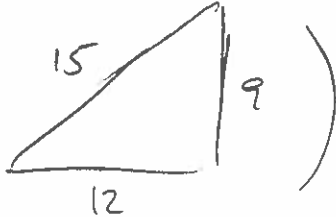
$y$  = height where ladder rests on wall

$$x^2 + y^2 = 15^2$$

$$2x \frac{dx}{dt} + 2y \frac{dy}{dt} = 0$$

We know:  $\frac{dx}{dt} = +3 \text{ ft/s}$ , want  $\frac{dy}{dt}$  when  $x=12$ .

when  $x=12$ ,  $y=9$  b/c  $12^2 + 9^2 = 15^2$ .

(also a "3,4,5"-triangle , )

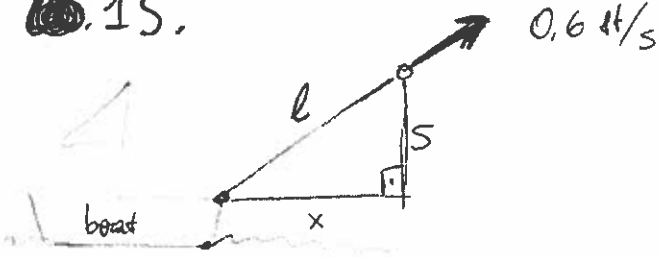
so:

$$2 \cdot 12 \cdot (+3) + 2 \cdot 9 \cdot \frac{dy}{dt} = 0$$

$$+36 + 18 \frac{dy}{dt} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dt} = -\frac{36}{18} = -2$$

A: The top of the ladder is sliding down at 2 ft/s.

15.



$l$  = length of rope out  
 $x$  = distance from boat to dock.

Pythagoras:  $x^2 + 5^2 = l^2$

$$\frac{dl}{dt} = -0.6 \frac{\text{ft}}{\text{s}}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 25 = l^2$$

Differentiate w.r.t.  $t$ :  $2x \frac{dx}{dt} = 2l \frac{dl}{dt}$

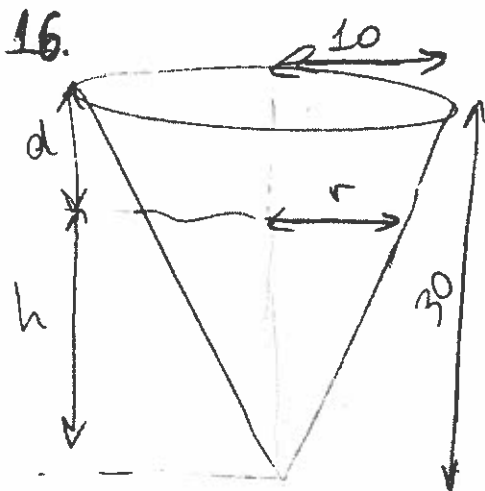
Want:  $\frac{dx}{dt}$  when  $l=13$ :

$$l=13 \Rightarrow x^2 + 25 = 13^2 = 169 \Rightarrow x^2 = 144 \Rightarrow x = 12 \quad (x > 0)$$

$$\& \cdot 12 \cdot \frac{dx}{dt} = 2 \cdot 13 \cdot (-0.6) \Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dt} = -\frac{6}{10} \cdot \frac{13}{12}$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -\frac{13}{20}$$

A: The boat is approaching the dock at speed  $\frac{13}{20} \frac{\text{ft}}{\text{s}}$ .



$h$  = height of water in tank

$d$  = depth =  $30 - h$

$V$  = Volume of water in tank.

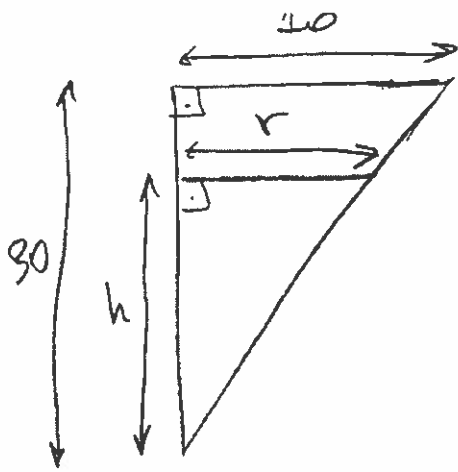
$r$  = radius of water level

$$V = \frac{1}{3} \pi r^2 h$$

Want:  $\frac{dh}{dt} = ?$

$$h + d = 30$$

when  $d=3$ .



By similar triangles:

$$\frac{r}{h} = \frac{10}{30} = \frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow \boxed{r = \frac{h}{3}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dr}{dt} = \frac{1}{3} \frac{dh}{dt} \quad (*)$$

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = \frac{1}{3} \pi 2r \frac{dr}{dt} h + \frac{1}{3} \pi r^2 \frac{dh}{dt}$$

$$\stackrel{(*)}{=} \frac{2\pi}{3} r \frac{1}{3} \frac{dh}{dt} h + \frac{\pi}{3} r^2 \frac{dh}{dt}$$

$$= \frac{2\pi r h}{9} \frac{dh}{dt} + \frac{\pi r^2}{3} \frac{dh}{dt}$$

When  $d=3$ ,  $h = 30 - 3 = 27$ ,  $r = \frac{h}{3} = \frac{27}{3} = 9$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dV}{dt} = \frac{2\pi \cdot 9 \cdot 27}{9} \frac{dh}{dt} + \frac{\pi \cdot 9^2}{3} \frac{dh}{dt}$$

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$$10 = 54\pi \frac{dh}{dt} + 27\pi \frac{dh}{dt} = 81\pi \frac{dh}{dt}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{dh}{dt} = \frac{10}{81\pi} \frac{\text{cm}}{\text{s}}}$$

∴ The water level is rising at a rate  $\frac{10}{81\pi}$  cm/s.