



## MATH 155 - Calculus for Engineering I

### Second Midterm Examination

1) Evaluate derivatives of the following functions:

a)  $f(x) = (155x)^{2\ln x}$

b)  $f(x) = \tan(\sec^3(\pi x))$

c)  $f(x) = \arctan(1 + \sqrt{1 + e^x})$

2) Find the equation of the tangent line of  $\cos(y^2) = x^2 - y^2 - 1$  at  $(\sqrt{\pi}, \sqrt{\pi})$ .

3) Evaluate the following limits:

a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{x + e}{x + \pi^2} \right)^{3x}$

b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\cos x - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}}{4x - \pi}$

c)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{1}{3^x - 1} - \frac{1}{x \ln 3}$

4) Sketch the graph of  $f(x) = xe^{1-x^2}$ . Show all your work in detail.

5) a) Find the maximum possible value of the product  $ab$  where  $a$  and  $b$  are nonnegative numbers and  $3a + 4b = 10$ .

b) Find the absolute extrema of the function  $f(x) = 2x^3 - 15x^2 + 24x - 12$  on the interval  $[2, 5]$ .

# Answers

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1) a)  $\ln f(x) = (2 \ln x) \ln(155x)$

$$\frac{f'(x)}{f(x)} = \frac{2}{x} \ln(155x) + 2 \ln x \left( \frac{155}{155x} \right)$$

$$f'(x) = (155x)^{2 \ln x} \left( \frac{2}{x} \ln(155x) + \frac{2 \ln x}{x} \right)$$

b)  $f'(x) = \sec^2(\sec^3(\pi x)) \cdot 3 \sec^2(\pi x) \sec(\pi x) \tan(\pi x) \pi$   
 $= 3\pi \sec^2(\sec^3(\pi x)) \sec^3(\pi x) \tan(\pi x)$

c)  $f'(x) = \frac{1}{1 + (1 + \sqrt{1 + e^x})^2} \cdot \frac{e^x}{2\sqrt{1 + e^x}}$

2)  $-\sin(y^2) \cdot 2y \cdot y' = 2x - 2y \cdot y'$

$$y' [2y(1 - \sin(y^2))] = 2x$$

$$y' \Big|_{(\sqrt{\pi}, \sqrt{\pi})} = 1$$

Slope of tangent line is 1.

Equation of tangent line is:  $y - \sqrt{\pi} = 1(x - \sqrt{\pi})$

$$\Rightarrow y = x$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{3) a) } \ln L &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} 3x \ln \left( \frac{x+e}{x+\pi^2} \right) \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln \left( \frac{x+e}{x+\pi^2} \right)}{\frac{1}{3x}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Using L'Hôpital's Rule:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\left( \frac{x+\pi^2}{x+e} \right) \left( \frac{\pi^2 - e}{(x+\pi^2)^2} \right)}{-\frac{1}{3x^2}} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3x^2(e - \pi^2)}{(x+e)(x+\pi^2)} \\
 &= 3(e - \pi^2)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow L = e^{3(e-\pi^2)}$$

**b)** This is an indeterminate form of type  $\frac{0}{0}$  so we will use L'Hôpital's Rule:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\cos x - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}}{4x - \pi} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{-\sin x}{4} = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{8}$$

**c)** This is an indeterminate form of type  $\infty - \infty$  but we can rewrite it as:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{x \ln 3 - 3^x + 1}{(3^x - 1)(x \ln 3)}$$

Now it is of type  $\frac{0}{0}$  so we will use L'Hôpital's Rule:

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{\ln 3 - 3^x \ln 3}{(3^x \ln 3)(x \ln 3) + (3^x - 1) \ln 3}$$

Cancel  $\ln 3$ , use L'Hôpital's Rule once more:

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{-3^x \ln 3}{x 3^x \ln^2 3 + 3^x \ln 3 + 3^x \ln 3}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2}$$

4) Domain of  $f$  is  $\mathbb{R}$ .

$$f'(x) = e^{1-x^2}(1 - 2x^2)$$

$$f'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow x = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

