MA 125, CALCULUS I April 14, 2014



No calculators are permitted!

PART I - Basic Skills

Part I consists of 7 questions. Clearly write your answer in the space provided after each question. You must explain your answers!!!

Each question is worth 7 points.

<u>Question 1</u>

Find the absolute minimum value of the function $f(x) = 2x^3 - 3x^2$ on the closed interval [-2, 2]. (Be sure to give the *y*-coordinate!)

Answer:

<u>Question 2</u>

Find the number c whose existence is guaranteed by the Mean Value Theorem for the function $f(x) = x^3 + x$ on the interval [-1, 1].

<u>Question 3</u>

Find the critical number(s) of the function $f(x) = \frac{x^3 + 1}{x^3 - 1}$.

Answer:

Question 4

Find the open interval on which the function $g(x) = xe^x$ is decreasing. (Clearly indicate the end-points of your interval!)

Answer:

<u>Question 5</u>

Find the part of the x-axis on which the function $h(x) = \frac{1}{20}x^5 - \frac{1}{6}x^3$ is concave up.

Answer:

<u>Question 6</u>

Find the most general antiderivative of the function $f(x) = e^x + \frac{1}{1+x^2}$.

Answer:

$\underline{\text{Question } 7}$

Find two positive numbers whose product is 9 and whose sum is minimal.

PART II - Problem Solving Skills

Points for each problem are indicated

Part II consists of 4 problems. You must show your work to get full credit. Displaying only the final answer (even if correct) without the relevant steps will not get full credit.

$\underline{Problem 1}$ [16 points]

Suppose that the **derivative** of a function f is given by

$$f'(x) = (x-2)^4 (x+1)^3$$

Answer all the following questions.

(a) Find all the critical numbers of the function f.

(b) On what interval(s) is the function f increasing? (Justify your answer!)

(c) On what interval(s) is the function f decreasing?

(d) Find the x-coordinates of all local max and min of the function. (Justify your answer!)

$\underline{Problem \ 2} \ [10 \text{ points}]$

Find the dimensions of the open top box with a square base whose volume is $1000 m^3$ so that its surface area is minimal.

$\underline{Problem \ 3} \ [10 \ points]$

An object moves along a straight line with acceleration

$$a(t) = 3t + 1.$$

Use antiderivatives to answer the following questions.

(a) Find the velocity function v(t) of the object if its initial velocity v(0) = 3.

(b) Find the position function s(t) of the object if its initial position s(0) = 0.

$\underline{Problem 4}$ [16 points]

Consider the function f given by

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2}{x^2 - 4}$$

Answer all the following questions.

- (a) Find the x and y-intercept(s) of the curve.
- (b) Find, if any, the vertical and horizontal asymptote(s) of the curve.
- (c) Find the (open) interval(s) of increase, and the (open) interval(s) of decrease.

(d) Find, if any, all local maximum and minimum value(s). [Be sure to give the *y*-coordinate(s)!]

(g) Use the information from parts (a)–(d) above to sketch the graph.