

1. (28pts) The following problems are not related.

(a)(12pts) Use limits to find all *vertical asymptotes* of $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 4}{x^2 + 5x - 14}$. Justify your answer with limits.

(b)(12pts) Use the Quotient Rule to find the derivative of $g(x) = \frac{2x + 1}{x^2 - 1}$. Simplify your answer, show all work.

(c)(4pts) The function $h(x) = \sqrt{1 - x^2}$ has a *vertical tangent* at which choice below? **Choose only one answer, no justification necessary, copy down the entire answer. If you do not copy down the entire answer, points will be deducted.**

(A) $x = -1, 0, 1$ (B) $x = -1, 1$ (C) $x = \frac{1}{2}$ (D) $-1 \leq x \leq 1$ (E) None of these

Solution: (a)(12pts) Factoring yields

$$\frac{x^2 - 4}{x^2 + 5x - 14} = \frac{(x - 2)(x + 2)}{(x - 2)(x + 7)} = \frac{x + 2}{x + 7}$$

so we have a removable discontinuity at $x = 2$ and note that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -7^-} \frac{x^2 - 4}{x^2 + 5x - 14} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -7^-} \frac{x + 2}{x + 7} = +\infty \text{ and } \lim_{x \rightarrow -7^+} \frac{x^2 - 4}{x^2 + 5x - 14} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -7^+} \frac{x + 2}{x + 7} = -\infty$$

thus we have a vertical asymptote at $x = -7$.

(b)(12pts) By the Quotient Rule,

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{2x + 1}{x^2 - 1} \right] = \frac{2 \cdot (x^2 - 1) - (2x + 1) \cdot 2x}{(x^2 - 1)^2} = \frac{(2x^2 - 2) - (4x^2 + 2x)}{(x^2 - 1)^2} = \frac{-2x^2 - 2x - 2}{(x^2 - 1)^2} = \frac{-2(x^2 + x + 1)}{(x^2 - 1)^2}$$

(c)(4pts) Choice B. Note that

$$h'(x) = \frac{1}{2}(1 - x^2)^{-1/2} \cdot (-2x) = \frac{-x}{\sqrt{1 - x^2}}$$

and

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -1^+} \frac{-x}{\sqrt{1 - x^2}} = +\infty \text{ and } \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{-x}{\sqrt{1 - x^2}} = -\infty$$

thus $h(x)$ has vertical tangents at $x = \pm 1$.

2. (24pts) The following problems are not related.

(a)(12pts) The position function of a particle (in meters) at time t seconds is given by $s(t) = t^3 - 4.5t^2 - 7t$, $t \geq 0$. When does the particle reach a velocity of 5 meters/sec? Show all work.

(b)(12pts) Chip flies a kite at a constant height of 150 ft above the ground with the wind carrying the kite horizontally away from Chip at a rate of 25 ft/sec. How fast must Chip let out the string when 250 ft of string is out? Simplify your answer.

Solution: (a)(12pts) Note that $v(t) = s'(t) = 3t^2 - 9t - 7$ and

$$v(t) = 5 \Rightarrow 3t^2 - 9t - 7 = 5 \Rightarrow 3t^2 - 9t - 12 = 0 \Rightarrow 3(t^2 - 3t - 4) \Rightarrow 3(t + 1)(t - 4) = 0 \Rightarrow t = -1, 4$$

thus the particle reaches a velocity of 5 m/sec when $t = 4$ seconds.

(b)(12pts) The kite string, z , forms the hypotenuse of a right triangle. We are given $\frac{dx}{dt} = 25$ ft/sec and wish to find $\frac{dz}{dt}$ when $z = 250$ ft. Note that

$$z^2 = x^2 + 150^2 \Rightarrow 2z \frac{dz}{dt} = 2x \frac{dx}{dt} \Rightarrow \frac{dz}{dt} = \frac{x}{z} \frac{dx}{dt}$$

and when $z = 250$ we have a "3-4-5" right triangle and so $x = 4 \cdot 50 = 200$, that is,

$$250^2 = x^2 + 150^2 \Rightarrow (5 \cdot 50)^2 = x^2 + (3 \cdot 50)^2 \Rightarrow x^2 = (4 \cdot 50)^2 \Rightarrow x = 4 \cdot 50 = 200.$$

Thus

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = \frac{x}{z} \frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{200}{250} \cdot 25 = 20 \text{ ft/sec}$$

so Chip must let the string out at 20 ft/sec.

3. (28pts) The following problems are not related.

