

SOLUTIONS for Exam # 3

1. { 15 points } Analyze the signs of the derivatives of the function

$$f(x) = x^3 - 9x^2 + 24x$$

to find the following:

- (a) the interval(s) on which f is increasing *Answer:* $(-\infty, 2] \cup [4, +\infty)$
- (b) the interval(s) on which f is decreasing *Answer:* $[2, 4]$
- (c) the open interval(s) on which f is concave up *Answer:* $(3, +\infty)$
- (d) the interval(s) on which f is concave down *Answer:* $(-\infty, 3)$
- (e) the x -coordinates of all inflection points *Answer:* $x = 3$

Calculations: **The first derivative is**

$$f'(x) = 3x^2 - 18x + 24 = 3(x^2 - 6x + 8) = 3(x - 2)(x - 4)$$

and therefore $f'(x) \geq 0$, if $x \leq 2$ or $x \geq 4$, and also $f'(x) \leq 0$ for $2 \leq x \leq 4$. The second derivative is $f'' = 6x - 18 = 6(x - 3)$

which gives that $f''(x) > 0$ for $x > 3$, $f''(x) < 0$ for $x < 3$, and $x = 3$ is the only inflection point.

2. { 20 points } Find the absolute maximum and minimum values of the function

$$f(x) = x^2(x - 2)^{\frac{2}{3}} \quad \text{on the interval} \quad [-1, 3],$$

and state where those values occur.

The first derivative of the function is

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= 2x(x - 2)^{\frac{2}{3}} + x^2 \left(\frac{2}{3} \right) (x - 2)^{-\frac{1}{3}} = \left(\frac{2}{3} \cdot 3 \right) x(x - 2)^{1 - \frac{1}{3}} + \frac{2}{3} x^2 (x - 2)^{-\frac{1}{3}} \\ &= \frac{2}{3} x(x - 2)^{-\frac{1}{3}} (3(x - 2) + x) = \frac{2}{3} x(x - 2)^{-\frac{1}{3}} (4x - 6) = \frac{8}{3} x(x - 2)^{-\frac{1}{3}} \left(x - \frac{3}{2} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, f' is not defined for $x = 2$ and $f'(x) = 0$ for $x = 0$ and $x = \frac{3}{2}$. All three critical points are in the interval $[-1, 3]$. We evaluate $f(x)$ at them and at the ends of the interval

$$f(-1) = 1^2(-3)^{\frac{2}{3}} = \sqrt[3]{9}; \quad f(0) = 0; \quad f\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) = \frac{9}{4} \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\frac{2}{3}} = \frac{9}{4\sqrt[3]{4}};$$

$$f(2) = 0; \quad f(3) = 3^2 \cdot 1^{\frac{2}{3}} = 9$$

and receive that the absolute maximum of f is 9 at $x = 3$ and the absolute minimum is 0 at $x = 0$ and at $x = 2$.

3. { 15 points } A sheet of cardboard 6 in square is used to make an open box by cutting squares of equal size x from the corners and folding up the sides. What should be x to obtain a box with largest possible volume?

The base of the box is a square with length of the side $6 - 2x$, and the height of the box is x . Thus, the volume of the box is $V(x) = (6 - 2x)^2x$. Since the dimensions of the box cannot be negative, we have that $6 - 2x \geq 0$ and $x \geq 0$ which gives that $x \in [0, 3]$. To find the critical points we examine the derivative

$$V'(x) = 2(6 - 2x)(-2)x + (6 - 2x)^2 = (6 - 2x)(-4 + 6 - 2x) = 4(3 - x)(1 - x).$$

So, the critical points are $x = 3$ and $x = 1$. We evaluate $V(x)$ at 0, 1, and 3 and receive $V(0) = 0$, $V(1) = 4^2(1) = 16$, $V(3) = 0$. Hence, the maximal volume is 16 cubic inches at $x = 1$.

4. { 15 points } Determine whether all of the hypotheses of the Mean-Value Theorem are satisfied on the given interval. If not, state which hypotheses fail; if so, find all values of c in that interval that satisfy the conclusion of the theorem.

$$f(x) = \frac{x + 3}{x - 1} ; \quad [2, 3]$$

The function $f(x)$ is continuous for all real $x \neq 1$ and in particular in the interval $[2, 3]$. The derivative

$$f'(x) = \frac{(x - 1) - (x + 3)}{(x - 1)^2} = \frac{-4}{(x - 1)^2}$$

is defined also for all real $x \neq 1$ and therefore for all x in the interval $(2, 3)$. Thus, both hypotheses of the Mean-Value Theorem are satisfied and therefore there exists a point $c \in (2, 3)$ such that

$$f'(c) = \frac{-4}{(c - 1)^2} = \frac{f(3) - f(2)}{3 - 2} = \frac{\frac{3+3}{3-1} - \frac{2+3}{2-1}}{1} = 3 - 5 = -2$$

From the above equation we receive that $\frac{-4}{(c-1)^2} = -2$ and therefore $(c - 1)^2 = 2$. Solving the equation gives $c - 1 = \pm\sqrt{2}$ and thus $c = 1 \pm \sqrt{2}$. Since $1 - \sqrt{2}$ is not in $(2, 3)$, we have that the only solution is $c = 1 + \sqrt{2}$.

