

**MAT 1339 B Winter 2011 February 11th, 10:00 Instructor S. Baek**

## Midterm #1

**Max = 100**

**Name :** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

- Time: 80 min.
- Only basic scientific calculators are permitted: non-programmable, non-graphing, no differentiation or integration capability. Notes or books are not permitted.
- Work all problems in the space provided. Use the backs of the pages for rough work if necessary. Do not use any other paper.
- Write *only* in non-erasable ink (ball-point or pen), not in pencil. Cross out, if necessary, but do not erase or overwrite. Graphs and sketches may be drawn in pencil.
- Problems require complete and clearly presented solutions and carry part marks if there is substantial correct work toward the solution.

**Problem 1:** (20 points) Let  $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\sqrt{x+2}-2}{x-2}, & \text{if } x > 2 \\ \sqrt{2-x} + C, & \text{if } x \leq 2 \end{cases}$  for some constant  $C$ .

- (a) (10 points) For what value of  $C$  is  $f(x)$  continuous at  $x = 2$ ?
- (b) (10 points) Use the definition of the derivative to find the derivative of the function  $g(x) = \sqrt{2-x} + C$ .

**Solution:** (a)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{\sqrt{x+2}-2}{x-2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \left( \frac{\sqrt{x+2}-2}{x-2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x+2}+2}{\sqrt{x+2}+2} \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{x-2}{x-2(\sqrt{x+2}+2)} = \frac{1}{4}.$$

On the other hand,

$$f(2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} (\sqrt{2-x} + C) = C.$$

The function  $f(x)$  is continuous at  $x = 2$  if and only if  $f(2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x)$ , hence  $C = \frac{1}{4}$ .

(b)

$$\begin{aligned} g'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{2-(x+h)} + C - (\sqrt{2-x} + C)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{2-x-h} - \sqrt{2-x}}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{2-x-h} - \sqrt{2-x}}{h} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2-x-h} + \sqrt{2-x}}{\sqrt{2-x-h} + \sqrt{2-x}} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-h}{h(\sqrt{2-x-h} + \sqrt{2-x})} \\ &= \frac{-1}{2\sqrt{2-x}}. \end{aligned}$$

**Problem 2:** (20 points)

(a) (10 points) Let  $f(x) = \frac{(x^2 + 2x + 3)^{20}}{2x^2 + 3}$ . Find  $f'(0)$ .

(b) (10 points) Assume that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{(g(x) - 1)^2}{x - 2} = 3$ . Find  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} g(x)$ .

**Solution:** (a)

$$f'(x) = \frac{20(x^2 + 2x + 3)^{19}(2x + 2)(2x^2 + 3) - (x^2 + 2x + 3)^{20}(4x)}{(2x^2 + 3)^2}.$$

Therefore,

$$f'(0) = \frac{20 \cdot 3^{19} \cdot 2 \cdot 3}{3^2} = \frac{40 \cdot 3^{20}}{3^2} = 40 \cdot 3^{18}.$$

(b)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} (g(x) - 1)^2 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \left\{ \frac{(g(x) - 1)^2}{x - 2} \cdot (x - 2) \right\} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \left\{ \frac{(g(x) - 1)^2}{x - 2} \right\} \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} (x - 2) = 3 \cdot 0 = 0.$$

Hence,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} g(x) = 1$ .

**Problem 3:** (10 points)

Find the equation of the tangent line to the graph of  $f(x) = \left(\frac{1}{4\sqrt{x+4}} + \frac{7}{8}\right)(x^2 + 2)^4$  at  $x = 0$ .

**Solution:**

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{4} \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \cdot \frac{1}{(x+4)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \cdot (x^2 + 2)^4 + \left(\frac{1}{4\sqrt{x+4}} + \frac{7}{8}\right) \cdot 4(x^2 + 2)^3 \cdot 2x.$$

Hence,  $f'(0) = -\frac{1}{8} \cdot \frac{1}{4^{\frac{3}{2}}} \cdot 2^4 = -\frac{2^4}{2^3 \cdot 2^3} = -\frac{1}{4}$ . As  $f(0) = \left(\frac{1}{8} + \frac{7}{8}\right)(2^4) = 2^4$ , the equation of the tangent line is  $y = -\frac{1}{4}x + 16$ .

