

MATH 251
PRACTICE MIDTERM - SOLUTIONS

1. Solve the following inequality:

$$(a) |x - 2| < 1, \quad (b) x - 2 \leq \frac{-1}{x + 1}.$$

Solution: (a) The distance between x and 2 is less than 1, so $x \in (2 - 1, 2 + 1) = (1, 3)$.

OR: If the absolute value of a number is less than 1, it must lie between -1 and 1, so $-1 < x - 2 < 1$. Now $-1 + 2 < x < 1 + 2$, $1 < x < 3$.

Answer: $x \in (1, 3)$.

(b) First bring everything to one side:

$$x - 2 + \frac{1}{x + 1} \leq 0.$$

Simplify:

$$\frac{(x - 2)(x + 1) + 1}{x + 1} \leq 0; \quad \frac{x^2 - x - 1}{x + 1} \leq 0; \quad \frac{(x - \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2})(x - \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2})}{x + 1} \leq 0.$$

Testing:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & - & & + & & - & & + \\ \hline & -1 & & \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} & & \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} & & \end{array}$$

Here $-1 < \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}$, since $-2 < 1 - \sqrt{5}$, since $\sqrt{5} < 3$, since $5 < 9$.

The point $x = -1$ does not belong to the solution set, since it is not in the domain.

Answer: $x \in (-\infty, -1) \cup [\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}, \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}]$.

2. Find all horizontal and vertical asymptotes of

$$(a) f(x) = \frac{x^2}{x - 1} - \frac{x^2 + 1}{x + 1}, \quad (b) f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{9x^2 + x + 5}}{x + 2}.$$

Solution: A vertical asymptote of the graph of $y = f(x)$ is such a vertical line $x = a$ that either $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x) = \infty$, or $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x) = -\infty$, or $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x) = \infty$, or $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x) = -\infty$. In particular, if $x = a$ is a vertical asymptote of f then f must be discontinuous at $x = a$.

A horizontal asymptote of the graph of $y = f(x)$ is such a horizontal line $y = b$ that either $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = b$ or $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = b$. In particular, there can be at most two horizontal asymptotes, namely the horizontal asymptotes $y = b_1$ and $y = b_2$ if $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = b_1$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = b_2$, and $b_1 \neq b_2$ (if $b_1 = b_2$ then $y = b_1$ is a unique horizontal asymptote).

(a) Since f is continuous at all points $x \neq 1, -1$, the only vertical asymptotes of the graph of $y = f(x)$ can be $x = 1$ or $x = -1$. We still must check whether $x = 1$ and $x = -1$ are indeed vertical asymptotes, so we must find out whether a one-sided limit of f at these points is ∞ or $-\infty$ or neither. We have

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} = \frac{1}{0^+} - \frac{2}{2} = \infty - 1 = \infty$$

(and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} = \frac{1}{0^-} - \frac{2}{2} = -\infty - 1 = -\infty$), so the line $x = 1$ is indeed a vertical asymptote;

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -1^+} = \frac{1}{-1-1} - \frac{2}{0^+} = -\frac{1}{2} - \infty = -\infty$$

(and $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1^-} = \frac{1}{-1-1} - \frac{2}{0^-} = -\frac{1}{2} + \infty = \infty$), so the line $x = -1$ is indeed a vertical asymptote.

To find the horizontal asymptotes, let us calculate $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x)$:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2}{x-1} - \frac{x^2+1}{x+1} = \frac{\infty}{\infty} - \frac{\infty}{\infty}.$$

Since the limit has indefinite type, we must simplify f :

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

Thus

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x^2-x+1}{x^2-1} = \frac{\infty}{\infty}$$

Divide both numerator and denominator by x^2 , which is the highest power of x :

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2 - \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{x^2}}{1 - \frac{1}{x^2}} = \frac{2-0+0}{1-0} = 2.$$

Similarly

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{2 - \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{x^2}}{1 - \frac{1}{x^2}} = \frac{2-0+0}{1-0} = 2.$$

Since both limits of $f(x)$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$ and $x \rightarrow -\infty$ equal 2, the graph of $y = f(x)$ has a unique horizontal asymptote $y = 2$.

Answer: The vertical asymptotes are $x = -1$ and $x = 1$, and the horizontal asymptote is $y = 2$.

