

# Math 90 2<sup>nd</sup> Midterm Solutions

Section 01

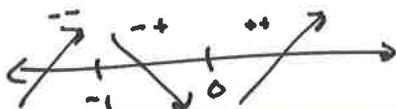
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$$f(x) = 2x^3 + 3x^2$$

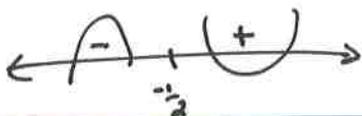
(a)  $f'(x) = 6x^2 + 6x = 6x(x+1)$

$$f'(x) = 0 \implies 6x(x+1) = 0 \implies x=0, x=-1$$

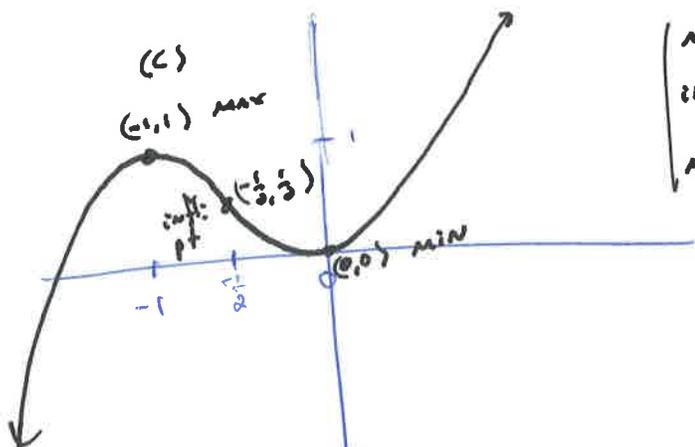


increasing on  $(-\infty, -1), (0, \infty)$   
decreasing on  $(-1, 0)$

(b)  $f''(x) = 12x + 6, \quad f''(x) = 0 \implies 12x = -6 \implies x = -\frac{1}{2}$



concave down:  $(-\infty, -\frac{1}{2}),$  concave up  $(-\frac{1}{2}, \infty)$



$$\begin{aligned} \text{min: } f(0) &= 0 \\ \text{inflection: } f(-\frac{1}{2}) &= -\frac{2}{8} + \frac{3}{4} = \frac{1}{2} \\ \text{max: } f(-1) &= -2 + 3 = 1 \end{aligned}$$



2 (a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x \ln x}{\sin(\pi x)}$        $\ln(1) = 0 \Rightarrow$  looks like  $\frac{0}{0}$   
 $\sin(\pi) = 0$

$\Rightarrow$  use l'Hôpital's rule

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x \ln x}{\sin(\pi x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\frac{x}{x} + \ln x}{\pi \cos(\pi x)} = \frac{1 + 0}{\pi(-1)} = \boxed{-\frac{1}{\pi}}$$

(b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan^{-1}(2x)}{x^3 + 3x} = \dots$        $\tan^{-1}(0) = 0 \rightarrow$  looks like  $\frac{0}{0}$   
 $x^3 + 3x \Big|_{x=0} = 0$

$\rightarrow$  use l'Hôpital's rule

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan^{-1}(2x)}{x^3 + 3x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{2}{1+4x^2}}{3x^2 + 3} = \frac{\frac{2}{1+0}}{0+3} = \boxed{\frac{2}{3}}$$



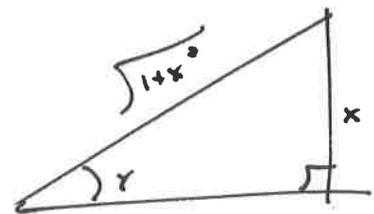
Aside: suppose you forget  $\frac{d}{dx} \tan^{-1}(x)$ . What do you do?

First, you skip this question + return to it after trying the rest.

Then:  $y = \tan^{-1}(x) \rightarrow \tan y = x$

so  $\frac{d}{dx} \tan y = \frac{d}{dx} x^1 = 1$

$+ \frac{d}{dx} \tan y = \sec^2 y \cdot \frac{dy}{dx}$



a triangle w/  $\tan y = x$ .