**Problem 4:** (20 points) Let  $f(x) = x^4 - 4x^3 + 2$ .

- (a) (5 points) Calculate  $f'(x)$  and find critical points.
- (b) (5 points) Calculate  $f''(x)$  and determine the intervals where  $f(x)$  is concave up, concave down.
- (c) (10 points) Sketch the graph of the function.

**Solution:** (a)  $f'(x) = 4x^3 - 12x^2 = 4x^2(x - 3)$ . Therefore,  $f'(x) = 0$  has roots  $x = 0$  and  $x = 3$ , which are critical points.

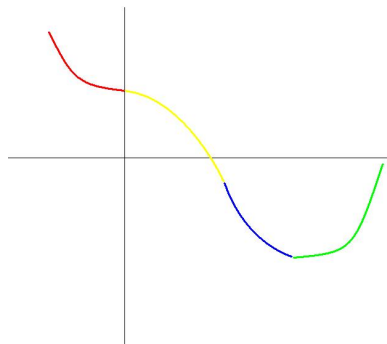
(b)  $f''(x) = 12x^2 - 24x = 12x(x - 2)$ . Hence  $f'(x) = 0$  has roots  $x = 0$  and  $x = 2$ . We have the following table:

Interval	$(-\infty, 0)$	$(0, 2)$	$(2, 3)$	$(3, \infty)$
Sign of $f'(x)$	-	-	-	+
Sign of $f''(x)$	+	-	+	+
Shape of curve	DU(Red)	DD(Yellow)	DU(Blue)	IU(Green)

, where DU:=Decreasing and concave Up, IU:=Increasing and concave Up, and DD:=Decreasing and concave Down.

According to the table, the interval where  $f(x)$  is concave up is  $(-\infty, 0) \cup (2, 3) \cup (3, \infty)$  and the interval where  $f(x)$  is concave down is  $(0, 2)$ .

(c)



**Problem 5:** (30 points) Let  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2 - 2x}$ .

- (a) (5 points) Determine the domain of the function.
- (b) (5 points) Find the vertical asymptotes.
- (c) (5 points) Calculate  $f'(x)$  and find critical points.
- (d) (5 points) Calculate  $f''(x)$  and determine the intervals where  $f(x)$  is concave up, concave down.
- (e) (10 points) Sketch the graph of the function.

**Solution:** (a)  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0, 2\}$ .

(b) As  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{x(x-2)} = -\infty$  (or  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{1}{x(x-2)} = \infty$ ),  $x = 0$  is a vertical asymptote.

Similarly, as  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{1}{x(x-2)} = \infty$  (or  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{1}{x(x-2)} = -\infty$ ),  $x = 2$  is a vertical asymptote.

(c)  $f'(x) = \frac{-2x + 2}{(x^2 - 2x)^2}$ . Therefore, the root  $x = 1$  of  $f'(x) = 0$  is the critical point.

(d)  $f''(x) = \frac{-2(x^2 - 2x)^2 - (-2x + 2) \cdot 2 \cdot (x^2 - 2x)(2x - 2)}{(x^2 - 2x)^4} = \frac{-2(x^2 - 2x)(-3x^2 + 6x - 4)}{(x^2 - 2x)^4}$ .

As  $-3x^2 + 6x - 4 = 0$  has no roots (the discriminant is negative),  $f''(x) = 0$  has no roots.

We have the following table:

Interval	$(-\infty, 0)$	$(0, 1)$	$(1, 2)$	$(2, \infty)$
Sign of $f'(x)$	+	+	-	-
Sign of $f''(x)$	+	-	-	+
Shape of curve	IU(Blue)	ID(Red)	DD(Green)	DU(Yellow)

, where DU:=Decreasing and concave Up, IU:=Increasing and concave Up, ID:=Increasing and concave Down, and DD:=Decreasing and concave Down.

According to the table, the interval where  $f(x)$  is concave up is  $(-\infty, 0) \cup (2, \infty)$  and the interval where  $f(x)$  is concave down is  $(0, 2)$ .

Space for problem 5