(b) First find the domain of f . The discriminant of $9x^2 + x + 5$ equals $1 - 4 \cdot 9 \cdot 5 < 0$, so $9x^2 + x + 5$ is always positive, thus the numerator is continuous for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$. So the domain of f is $D_f = (-\infty, -2) \cup (-2, \infty)$.

Since f is continuous in its domain, the only vertical asymptote of the graph of $y = f(x)$ can be $x = -2$. We still must check whether $x = -2$ is indeed a vertical asymptote, so we must find out whether a one-sided limit of f at this point is ∞ or $-\infty$ or neither:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} = \frac{\sqrt{36-2+5}}{0^+} = \frac{\sqrt{39}}{0^+} = \infty$$

(and $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^-} = \frac{\sqrt{36-2+5}}{0^-} = \frac{\sqrt{39}}{0^-} = -\infty$), so the line $x = -2$ is indeed a vertical asymptote.

To find the horizontal asymptotes, let us calculate $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x)$:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{9x^2 + x + 5}}{x + 2} = \frac{\infty}{\infty},$$

If x is very large, $9x^2 + x + 5$ behaves as $9x^2$, so the numerator behaves as $\sqrt{9x^2} = 3x$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$. Divide both numerator and denominator by x , which is the highest power of x :

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{\sqrt{9x^2+x+5}}{x}}{1 + \frac{2}{x}}$$

Since $x \rightarrow \infty$, x is positive, so we have $x = \sqrt{x^2}$ (with the plus sign), so

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{\sqrt{9x^2+x+5}}{\sqrt{x^2}}}{1 + \frac{2}{x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{\frac{9x^2+x+5}{x^2}}}{1 + \frac{2}{x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{9 + \frac{1}{x} + \frac{5}{x^2}}}{1 + \frac{2}{x}} = \frac{\sqrt{9+0+0}}{1+0} = 3.$$

Similarly

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{\sqrt{9x^2 + x + 5}}{x + 2} = \frac{\infty}{-\infty} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{\frac{\sqrt{9x^2+x+5}}{x}}{1 + \frac{2}{x}}$$

Since $x \rightarrow -\infty$, x is negative, so we have $x = -\sqrt{x^2}$ (with the minus sign), so

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{\frac{\sqrt{9x^2+x+5}}{-\sqrt{x^2}}}{1 + \frac{2}{x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{-\sqrt{\frac{9x^2+x+5}{x^2}}}{1 + \frac{2}{x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{-\sqrt{9 + \frac{1}{x} + \frac{5}{x^2}}}{1 + \frac{2}{x}} = -\frac{\sqrt{9+0+0}}{1+0} = -3.$$

Thus the horizontal asymptotes of the graph of $y = f(x)$ are $y = 3$ and $y = -3$.

Answer: The vertical asymptote is $x = -2$, and the horizontal asymptotes are $y = 3$ and $y = -3$.

3. Find the following limits:

$$(a) \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{x^8 - 3x^5 + 2}{2x^8 + x^5 - 3} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{1 - \frac{3}{x^3} + \frac{2}{x^8}}{2 + \frac{1}{x^3} - \frac{3}{x^8}} = \frac{1 - 0 + 0}{2 + 0 - 0} = \frac{1}{2}.$$

$$(b) \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^3 - x^2 - 4}{x^2 - 4} = \frac{8 - 4 - 4}{4 - 4} = \frac{0}{0}$$

Since $x = 2$ is a root of the numerator, $x - 2$ is a factor of the numerator. To find another factor, we use long division of polynomials, thus $x^3 - x^2 - 4 = (x - 2)(x^2 + x + 2)$ and

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{(x - 2)(x^2 + x + 2)}{(x - 2)(x + 2)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^2 + x + 2}{x + 2} = \frac{4 + 2 + 2}{2 + 2} = 2.$$

$$(c) \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow -2^-} \frac{2x^2 + 3x + 1}{x^3 + x^2 + 4} = \frac{8 - 6 + 1}{-8 + 4 + 4} = \frac{3}{0}$$

We see that the limit DOES NOT EXIST, but we still must find out whether it is ∞ or $-\infty$ or neither. Since $x = -2$ is a root of the denominator, $x + 2$ is a factor of the denominator. To find another factor, we use long division of polynomials, thus $x^3 + x^2 + 4 = (x + 2)(x^2 - x + 2)$ and