(a)(12pts) The radius of a circular disk is given as 12 cm with a maximum error in measurement of +0.2 cm. Use differentials to estimate the maximum error in the calculated area of the disk. Show all work. Simplify your answer, you may give your answer in terms of π .

(b)(12pts) Find dy/dx by implicit differentiation given that $\cos(xy) = 1 + \sin(y)$. Simplify your answer.

(c)(4pts) The function $f(x) = \frac{3x+1}{x+\sqrt{4x^2+5}}$ has a *horizontal asymptote* at which choice below? **Choose only one answer, no justification necessary, copy down the entire answer. If you do not copy down the entire answer, points will be deducted.**

(A) $y=3$ (B) $y=1$ (C) $y=3$ and $y=1$ (D) $y=-3$ and $y=1$ (E) None of these

Solution: (a)(12pts) Note that the area of a circle is $A = \pi r^2$ and $\Delta r = +0.2$ cm when $r = 12$ cm thus

$$A = \pi r^2 \Rightarrow dA = 2\pi r dr \Big|_{r=12, dr=\Delta r=0.2} = 2\pi \cdot 12 \cdot (0.2) = 4.8\pi \text{ cm}^2$$

thus the maximum error in the calculated area of the disk will be approximately $4.8\pi \text{ cm}^2$.

(b)(12pts) Differentiating both sides with respect to x yields

$$-\sin(xy) \cdot [1 \cdot y + xy'] = 0 + \cos(y) \cdot y' \Rightarrow -y \sin(xy) = [\cos(y) + x \sin(xy)] y'$$

thus $y' = \frac{-y \sin(xy)}{\cos(y) + x \sin(xy)}$.

(c)(4pts) **Choice D.** Note that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3x+1}{x+\sqrt{4x^2+5}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x(3+1/x)}{x+2|x|\sqrt{1+5/4x^2}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x(3+1/x)}{x+2x\sqrt{1+5/4x^2}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\cancel{x}(3+1/x)}{\cancel{x}(1+2\sqrt{1+5/4x^2})} = \frac{3}{1+2} = 1$$

thus $y = 1$ is a horizontal asymptote of $f(x)$ and, similarly,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{3x+1}{x+\sqrt{4x^2+5}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{x(3+1/x)}{x+2|x|\sqrt{1+5/4x^2}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{x(3+1/x)}{x-2x\sqrt{1+5/4x^2}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{\cancel{x}(3+1/x)}{\cancel{x}(1-2\sqrt{1+5/4x^2})} = \frac{3}{1-2} = -3.$$

thus $y = -3$ is also a horizontal asymptote of $f(x)$.

4. (20pts) The following problems are not related.

(a)(12pts) Find the absolute minimum and maximum values of $f(x) = x\sqrt{3+2x}$ on the interval $[-1.5, 3]$. Give your answer in the form (x, y) . Show all work, justify your answers and clearly label your answers.

(b)(8pts) If $f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sec(x+h) - \sec(x)}{h}$, find $f'(\pi/4)$. Justify your answer, show all work.

Solution:

(a)(12pts) Since $f(x)$ is continuous, we can use the Closed Interval Method. Now note, by the product rule, we have

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{d}{dx} [x \cdot (3+2x)^{1/2}] = 1 \cdot (3+2x)^{1/2} + x \cdot \frac{1}{2}(3+2x)^{-1/2} \cdot 2 \\ &= (3+2x)^{1/2} + \frac{x}{(3+2x)^{1/2}} = \frac{(3+2x) + x}{\sqrt{3+2x}} = \frac{3+3x}{\sqrt{3+2x}} = \frac{3(1+x)}{\sqrt{3+2x}} \end{aligned}$$

so we have critical points when $f'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow x = -1$ and when $f'(x)$ is undefined, *i.e.* when $\sqrt{3+2x} = 0 \Rightarrow x = -3/2$. Now we need to check the value of $f(x)$ at the critical points and the endpoints:

$$\begin{aligned} f(-3/2) = f(-1.5) &= 0 \\ f(-1) &= -1 \Rightarrow \boxed{\text{abs. min at } (-1, -1) \text{ and abs. max at } (3, 9).} \\ f(3) &= 9 \end{aligned}$$

(b)(8pts) Here we have

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sec(x+h) - \sec(x)}{h} = f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \Rightarrow f(x) = \sec(x) \Rightarrow f'(x) = \sec(x) \tan(x)$$

thus $\boxed{f'(\pi/4) = \sec(\pi/4) \tan(\pi/4) = \sqrt{2} \cdot 1 = \sqrt{2}.}$