From triangle at right,  $\sec^2 y = 1 + x^2$ .

so  $y = \tan^{-1} x \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\sec^2 y}$

Putting it all together,  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\sec^2 y} = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$

3 (I wrote this problem)

$x$  kilograms of powder,  $\rightarrow 100x - x^2$  cartons of chalk  
\$1000 overhead, \$5/carton profit, \$30/kilo powder.

$$(a) P(x) = (100x - x^2 \text{ cartons}) \$5/\text{carton} - (x \text{ kilos powder}) \$30/\text{kilo} - \$1000$$

$$= 5(100x - x^2) - 30x - 1000$$

$$= 470x - 5x^2 - 1000$$

$$(b) P'(x) = 470 - 10x$$

$$P'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow 470 = 10x \Rightarrow x = 47.$$

Is it the max?

$P''(x) = -10 < 0 \Rightarrow$  it is a max by 2<sup>nd</sup> deriv. test. Since we're letting  $x$  be any number,  $P(x)$  is differentiable everywhere, & we've tested all critical points,  $x = 47$  is the max.

So the company should buy 47 kilograms of chalk.



Note  $\rightarrow$  you do need to check that it's a max.

4  $f(x)$  continuous, s.t.  $f''(x) = x^3 + e^x + 1$ ,  $f'(2) = 0$ .

$$(a) f'(x) = \frac{x^4}{4} + e^x + x + C$$

$$f'(2) = 4 + e^2 + 2 + C = 0 \implies C = -e^2 - 6$$

$$\implies f'(x) = \frac{x^4}{4} + e^x + x + (-e^2 - 6).$$

$$(b) f(x) = \frac{x^5}{20} + e^x + \frac{x^2}{2} + x(-e^2 - 6) + C_2.$$

so  $f(x)$  could be, say,

$$\frac{x^5}{20} + e^x + \frac{x^2}{2} + x(-e^2 - 6) + 2, \text{ or}$$
$$\frac{x^5}{20} + e^x + \frac{x^2}{2} + x(-e^2 - 6) - 1 \quad (\text{or many others}).$$

(c) We know  $f'(2) = 0$  by design, so  $x=2$  will be the location of the extrema.

$$f''(x) = x^3 + e^x + 1, \quad f''(2) = 8 + e^2 + 1 > 0,$$

So by 2<sup>nd</sup> deriv. test,  $f(x)$  has a

minimum at  $x=2$ .

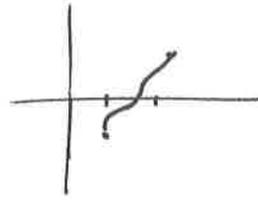


Note: you can check your answers: differentiate  $f$  to get  $f'$ ,  
+  $f'$  to get  $f''$ .

$$\boxed{5} \quad h(x) = 4x + 2 \ln x - 5$$

$$(A) \quad h(1) = 4 + 0 - 5 = -1 < 0$$

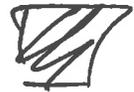
$$h(2) = 8 + 2 \ln 2 - 5 > 0$$



By intermediate value theorem,  $h$  has a zero in  $[1, 2]$  since  $h$  is continuous. So there is at least one root.

$$(B) \quad h'(x) = 4 + \frac{1}{x}$$

+  $h'(x) > 0$  for  $x > 0$ , thus  $h(x)$  is always strictly increasing, + thus has exactly one root.



$$\boxed{6} \quad f(x) = e^{-2x} (x^2 - 4x + 2)$$

$$(a) \quad f'(x) = -2e^{-2x} (x^2 - 4x + 2) + e^{-2x} (2x - 4) =$$

$$= e^{-2x} (-2x^2 + 8x - 4 + 2x - 4) = e^{-2x} (-2x^2 + 10x - 8) =$$

$$= -2e^{-2x} (x^2 - 5x + 4) = -2e^{-2x} (x-4)(x-1)$$

$\Rightarrow$  critical points are  $x=1, 4$ .