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \frac{2x^2 + 3x + 1}{(x + 2)(x^2 - x + 2)} = \frac{8 - 6 + 1}{(0^-)(4 + 2 + 2)} = \frac{3}{8(0^-)} = -\infty, \quad \text{DNE.}$$

$$(d) \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{|x - 3| - 3}{2x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-(x - 3) - 3}{2x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-x + 3 - 3}{2x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-x}{2x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-1}{2} = -\frac{1}{2}.$$

$$(e) \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3x - \cos x}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(3 - \frac{\cos x}{x}\right)$$

Let us find the limit of $\frac{\cos x}{x}$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$. Since $-\frac{1}{x} \leq \frac{\cos x}{x} \leq \frac{1}{x}$ for $x > 0$, and the “squeezing” functions $-\frac{1}{x}$ and $\frac{1}{x}$ have the same limit 0 as $x \rightarrow \infty$, the function $\frac{\cos x}{x}$ is forced to have the same limit **by the Squeeze Theorem**. So, $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\cos x}{x} = 0$ and

$$= 3 - 0 = 3.$$

$$(f) \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\tan x - \tan \frac{\pi}{4}}{x - \frac{\pi}{4}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{0}{0}$$

The function $\frac{\tan x - \tan \frac{\pi}{4}}{x - \frac{\pi}{4}}$ is the Newton quotient $\frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a}$ for the function $f(x) = \tan x$ and the point $a = \frac{\pi}{4}$. Since the Newton quotient $\frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a}$ approaches $f'(a)$ as $x \rightarrow a$, we have

$$= f'\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = (\tan x)'|_{x=\frac{\pi}{4}} = \sec^2 \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{1}{\cos^2 \frac{\pi}{4}} = \frac{1}{1/2} = 2.$$

$$(g) \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x \sin \frac{1}{x} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{t} \sin t = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin t}{t} = 1.$$

$$(h) \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \sin \frac{1}{x}$$

Since $-|x| \leq x \sin \frac{1}{x} \leq |x|$ for any $x \neq 0$, and the “squeezing” functions $-|x|$ and $|x|$ have the same limit 0 as $x \rightarrow 0$, the function $x \sin \frac{1}{x}$ is forced to have the same limit **by the Squeeze Theorem**, so

$$= 0.$$

(i) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \sin \frac{1}{x}$ DNE,

since the function $y = \sin \frac{1}{x}$ oscillates between $y = -1$ and $y = 1$ infinitely many times as $x \rightarrow 0$.

4. Determine $k \in \mathbb{R}$ such that the function $g(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 - 4k & \text{if } x \leq 1, \\ x^3 + k^2 + 4 & \text{if } x > 1 \end{cases}$ is continuous.

Solution: The function g is piece-wise defined. Since g is a polynomial in the interval $(-\infty, 1]$, it is continuous at any point $x < 1$. Since g is a polynomial in the interval $(1, \infty)$, it is continuous at any point $x > 1$. The continuity at $x = 1$ means that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} g(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} g(x) = g(1)$. Now

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} g(x) = g(1) = (x^2 - 4k)|_{x=1} = 1 - 4k,$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} g(x) = (x^3 + k^2 + 4)|_{x=1} = 1 + k^2 + 4 = k^2 + 5.$$

So we must solve the equation $1 - 4k = k^2 + 5$ for k . We have $k^2 + 4k + 4 = 0$, $(k + 2)^2 = 0$, $k = -2$.

Answer: $k = -2$.

5. Differentiate the following functions. If possible, simplify your answers.

(a) $y = 3x^4 - 10x^{6/5}$, $y' = 3 \cdot 4x^3 - 10 \cdot \frac{6}{5}x^{1/5} = 12x^3 - 12x^{1/5}$.

(b) $y = \frac{-2}{x^3 + 2}$, $y' = \frac{2}{(x^3 + 2)^2} \cdot 3x^2 = \frac{3x^2}{(x^3 + 2)^2}$.

(c) $y = \frac{x^2 + 1}{x^3 - x + 5}$, $y' = \frac{2x(x^3 - x + 5) - (3x^2 - 1)(x^2 + 1)}{(x^3 - x + 5)^2} = \frac{-x^4 - 4x^2 + 10 + 1}{(x^3 - x + 5)^2}$.

