

Math 21A, Fall 2018.  
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**FINAL EXAM**

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**Instructions:** Each of the 8 problems has equal worth. Read each question carefully and answer it in the space provided. **YOU MUST SHOW ALL YOUR WORK TO RECEIVE FULL CREDIT.** Clarity of your solutions may be a factor when determining credit. Calculators, books or notes are not allowed. The proctor has been directed not to answer any interpretation questions.  
Make sure that you have a total of 11 pages (including this one) with 8 problems.

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1. Please be careful; on each of the parts (a)–(c) below, you will receive little or no credit if you make a differentiation mistake, even a small one.

(a) Compute the derivative of the function  $y = e^{x\sqrt{\ln x}}$ . Do not simplify!

$$y' = e^{x\sqrt{\ln x}} \cdot \left( \sqrt{\ln x} + x \cdot \frac{1}{2} (\ln x)^{-1/2} \cdot \frac{1}{x} \right)$$

(b) Compute the derivative of the function  $y = \arctan(x + 1/x)$ . Do not simplify!

$$y' = \frac{1}{1 + (x + \frac{1}{x})^2} \cdot \left( 1 - \frac{1}{x^2} \right)$$

(c) Find the equation of the tangent line to the curve  $\sqrt{x^2 + y^3} + 2x^2 \cos y + 2x = 1$  at the point  $(0, 1)$ . Give the answer in the slope-intercept form.

$$\frac{1}{2} (x^2 + y^3)^{-1/2} \cdot (2x + 3y^2 \cdot y') + 4x \cos y - 2x^2 \sin y \cdot y' + 2 = 0$$

Plug in  $x=0, y=1$ :

$$\frac{1}{2} 3y' + 2 = 0$$

$$y' = -\frac{4}{3}$$

$$y - 1 = -\frac{4}{3} (x - 0)$$

$$\underline{\underline{y = -\frac{4}{3}x + 1}}$$

2. Compute the following limits, in any correct way you can. Give each answer as a finite number,  $+\infty$  or  $-\infty$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(a) } \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x-4}{x-\sqrt{5x-4}} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{(x-4)(x+\sqrt{5x-4})}{x^2 - (\sqrt{5x-4})^2} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{\cancel{(x-4)}(x+\sqrt{5x-4})}{\cancel{(x-4)}(x-1)} = \frac{4}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

(L'Hopital also works.)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(b) } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{x^2 + \cos(x^2)}{\sqrt{x}} &= +\infty \\
 &\frac{(\approx 1)}{(\text{small} > 0)}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(c) } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{x^2} - \cos x}{1 - \cos(5x)} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{x^2} \cdot 2x + \sin x}{\sin(5x) \cdot 5} \\
 \left(\frac{0}{0}\right) \uparrow \text{L'H.} &\quad \left(\frac{0}{0}\right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \uparrow \text{L'H.} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2e^{x^2} + 2x \cdot e^{x^2} \cdot 2x + \cos x}{25 \cos(5x)} = \frac{3}{25}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$f'(x) = \begin{cases} 2ax & x < 2 \\ -\frac{36}{(x+1)^2} & x > 2 \end{cases}$$

For all  $a, b$ ,  
 $f$  is differentiable  
 everywhere  
 but at  $x=2$

3. Consider the function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} ax^2 + b, & x < 2 \\ \frac{36}{x+1}, & x \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

(a) Determine the numbers  $a$  and  $b$  so that  $y = f(x)$  is differentiable for all  $x$ .

Cont. at 2:  $4a + b = 12$

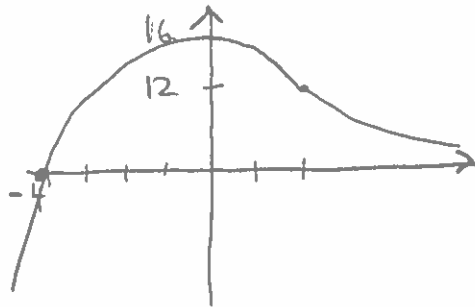
Diff. at 2:  $4a = -4$

$a = -1$ ,  $b = 12 - 4a = 16$

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -x^2 + 16 & x < 2 \\ -\frac{36}{(x+1)} & x \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

(b) Assume the values of  $a$  and  $b$  obtained in (a). Sketch the graph of the function  $f$  using the first derivative and determine its range.

