

Midterm Key

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- You have 80 minutes for 8 problems. Check your copy of the exam for completeness.
- You are allowed to use a hand written sheet of paper (8x11 in), back and front.
- Calculators may only have basic functions, but no graphing or differentiation functions.
- Justify all your answers and show your work for credit.
- All answers must be exact, no rounding.
- *Credit given for formal aspects*

Do not open the test until everyone has a copy and the start of the test is announced.

GOOD LUCK!

Problem 1. Find the limit of the following expression. Your answer must be a real number, ∞ , $-\infty$, or DNE, whatever fits best. Justify all your work. **Norounding**

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 6} \frac{x^2 - 4x - 12}{x^2 - 5x - 6}$$



$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 6} \frac{x^2 - 4x - 12}{x^2 - 6x - 6} \stackrel{\boxed{0/0}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 6} \frac{(x-6)(x+2)}{(x-6)(x+1)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 6} \frac{x+2}{x+1} \stackrel{\text{DSP}}{=} \frac{8}{7}$$

Problem 2. Find the limit of the following expression. Your answer must be a real number, ∞ , $-\infty$, or DNE, whatever fits best. Justify all your work.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \arctan \left(\frac{1}{(x-3)^2} \right).$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{1}{(x-3)^2} = \begin{matrix} + \\ + \end{matrix} \left[\begin{matrix} \infty \\ 0 \end{matrix} \right]$$

$$\text{So } \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \arctan \left(\frac{1}{(x-3)^2} \right) = \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \arctan(z) = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

Problem 3. The function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 12 - 2\sqrt{x} & , x \geq 1 \\ ax^2 - a + 10 & , x < 1 \end{cases}$$



is continuous at $x = 1$ (you do not need to show this). Determine the constant a so that f is differentiable at all places in \mathbb{R} .

$12 - 2\sqrt{x}$ is diff for all $x > 1$ (lecture-fact about domains)
 $ax^2 - a + 10$ is diff for all $x < 1$

Check transition.

From the left:

$$x > 1: f'(x) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f'(x) = -\frac{1}{1} = -1$$

$$x < 1: f'(x) = 2x \cdot a \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f'(x) = 2a$$

$$\text{So } 2a = -1 \quad (\Leftrightarrow) \quad \boxed{a = -\frac{1}{2}}$$

Problem 4. Use the definition of a derivative (the limit-version, no differentiation rules) to find the derivative function of $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$ at $x=3$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 f'(3) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(3+h) - f(3)}{h} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{3+h}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{3+h}}{\sqrt{3}\sqrt{3+h}}}{h} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{3+h}) \cdot (\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{3+h})}{h \cdot \sqrt{3} \cdot \sqrt{3+h} \cdot (\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{3+h})} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cancel{3} - \cancel{3} - h}{h \cdot \sqrt{3} \cdot \sqrt{3+h} \cdot (\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{3+h})} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-1}{\sqrt{3} \sqrt{3+h} \cdot (\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{3+h})} \\
 \stackrel{\text{DSP}}{=} &= \frac{-1}{\sqrt{3} \cdot \sqrt{3} (\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{3})} = -\frac{1}{3 \cdot 2\sqrt{3}} = -\frac{1}{6\sqrt{3}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Problem 5. Find the points on the curve

$$y = 2x^3 + 3x^2 - 12x + 1$$

where the tangent line is horizontal.

$$y' = 6x^2 + 6x - 12$$

horizontal, when $y' = 0$

$$6x^2 + 6x - 12 = 0$$

$$x^2 + x - 2 = 0$$

$$\left(x + \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = 2 + \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\left(x + \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{9}{4}$$

$$x = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{2} \quad \text{or} \quad x = -\frac{1}{2} - \frac{3}{2}$$