(d) $y = |2x| = \begin{cases} 2x & \text{if } x > 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ -2x & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$, $y' = \begin{cases} 2 & \text{if } x > 0 \\ \text{DNE} & \text{if } x = 0 \\ -2 & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$

Here $y'(0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{|2x|}{x}$, but $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{|2x|}{x} = \frac{2x}{x} = 2$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{|2x|}{x} = \frac{-2x}{x} = -2$, thus the limit of $\frac{|2x|}{x}$ as $x \rightarrow 0$ does not exist, thus $y'(0)$ DOES NOT EXIST.

(e) $y = x^2 \sin(3x) + \cot^2\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$, $y' = 2x \sin(3x) + x^2 \cos(3x) \cdot 3 + 2 \cot\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \cdot \left(-\csc^2\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)\right) \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{x^2}\right)$
 $= 2x \sin(3x) + 3x^2 \cos(3x) + \frac{2}{x^2} \cot\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \cdot \csc^2\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$.

$$(f) \quad y = \frac{\tan(3x)}{x+7}, \quad y' = \frac{\sec^2(3x) \cdot 3(x+7) - \tan(3x)}{(x+7)^2} = \frac{3(x+7)\sec^2(3x) - \tan(3x)}{(x+7)^2}.$$

$$(g) \quad y = \frac{\cos x + 1}{\sin x + 1}, \quad y' = \frac{-\sin x(\sin x + 1) - \cos x(\cos x + 1)}{(\sin x + 1)^2} = \frac{-\sin^2 x - \sin x - \cos^2 x - \cos x}{(\sin x + 1)^2}$$

$$= \frac{-(\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x) - \sin x - \cos x}{(\sin x + 1)^2} = \frac{-1 - \sin x - \cos x}{(\sin x + 1)^2} = -\frac{1 + \sin x + \cos x}{(\sin x + 1)^2}.$$

$$(h) \quad y = \cos^3(x) \cos(x^3), \quad y' = 3 \cos^2 x \cdot (-\sin x) \cos(x^3) + \cos^3 x \cdot (-\sin(x^3) \cdot 3x^2)$$

$$= -3 \cos^2 x \cdot \sin x \cdot \cos(x^3) - 3x^2 \cos^3 x \cdot \sin(x^3).$$

$$(i) \quad y = \sec^2(x^2 + 5x), \quad y' = 2 \sec(x^2 + 5x) \cdot \sec(x^2 + 5x) \cdot \tan(x^2 + 5x) \cdot (2x + 5)$$

$$= (4x + 10) \sec^2(x^2 + 5x) \cdot \tan(x^2 + 5x).$$

$$(j) \quad y = \csc(\sqrt{x^2 + x}), \quad y' = -\csc(\sqrt{x^2 + x}) \cdot \cot(\sqrt{x^2 + x}) \cdot \frac{2x + 1}{2\sqrt{x^2 + x}}$$

$$= -\frac{2x + 1}{2\sqrt{x^2 + x}} \csc(\sqrt{x^2 + x}) \cdot \cot(\sqrt{x^2 + x}).$$

$$(k) \quad y = \sin^3(\cos x), \quad y' = 3 \sin^2(\cos x) \cdot \cos(\cos x) \cdot (-\sin x) = -3(\sin x) \sin^2(\cos x) \cdot \cos(\cos x).$$

6. (a) Estimate $\sqrt{103}$ using differentials.

Solution: Since $\sqrt{100} = 10$, it is useful to approximate the function $y = f(x) = \sqrt{x}$ near the point $x = a = 100$.

METHOD 1: Let us approximate the graph of $y = f(x)$ by its tangent line at the point $(a, f(a)) = (100, 10)$. The equation of this tangent line is

$$y = L(x) \quad \text{where} \quad L(x) = f(a) + f'(a) \cdot (x - a).$$

The function $L(x)$ is called the *linear approximation* of $f(x)$ at the point $x = a$. Now

$$L(x) = \sqrt{100} + \frac{x - 100}{2\sqrt{100}} = 10 + \frac{x - 100}{20}.$$

Since $f(x) \approx L(x)$ if the point x is close enough to a , we have

$$\sqrt{103} = f(103) \approx L(103) = 10 + \frac{3}{20} = 10.15$$

METHOD 2: If x increases at $\Delta x = dx$ then y increases at $\Delta y = f(x + \Delta x) - f(x)$. Since the Newton quotient $\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x}$ approaches $f'(x)$ as Δx approaches 0, we have

$$f'(x) \approx \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x}, \quad \Delta y \approx f'(x) \cdot \Delta x.$$