$f$  is decreasing for  $x \geq 2$  (as its derivative  
 $f'(x) = -\frac{36}{(x+1)^2} < 0$ ), and is a quadratic parabola  
 for  $x < 2$ .



Range:  $(-\infty, 16]$

(c) Determine the range of the composite function  $y = f\left(\frac{2}{\pi} \arctan x\right)$ .

$\arctan x$  has range  $(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2})$ , so  $\frac{2}{\pi} \arctan x$  has range  $(-1, 1)$ ,  
 $f\left(\frac{2}{\pi} \arctan x\right)$  has range  $[15, 16]$

4. In all parts of this problem, the function  $f$  is given by  $f(x) = \frac{x+1}{\sqrt{x}} = x^{1/2} + x^{-1/2}$ .

(a) Determine the domain of  $y = f(x)$ . Compute  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x)$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)$ .

Domain:  $(0, \infty)$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = \infty \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} (\infty) \\ (\text{small} > 0) \end{array} \right)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \infty$$

(b) Determine the intervals on which  $y = f(x)$  is increasing and the intervals on which it is decreasing. Identify all local extrema.

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2} - \frac{1}{2}x^{-3/2} = \frac{1}{2}x^{-3/2}(x-1) \quad \text{c.p. : } x=1$$

	$(0, 1)$	$(1, \infty)$
$f'$	-	+
$f$	↘	↗

$(1, 2)$  local (and global) min

(c) Determine the intervals on which  $y = f(x)$  is concave up and the intervals on which it is concave down. Identify all inflection points.

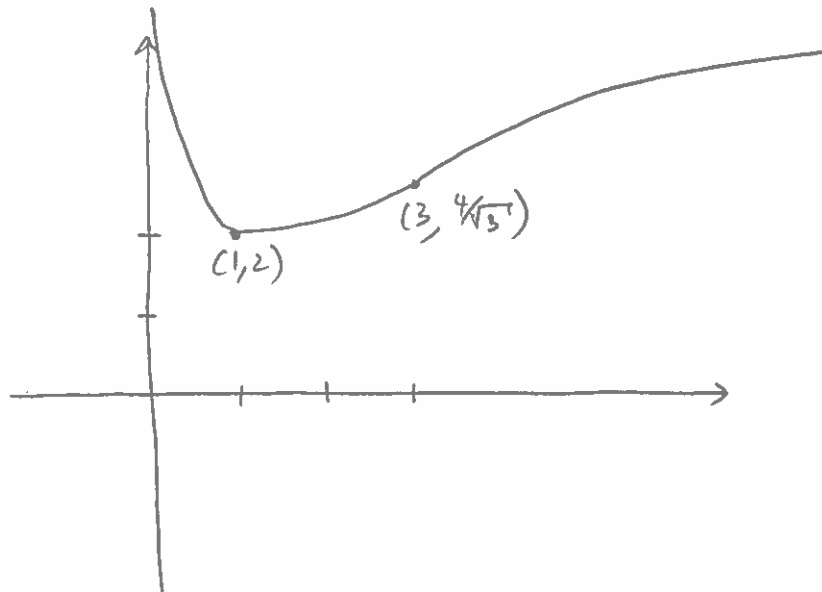
$$f''(x) = -\frac{1}{4}x^{-3/2} + \frac{3}{4}x^{-5/2} = -\frac{1}{4}x^{-5/2}(x-3)$$

$f''(x) = 0$  at  $x=3$

	$(0, 3)$	$(3, \infty)$
$f''$	+	-
$f$	∪ c. up	∩ c. down

$(3, \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}})$  inflection pt.

(d) (Still: the function  $f$  is given by  $f(x) = \frac{x+1}{\sqrt{x}} = x^{1/2} + x^{-1/2}$ .) Sketch the graph of  $y = f(x)$ . Compute all necessary limits and label all points of importance on the graph. (You may use  $f(3) = 4/\sqrt{3} \approx 2.3$ .)



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(e) Determine the range of  $f$ .