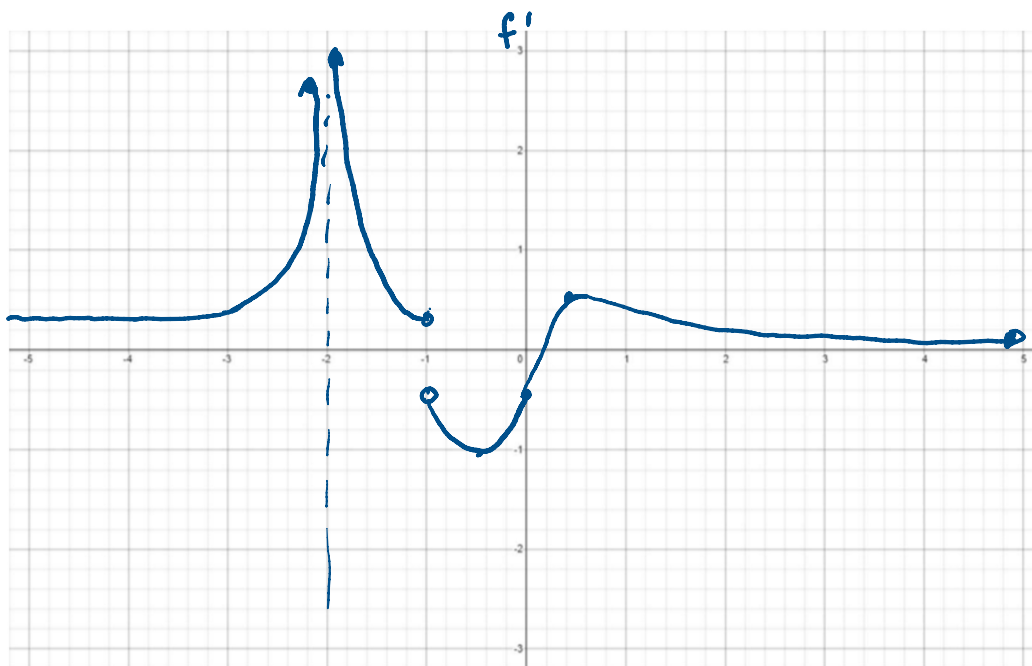
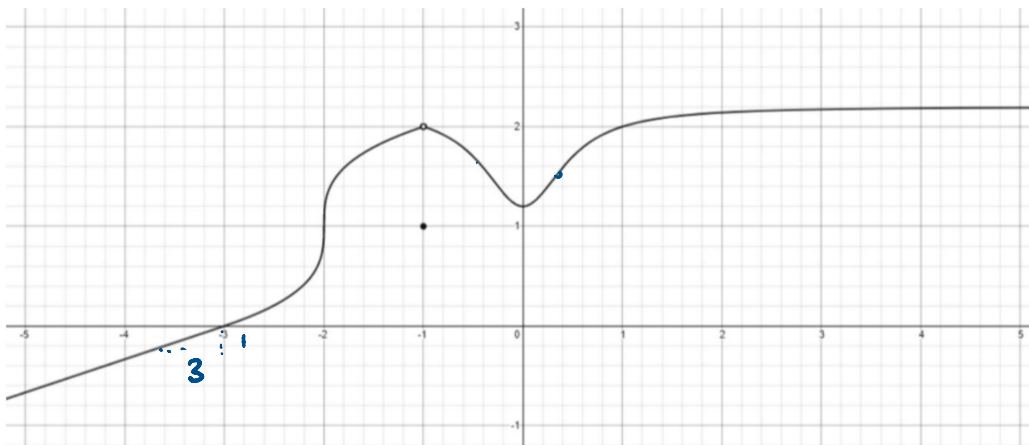
$$x = 1 \quad \text{or} \quad x = -2$$

$$(1, -6)$$

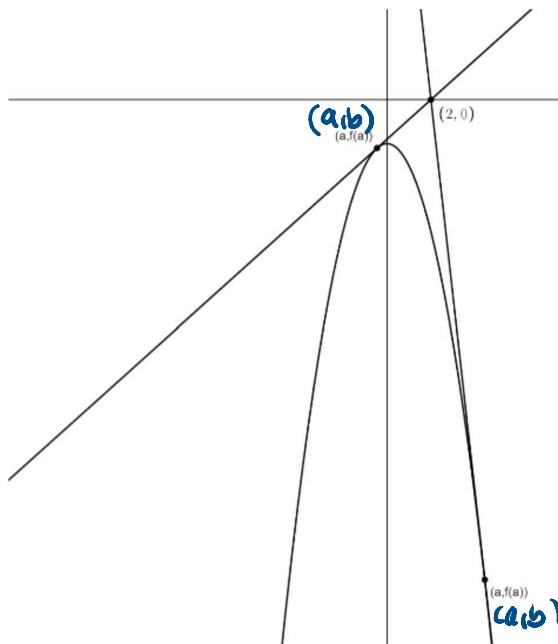
$$(-2, 21)$$

Problem 6. Consider the following graph of the function $f(x)$. In the given blank coordinate system sketch the graph of $f'(x)$. Be sure to correctly sketch

- Where $f'(x)$ is positive/negative or equal to 0.
- Where $f'(x)$ is constant and what value that constant is.
- Where $f'(x)$ is increasing and where it is decreasing.
- Where $f'(x)$ is not defined.



Problem 7. Consider the function $f(x) = -x^2 - 2$. Find the values both values for a so that the tangent lines through $(a, f(a))$ to the graph of f pass through the point $(1, 0)$ as shown in the sketch below.



1) (a, b) on curve:

$$b = -a^2 - 2$$

2) $\frac{\text{rise}}{\text{run}} = f'(a)$

$$f'(x) = -2x$$

$$\frac{b}{a-2} = -2a$$

combine: $\frac{-a^2-2}{a-2} = -2a \quad | \cdot (-1)$
 $\frac{a^2+2}{a-2} = 2a \quad | \cdot (a-2)$

$$a^2 + 2 = 2a(a-2)$$

$$a^2 + 2 = 2a^2 - 4a$$

$$2 = a^2 - 4a$$

$$2 + 4 = (a-2)^2$$

$$\pm\sqrt{6} = a-2$$

$$a = 2 - \sqrt{6} \quad \text{or} \quad a = 2 + \sqrt{6}$$

Problem 8. The population of bacteria in a petri dish can be modeled by

$$N(t) = \frac{3250t + 1}{t + 1},$$



where t measures the time in days ($t \geq 0$). Show these **TWO** features of the population:

- (a) The population of the bacteria is always (for all $t \geq 0$) growing but/and
- (b) The number of bacteria ~~is bounded, even if we observed forever.~~

is nearing a certain number when we observe for a very long time.

(a)
$$N'(t) = \frac{3250(t+1) - (3250t+1)}{(t+1)^2}$$

$$N'(t) = \frac{3249}{(t+1)^2}$$
 We note that $N'(t) > 0$ f.a. t 's, which means that $N(t)$ is increasing for all t .

(b) We observe what happens in the far future by considering

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} N(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{\epsilon}(3250t+1)}{\frac{1}{\epsilon}(t+1)} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3250 + \frac{1}{\epsilon}}{1 + \frac{1}{\epsilon}} = 3250.$$

Because $y = 3250$, the statement is true.