So $\Delta y \approx \frac{dy}{dx}dx = dy$. Let us find dy for $x = 100$ and $dx = 3$. Since $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$, we have

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}, \text{ thus}$$

$$dy|_{x=100, dx=3} = f'(x) \cdot dx|_{x=100, dx=3} = \left. \frac{dx}{2\sqrt{x}} \right|_{x=100, dx=3} = \frac{3}{20} = 0.15$$

Since $y = f(100) = \sqrt{100} = 10$ and $\Delta y \approx dy$, we have

$$\sqrt{103} = (y + \Delta y)|_{x=100, dx=3} \approx (y + dy)|_{x=100, dx=3} = 10 + 0.15 = 10.15$$

Answer: $\sqrt{103} \approx 10.15$

(b) Find the linear approximation to $f(x) = -x^2 + \cos x$ at $x_0 = \pi$. Find the Error of this linear approximation at $x = -\pi$.

Solution: Let us approximate the graph of $y = f(x)$ by its tangent line at the point $(x_0, y_0) = (\pi, f(\pi))$. The equation of this tangent line is

$$y = L(x) \quad \text{where} \quad L(x) = f(\pi) + f'(\pi) \cdot (x - \pi).$$

The function $L(x)$ is called the *linear approximation* of $f(x)$ at the point $x = \pi$. Since $f(\pi) = -\pi^2 - 1$ and $f'(x) = -2x - \sin x$, we have $f'(\pi) = -2\pi$ and

$$L(x) = -\pi^2 - 1 - 2\pi(x - \pi) = -\pi^2 - 1 - 2\pi x + 2\pi^2 = \pi^2 - 1 - 2\pi x$$

Since $f(x) \approx L(x)$ for any point x which is close enough to π , we have

$$f(x) \approx \pi^2 - 1 - 2\pi x \quad \text{if } x \text{ is close enough to } \pi.$$

The Error of this linear approximation at the point $x = -\pi$ equals

$$|f(-\pi) - L(-\pi)| = |-\pi^2 - 1 - (\pi^2 - 1 + 2\pi^2)| = |-4\pi^2| = 4\pi^2 \approx 36.$$

We got a large Error, since $-\pi$ is far away from π .

7. Find all intervals where the function $f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 - 6x + 2$ is increasing or decreasing.

Solution: $f'(x) = 3x^2 - 6x - 6 = 3(x^2 - 2x - 2)$. The roots of $f'(x)$ are $x = 1 + \sqrt{1+2} = 1 + \sqrt{3}$ and $x = 1 - \sqrt{3}$. Testing:

$$f' \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{+} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{+} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{-} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{-} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{+} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{array}$$

So

$$f \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{increases} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{decreases} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{increases} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{array}$$

Answer: f is increasing on $(-\infty, 1 - \sqrt{3})$ and $[1 + \sqrt{3}, \infty)$, and decreasing on $[1 - \sqrt{3}, 1 + \sqrt{3}]$.

8. Given the data in the following table, determine $(g \circ f)'(2)$

x	-1	0	2	5
$f(x)$	2	1	-1	7
$g(x)$	5	2	0	4
$f'(x)$	0	2	3	-1
$g'(x)$	4	5	2	5

Solution: By the Chain Rule, $(g \circ f)'(x) = (g(f(x)))' = g'(f(x)) \cdot f'(x)$. So,

$$(g \circ f)'(2) = g'(f(2)) \cdot f'(2)$$

From the table, we get $f(2) = -1$ and $f'(2) = 3$, so

$$= g'(-1) \cdot 3$$

From the table, we get $g'(-1) = 4$, so

$$= 4 \cdot 3 = 12.$$

Answer: 12.

9. Find the equation of the tangent line to the graph of

(a) $\tan(xy) + \sin y = x^2y + 2x - 2$ at the point $(1, 0)$;

(b) $y^2 + \sin y = x$ at the point (π^2, π) .