$[2, \infty)$

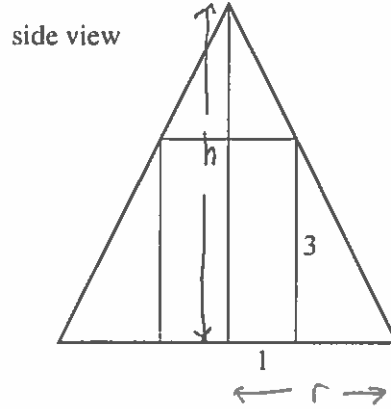
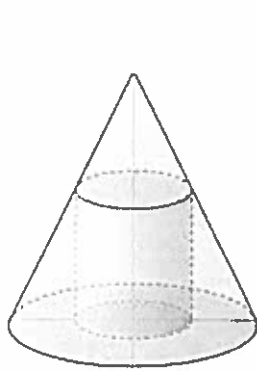
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(f) Is  $y = f(x)$  one-to-one on  $(0, 1)$ ?

Yes. It is (strictly) decreasing,  
with  $f'(x) < 0$  on  $(0, 1)$ .

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5. A cylinder is inscribed in a cone. The cylinder has height 3 inches and radius of the base 1 inch. Determine the dimensions of such cone with the smallest volume. *Justify all your conclusions.* (Hint. Recall that the volume of a cone with radius of the base  $r$  and height  $h$  is  $\frac{1}{3}\pi r^2 h$ . Use similar triangles.)



$$\frac{r}{h} = \frac{1}{h-3}$$

$$r = \frac{h}{h-3}$$

$$V = \frac{1}{3}\pi r^2 h = \frac{1}{3}\pi \cdot \frac{h^3}{(h-3)^2}$$

We need to minimize  $f(h) = \frac{h^3}{(h-3)^2}$  for  $h > 3$  ↓ 10

$$f'(h) = \frac{3h^2(h-3)^2 - 2(h-3)h^3}{(h-3)^4} = \frac{h^2(h-3)[3h-9-2h]}{(h-3)^4}$$

$$= \frac{h^2(h-9)}{(h-3)^3}$$

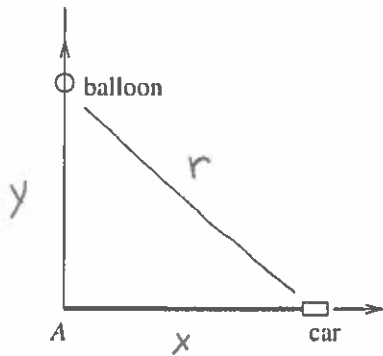
$f'(h) = 0$  when  $h = 9$   
(as we assume  $h > 3$ ) ↓ 10

	$(3, 9)$	$(9, \infty)$
$f'$	-	+
$f$	↘	↗

Global min at

$$\underline{\underline{h=9, r=\frac{3}{2}}}$$

6. A balloon is rising vertically above a straight road, starting at the point  $A$  in the figure. A car is slowly driving on the road *away* from  $A$ . At some point in time, the balloon is at 0.4 miles above  $A$ , rising at the speed of 5 mph, while the car is 0.3 miles from  $A$ , driving at the speed of 20 mph. Determine the speed at which the distance between the car and the balloon is changing at that instance. (Note:  $0.3^2 = 0.09$ ,  $0.4^2 = 0.16$ ,  $0.5^2 = 0.25$ .)



$$r^2 = x^2 + y^2$$

$$2r \frac{dr}{dt} = 2x \frac{dx}{dt} + 2y \frac{dy}{dt}$$

$$\frac{dr}{dt} = \frac{x}{r} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{y}{r} \frac{dy}{dt}$$

When  $x = 0.3$  and  $y = 0.4$ ,  $r = \sqrt{0.3^2 + 0.4^2} = 0.5$ .

Plug in:  $x = 0.3$ ,  $\frac{dx}{dt} = 20$ ,  $y = 0.4$ ,  $\frac{dy}{dt} = 5$ ,  $r = 0.5$ :

$$\frac{dr}{dt} = 2(0.3 \cdot 20 + 0.4 \cdot 5) = 2 \cdot 8 = \underline{\underline{16}}$$

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(b) At what rate is the area of the triangle determined by the balloon, the car, and point  $A$  changing at the same moment?

$$A = \frac{1}{2}xy$$

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$$\frac{dA}{dt} = \frac{1}{2} \left( x \frac{dy}{dt} + y \frac{dx}{dt} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (0.3 \cdot 5 + 0.4 \cdot 20) = \frac{9.5}{2} = \underline{\underline{4.75}}$$



7. In all parts of this problem, the function  $f$  is given by  $f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 1}{x^2} = 1 + x^{-2}$ .