5. { 15 points } Evaluate the integral.

$$\begin{aligned} & \int \left(\frac{2+x^3}{x} - \cos x + \frac{3}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \right) dx \\ &= \int \left(\frac{2}{x} + x^2 \right) dx - \int \cos x dx + 3 \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} dx \\ &= 2 \ln |x| + \frac{x^3}{3} - \sin x + 3 \sin^{-1} x + C \end{aligned}$$

6. { 15 points } Evaluate the integral

$$\int \sqrt{x^{-\frac{2}{3}} \left(x^{\frac{2}{3}} + 1 \right)} dx$$

by making the substitution $u = 1 + x^{\frac{2}{3}}$.

We have that $du = \left(1 + x^{\frac{2}{3}}\right)' dx = \frac{2}{3}x^{-\frac{1}{3}} dx = \frac{2}{3} \sqrt{x^{-\frac{2}{3}}} dx$. Thus,

$$\int \sqrt{x^{-\frac{2}{3}} \left(x^{\frac{2}{3}} + 1 \right)} dx = \frac{3}{2} \int \sqrt{u} du = \frac{3}{2} \frac{u^{\frac{3}{2}}}{\frac{3}{2}} + C = \left(1 + x^{\frac{2}{3}}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}} + C$$

7. { 15 points } Expand the sum for $n = 3$ and find its value.

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{k(n-k)}{n}$$

Express the above sum in closed form for arbitrary n .

$$\sum_{k=1}^3 \frac{k(3-k)}{3} = \frac{(1)(3-1)}{3} + \frac{(2)(3-2)}{3} + \frac{(3)(3-3)}{3} = \frac{2}{3} + \frac{2}{3} + \frac{0}{3} = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{k(n-k)}{n} &= \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{kn - k^2}{n} = \sum_{k=1}^n k - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n k^2 \\ &= \frac{n(n+1)}{2} - \frac{1}{n} \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \frac{2n+1}{3} = \frac{3n^2 + 3n}{6} - \frac{(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} \\ &= \frac{3n^2 + 3n}{6} - \frac{2n^2 + 3n + 1}{6} = \frac{n^2 - 1}{6} \end{aligned}$$

For $n = 3$ the above formula gives $\frac{9-1}{6} = \frac{8}{6} = \frac{4}{3}$ which confirms the first calculation.

8. { 15 points } Evaluate the integral using the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus.

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^1 \left(e^x + \frac{2}{1+x^2} - \sqrt{4x} \right) dx \\ &= \int_0^1 e^x dx + 2 \int \frac{dx}{1+x^2} - \sqrt{4} \int x^{\frac{1}{2}} dx = e^x \Big|_0^1 + 2 \tan^{-1} x \Big|_0^1 - 2 \left(\frac{2}{3} x^{\frac{3}{2}} \right) \Big|_0^1 \\ &= e^1 - e^0 + 2 (\tan^{-1} 1 - \tan^{-1} 0) - \frac{4}{3} \left(1^{\frac{3}{2}} - 0^{\frac{3}{2}} \right) = e - 1 + 2 \left(\frac{\pi}{4} - 0 \right) - \frac{4}{3} \\ &= e + \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{7}{3} \end{aligned}$$

First Bonus Problem. { 15 points } Use the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus to find the derivative.

$$\frac{d}{dx} \int_{\sqrt{x}}^{x^2} (\ln t)^2 dt$$

Let $F(x) = \int (\ln x)^2 dx$. Then from the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus

$$\int_{\sqrt{x}}^{x^2} (\ln t)^2 dt = F(x^2) - F(\sqrt{x})$$

and using that $F'(x) = (\ln x)^2$ we receive

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} \int_{\sqrt{x}}^{x^2} (\ln t)^2 dt &= F'(x^2)(2x) - F'(\sqrt{x}) \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \\ &= (\ln x^2)^2 (2x) - (\ln \sqrt{x})^2 \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} = (\ln x)^2 \left(8x - \frac{1}{8\sqrt{x}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Second Bonus Problem. { 15 points } Evaluate the integral using an appropriate substitution.

$$\int_0^1 \frac{\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{x+1}\right)}{(x+1)^2} dx$$

Let $u = \frac{\pi}{x+1}$. Then $du = \frac{-\pi}{(x+1)^2} dx$.

Using that $x = 0 \mapsto u = \pi$ and $x = 1 \mapsto u = \frac{\pi}{2}$ we receive

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 \frac{\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{x+1}\right)}{(x+1)^2} dx &= -\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{\pi}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin u du = \frac{1}{\pi} \cos u \Big|_{\pi}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left(\cos \frac{\pi}{2} - \cos \pi \right) = \frac{1}{\pi} (0 - (-1)) = \frac{1}{\pi} \end{aligned}$$