Solution: (a) First check that the point $(1, 0)$ satisfies the given equation: for $x = 1, y = 0$ the left hand side equals $\tan(0) + \sin 0 = 0 + 0 = 0$ and the right hand side equals $0 + 2 - 2 = 0$, so the point $(1, 0)$ belongs to the graph. Let us differentiate both sides of $\tan(xy) + \sin y = x^2y + 2x - 2$ with respect to x using the chain rule, remembering that y is a function of x :

$$\sec^2(xy) \cdot (y + xy') + \cos y \cdot y' = 2xy + x^2y' + 2.$$

In order to solve this equation for y' , we bring all terms containing y' to the left, and bring all terms which do not contain y' to the right:

$$(x \sec^2(xy) + \cos y - x^2)y' = -y \sec^2(xy) + 2xy + 2, \quad y' = \frac{-y \sec^2(xy) + 2xy + 2}{x \sec^2(xy) + \cos y - x^2}.$$

Substituting $x = 1, y = 0$, we obtain the slope of the tangent line at the point $(1, 0)$:

$$m = y'(1) = \frac{-y \sec^2(xy) + 2xy + 2}{x \sec^2(xy) + \cos y - x^2} \Bigg|_{\substack{x=1 \\ y=0}} = \frac{\sec 0 + 0 + 2}{\sec 0 + \cos 0 - 1} = \frac{1 + 0 + 2}{1 + 1 - 1} = 3.$$

So, the tangent line at the point $(1, 0)$ has slope $m = 3$. Therefore the equation of this tangent line is $y = m(x - 1) = 3(x - 1) = 3x - 3$.

Answer: $y = 3x - 3$.

(b) First check that the point (π^2, π) satisfies the given relation: $\pi^2 + \sin \pi = \pi^2$, so the point (π^2, π) belongs to the graph. Let us differentiate both sides of $y^2 + \sin y = x$ with respect to x using the chain rule, remembering that y is a function of x :

$$2yy' + y' \cos y = 1, \quad y'(2y + \cos y) = 1, \quad y' = \frac{1}{2y + \cos y}.$$

Substituting $x = \pi^2, y = \pi$, we obtain the slope of the tangent line at the point (π^2, π) :

$$m = y'(\pi^2) = \frac{1}{2y + \cos y} \Big|_{\substack{x = \pi^2 \\ y = \pi}} = \frac{1}{2\pi - 1}.$$

So, the tangent line at the point (π^2, π) has slope $m = \frac{1}{2\pi - 1}$. Therefore the equation of this tangent line is $y = m(x - \pi^2) + \pi = \frac{x - \pi^2}{2\pi - 1} + \pi = \frac{x - \pi^2 + 2\pi^2 - \pi}{2\pi - 1} = \frac{x + \pi^2 - \pi}{2\pi - 1}$.

Answer: $y = \frac{x + \pi^2 - \pi}{2\pi - 1}$.

10. Answer TRUE or FALSE for questions (a)–(e) and (g)–(m). **Do not write “T, F”.**

(a) If x_1, x_2 are any non-zero numbers and $x_1 < x_2$ then it follows that $\frac{1}{x_1} > \frac{1}{x_2}$. FALSE

(b) $2.\bar{9} < 3$ FALSE

(c) If f, g are discontinuous at $x = a$ then $f + g$ is discontinuous at $x = a$. FALSE

(d) If $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = \infty$ then f can not be continuous at $x = a$. TRUE

(e) If $g(x) = (f(x))^2$ is continuous then $f(x)$ must also be continuous. FALSE

(f) The Intermediate-Value Theorem allows us to conclude that the equation $3x^3 - x + 4 = 5$ has a solution in the interval a: $[-1, 0]$, b: $[0, 1]$, c: $[1, 2]$, d: None of these. b

(g) If f is continuous then f is differentiable. FALSE

(h) If $f(x) > g(x)$ then $f'(x) > g'(x)$. FALSE

(i) $(fgh)' = f'gh + fg'h + fgh'$. TRUE

(j) The function $f(x) = \sin x$ is continuous for all x . TRUE

(k) If $\frac{\pi}{4} < x < \frac{\pi}{2}$ then $\tan x > 1$. TRUE

- (l) $\tan\left(\frac{21\pi}{4}\right) > 0$ TRUE
- (m) $\tan(3.24) > 0$ TRUE
- (n) If $f(x) = \frac{2x-3}{x-2}$ for $x \neq 2$ then the range of f is $(-\infty, 2) \cup (2, \infty)$
- (o) If $f(x) = \frac{1}{x+2}$ for $x \neq -2$ and $(f \circ g)(x) = x$ then $g(x) =$ $\frac{1}{x} - 2$