(a) Identify the domain, monotonicity and concavity properties of this function and sketch its graph.

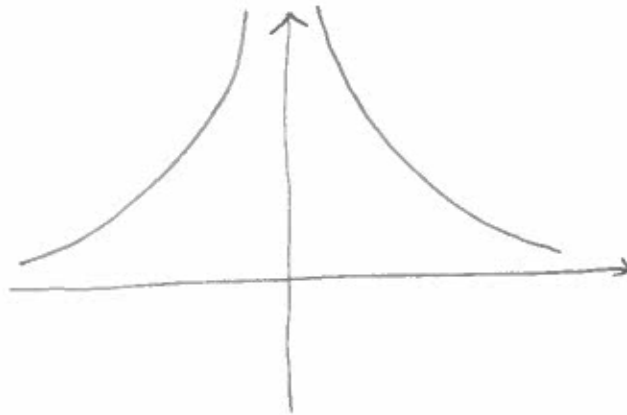
Domain :  $x \neq 0$

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

$$f'(x) < 0 \quad \text{on } (0, \infty), \quad f \downarrow$$

$$f'(x) > 0 \quad \text{on } (-\infty, 0), \quad f \uparrow$$

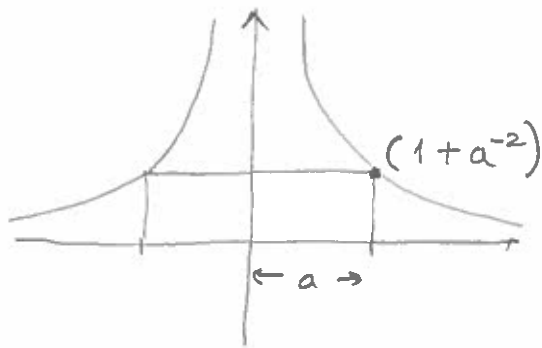
$$f''(x) = 6x^{-4} > 0 \quad f \text{ is always concave up}$$



(b) Is this function odd, even, or neither?

The function is even :  $f(-x) = f(x)$ . 3

(c) (Still: the function  $f$  is given by  $f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 1}{x^2} = 1 + x^{-2}$ .) What is the smallest area of a rectangle with two of its vertices on the  $x$ -axis and two of its vertices on the graph of  $y = f(x)$ ?



$$\underline{a > 0}$$

$$A = 2a(1 + a^{-2}), \quad a > 0$$

$$= 2(a + a^{-1}) \quad \text{minimize on } (0, \infty)$$

$$\frac{dA}{da} = 2(1 - a^{-2}) = 0 \quad \text{when } a = 1$$

	$(0, 1)$	$(1, \infty)$
$\frac{dA}{da}$	-	+
$A$	↘	↗

Global min at  $a = 1$ , and the minimal area is  $2 \cdot 2 = \underline{\underline{4}}$

8. Provide straightforward, and *fully justified*, answers to the following questions. In each of them, assume that  $y = f(x)$  is a continuous function defined for all  $x$ , and  $f'(x)$  and  $f''(x)$  exist and are continuous for all  $x$ . (Note: assumptions in (a) apply only to (a); the same is true for (b) and (c).)

(a)  $f(-3) = 5$ ,  $f(3) = -2$ , and  $f'(x) < 0$  for all  $x$ . How many  $x$ -intercepts does  $f$  have?

By Rolle, as  $f'(x)$  is never 0,  $f$  can have at most 1  $x$ -intercept. But  $f(-3) > 0$  and  $f(3) < 0$ , so by IVT  $f$  has at least one intercept.

Answer: 1.

(b)  $f''(x) > 0$  for all  $x$ . Is it possible that  $f$  is one-to-one? (Either prove that it is not possible or give an example of such a function.)

Yes  $f(x) = e^x$  has  $f''(x) = e^x > 0$ , and  $f'(x) = e^x > 0$  so it is one-to-one.

(c)  $f(1) = 4$ ,  $f(3) = 8$ ,  $f''(x) \geq 1$  for all  $x$ . How many solutions does the equation  $f'(x) = 2$  have?

By MVT, there is a  $c$  in  $(1, 3)$  so that  $f'(c) = \frac{f(3) - f(1)}{3 - 1} = 2$ . Moreover, by Rolle, applied to  $f'$ ,  $f'(x) = 2$  can have at most one solution. Answer: 1.