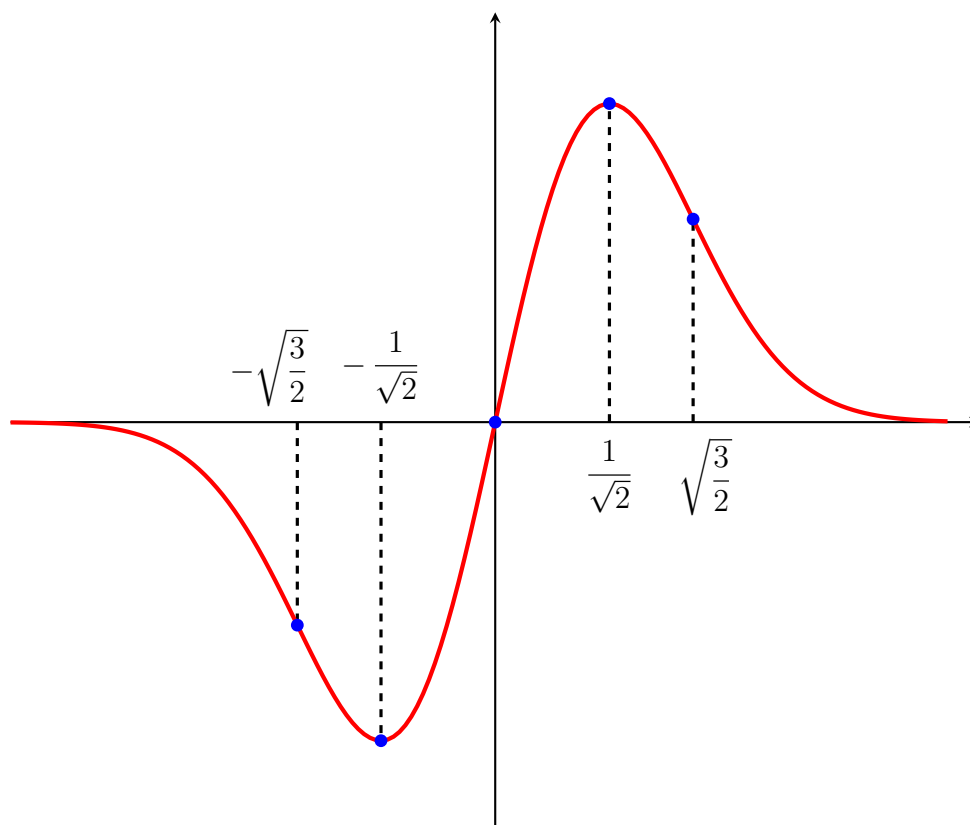
$$f''(x) = -2x e^{1-2x^2}(3 - 2x^2)$$

$$f''(x) = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0 \text{ or } x = \pm \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}$$

$x$	$-\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}$	$-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$	$0$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$	$\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}$
$f'$	-	- 0 +	+	+ 0 -	-
$f''$	- 0 +	+	0 -	- 0 +	+
$f$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\searrow$

Based on the table, we can see that  $f$  has a local minimum at  $x = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ , a local maximum at  $x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$  and inflection points on  $x = 0, x = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}, x = -\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}$ .

There's no vertical or oblique asymptote.  $y = 0$  is the horizontal asymptote.



5) a)  $a = x$

$$b = \frac{10 - 3x}{4}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= x \left( \frac{10 - 3x}{4} \right) \\ &= \frac{5}{2}x - \frac{3}{4}x^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{5}{2} - \frac{3}{2}x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{5}{3}$$

$$a = \frac{5}{3}, \quad b = \frac{5}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow ab = \frac{25}{12}$$

**b)**  $f'(x) = 6x^2 - 30x + 24 = 6(x - 1)(x - 4)$

$$f'(x) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x = 1 \quad \text{or} \quad x = 4.$$

$$1 \notin [2, 5], \quad 4 \in [2, 5]$$

$x$	$f$
2	-8
4	-28
5	-17

Absolute maximum:  $f(2) = -8$ ,

Absolute minimum:  $f(4) = -28$ .