

**MATH 249(L 01)**  
**Midterm A**

**TIME:** 55 minutes

**Fall 2010**

**SOLUTION**

1. If  $\cos \theta = -\frac{2}{5}$  and  $\pi < \theta < 2\pi$  find  $\sin \theta$  and  $\cot(2\theta)$ . NO CALCULATORS!

$$\text{Since } \pi < \theta < 2\pi \quad \sin \theta = -\sqrt{1 - \cos^2 \theta} = -\sqrt{1 - \frac{4}{25}} = -\frac{\sqrt{21}}{5}$$

$$\text{then } \cot(2\theta) = \frac{\cos(2\theta)}{\sin(2\theta)} \quad \text{using double angles formulae}$$

$$\cot(2\theta) = \frac{\cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta}{2 \cos \theta \sin \theta} = \frac{\frac{4}{25} - \frac{21}{25}}{2 \cdot \left(\frac{-2}{5}\right) \left(\frac{-\sqrt{21}}{5}\right)} = \frac{-17}{4\sqrt{21}}.$$

2. For  $y = \sin\left(\frac{x^2}{2}\right)$  find the second derivative  $y''$ .

$$\text{using Chain Rule} \quad y' = \left[ \sin\left(\frac{x^2}{2}\right) \right]' = \cos\left(\frac{x^2}{2}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}x^2\right)' = x \cos\left(\frac{x^2}{2}\right)$$

$$\text{then Product and Chain Rules } y'' = (x)' \cos\left(\frac{x^2}{2}\right) + x \left[ \cos\left(\frac{x^2}{2}\right) \right]' = 1 \cdot \cos\left(\frac{x^2}{2}\right) + x \left[ -\sin\left(\frac{x^2}{2}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}x^2\right)' \right]$$

$$y'' = \cos\left(\frac{x^2}{2}\right) - x^2 \sin\left(\frac{x^2}{2}\right).$$

3. Find the limit  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{\cos(2x^2 + 3)}{2x^2 + 3}$ , if it exists. Explain what rule or theorem you used

since the limit of the top DNE try to use Squeeze Th.

$$\text{since } -1 \leq \cos(2x^2 + 3) \leq 1 \quad \frac{-1}{2x^2 + 3} \leq \frac{\cos(2x^2 + 3)}{2x^2 + 3} \leq \frac{1}{2x^2 + 3}$$

$$\text{and } \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{\pm 1}{2x^2 + 3} = 0 \quad \text{also } \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{\cos(2x^2 + 3)}{2x^2 + 3} = 0.$$

4. Locate a root of  $p(x) = x^5 + 3x^3 + 60$  i.e.

check some values:

$$p(0) = 60 \quad p(-1) = 54 \quad p(-2) = 4 \text{ positive} \quad p(-3) = \text{negative}$$

since  $p(x)$  is continuous we can apply IVT- Intermediate Value Theorem to the interval  $[-3, -2]$

and there is  $c \in (-3, -2)$  such that  $p(c) = 0$ .

5. For

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}x\right) & \text{for } x > 3 \\ ax^2 + b & \text{for } -1 \leq x \leq 3 \\ \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{x}\right) & \text{for } x < -1 \end{cases}.$$

we have to check the continuity at  $x = 3$  and  $x = -1$

$$f(3) = 9a + b = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} (ax^2 + 9) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}x\right) = \sin\frac{3}{2}\pi = -1 \rightarrow 9a + b = -1$$

$$f(-1) = a + b = \lim_{x \rightarrow -1^+} (ax^2 + 9) = \lim_{x \rightarrow -1^-} \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{x}\right) = \cos(-2\pi) = 1 \rightarrow a + b = 1$$

now solve the system  $9a + b = -1$   $a + b = 1$  subtract the second from the first equation

$$8a = -2 \quad a = \frac{-1}{4} \quad b = 1 - a = \frac{5}{4}.$$

6. Sketch the graph of ONE function satisfying all the following conditions:

(a)  $f$  is defined on  $[0, +\infty)$

(b)  $f$  is discontinuous at  $x = 2, 3, 4$  where  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = 0$ ,

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x)$  DNE(does not exist), otherwise continuous

(c)  $x = 4$  is a vertical asymptote and  $y = 2$  is a horizontal asymptote

(d)  $f$  is not differentiable at  $x = 1, 2, 3, 4$  (no  $f'(1)$ ) otherwise differentiable and  $f'(x) = 0$  for all  $x \in (4, 5)$ , also  $f'(5) = 0$ .

(e)  $f$  is decreasing on  $(1, 2)$  and  $(5, \infty)$ ;  $f$  is increasing on  $(0, 1)$ , on  $(2, 3)$  and on  $(3, 4)$

(f) the minimum value is  $-1$ .

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