(b) max/min on  $[0, 3]$

$\rightarrow$  3 candidate points:  $x=0, x=1, x=3$  (not  $x=4$ ).

try them all:  $f(0) = e^0 (0 - 0 + 2) = 2$

$$f(1) = e^{-2} (1 - 4 + 2) = -e^{-2}$$

~~$f(4) =$~~

$$f(3) = e^{-6} (9 - 12 + 2) = -e^{-6}$$

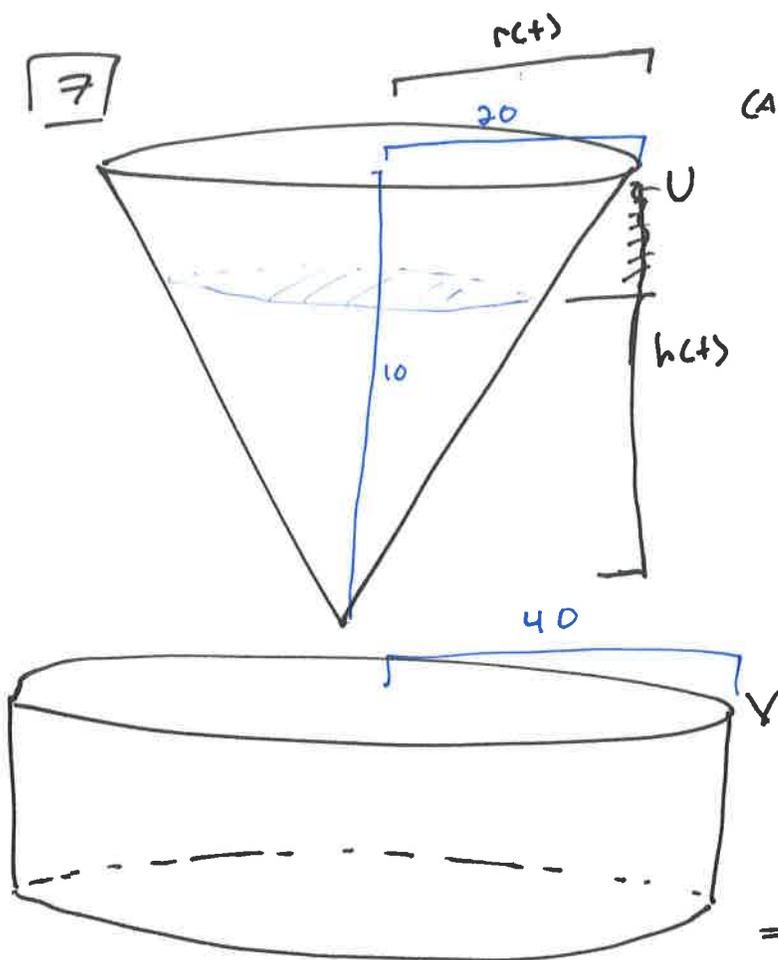
so the max is at  $x=0$ ,  $\because 2 > -e^{-6} > -e^{-2}$

& the min is at  $x=1$ ,  $\because 2 > -e^{-6} > -e^{-2}$ .

$$\boxed{\begin{array}{l} \text{max: } 2 \\ \text{min: } -e^{-2} \end{array}}$$



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$$V(t) = \frac{\pi}{3} r(t)^2 h(t)$$

it's a cone, so the radius + height of water at time  $t$  are always in a fixed proportion.

$$\text{Hence, } r(t) = 2h(t).$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } V(t) &= \frac{\pi}{3} (2h(t))^2 h(t) \\ &= \frac{4\pi}{3} h(t)^3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\rightarrow V'(t) = 4\pi h(t)^2 \frac{dh}{dt}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{when } h(t) = 5, V'(t) = 4\pi(25) \frac{dh}{dt}$$

$$+ \frac{dh}{dt} = -6 \quad (\text{negative since it's dropping})$$

$$\Rightarrow V' = 4\pi(25) \cdot -6 = \boxed{-600\pi} \text{ m}^3/\text{min}.$$

(b) Water falls out of the cone + into the cylinder.

$$\text{So } \boxed{\frac{dV}{dt} = -\frac{dV_C}{dt}}$$

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$$(c) L(t) = \pi (40)^2 h_c(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dL}{dt} = 1600\pi \frac{dh_c}{dt}$$

$$\Rightarrow 600\pi = 1600\pi \frac{dh_c}{dt}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{600\cancel{\pi}}{1600\cancel{\pi}} = \frac{3}{8} = \frac{dh_c}{dt}$$

so it's rising at  $\frac{3}{8}$  m/min.

