

MTH 121 — Fall — 2004  
Essex County College — Division of Mathematics  
Test # 2<sup>1</sup> — Created December 6, 2004

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Show all work *clearly* and in *order*, and box your final answers. Justify your answers algebraically whenever possible. You have at most 80 minutes to take this 100 point exam. No cellular phones allowed.

1. (10 points) — Find the absolute maximum and minimum values of the function  $f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 + 1$  on the interval  $-\frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq 4$ .

Solution: Using the **Closed Interval Method**.

- (a) Find the values of  $f(x)$  at the critical numbers of  $f(x)$  in the open interval  $(-\frac{1}{2}, 4)$ . Since  $f'(x) = 3x^2 - 6x$  the critical numbers are  $x = 0$  and  $x = 2$ . Evaluating  $f(0) = 1$  and  $f(2) = -3$ .
- (b) Find the values of  $f(x)$  at the endpoints of the closed interval  $[-\frac{1}{2}, 4]$ . Evaluating  $f(-\frac{1}{2}) = \frac{1}{8}$  and  $f(4) = 17$ .
- (c) The largest value of  $f(x)$  from the above two steps is the absolute maximum value; the smallest these values is the absolute minimum.

Answer: The absolute maximum is:  $f(4) = 17$ ; and the absolute minimum is  $f(2) = -3$ .

2. (15 points) — Given  $f(x) = x^2 + 5x + 9$ , verify the following:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n \left[ \frac{8}{n} \cdot f\left(-3 + \frac{8i}{n}\right) \right] = \frac{488}{3}$$

Solution: First evaluate  $f\left(-3 + \frac{8i}{n}\right)$ .

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n \left[ \frac{8}{n} \cdot f\left(-3 + \frac{8i}{n}\right) \right] = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n \left[ \frac{8}{n} \cdot \left( \frac{64i^2 - 8ni + 3n^2}{n^2} \right) \right]$$

Next, simplify the summand.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n \left[ \frac{8}{n} \cdot \left( \frac{64i^2 - 8ni + 3n^2}{n^2} \right) \right] = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n \left[ \frac{512}{n^3} \cdot i^2 - \frac{64}{n^2} \cdot i + \frac{24}{n} \right]$$

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Next, evaluate the sum.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n \left[ \frac{512}{n^3} \cdot i^2 - \frac{64}{n^2} \cdot i + \frac{24}{n} \right] = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \frac{512}{n^3} \cdot \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} - \frac{64}{n^2} \cdot \frac{n(n+1)}{2} + \frac{24}{n} \cdot n \right]$$

Next, simplify and evaluate the limit.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \frac{256}{3} \left( 2 + \frac{3}{n} + \frac{1}{n^2} \right) - 32 \left( 1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) + 24 \right] = \frac{256}{3} \cdot 2 - 32 + 24 = \frac{488}{3}$$

Q.E.D.

3. (15 points) — A cylindrical can is to be made to hold one liter of oil. Find the dimension that will minimize the cost of the metal to manufacture the can.<sup>2</sup>

Solution: The cost, assuming the can's top, bottom, and side are made from the same material, is equivalent to minimizing the surface area. The can's surface area is:

$$S = 2\pi r^2 + 2\pi r h$$

Unfortunately there's two variables and we to find a relationship to rewrite  $S$  in terms of either  $r$  or  $h$  only. Using  $V = 1,000 = \pi r^2 h$ , and solving for  $h = \frac{1,000}{\pi r^2}$ , then substituting into  $S = 2\pi r^2 + 2\pi r h$ , yields:

$$S(r) = 2\pi r^2 + 2\pi r \left( \frac{1,000}{\pi r^2} \right) = 2\pi r^2 + 2,000r^{-1}$$

The variable  $r$  is contained on the open interval  $(0, \infty)$ , and we just need to find the critical numbers by taking the derivative of  $S(r)$ , and solving  $S'(r) = 0$  or  $S'(r) = \text{DNE}$ .

$$S'(r) = 4\pi r - 2,000r^{-2}$$

There's only one critical number contained in the open interval  $(0, \infty)$ ,  $r = \sqrt[3]{\frac{500}{\pi}}$ . Where  $S'(r) < 0$  for  $r < \sqrt[3]{\frac{500}{\pi}}$  and  $S'(r) > 0$  for  $r > \sqrt[3]{\frac{500}{\pi}}$ . Hence,  $r = \sqrt[3]{\frac{500}{\pi}}$  minimizes  $S(r)$ .

To find  $h$ , just substitute  $r = \sqrt[3]{\frac{500}{\pi}}$  into  $h = \frac{1,000}{\pi r^2}$  and simplify.

$$h = \frac{1,000}{\pi} \left( \sqrt[3]{\frac{\pi}{500}} \right)^2 = 10 \sqrt[3]{\frac{4}{\pi}}$$

So, the dimensions are:

- $r = \sqrt[3]{\frac{500}{\pi}} = 5 \sqrt[3]{\frac{4}{\pi}} \approx 5.42$  centimeters, and
- $h = 10 \sqrt[3]{\frac{4}{\pi}} \approx 10.84$  centimeters.

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<sup>2</sup>You'll need to find the radius and height. Formulas that might be helpful: volume of a cylinder is given by  $V = \pi r^2 h$ ; circumference of a circle is given by  $C = 2\pi r$ ; area of a circle is given by  $A_c = \pi r^2$ ; and area of a rectangle is given by  $A_r = lw$ . You should also be aware that 1 L = 1,000 cm<sup>3</sup>.

4. (10 points) — Find  $f(x)$  if  $f''(x) = 2 + \cos x$ ,  $f(0) = -1$ , and  $f\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 0$ .

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}f'(x) &= 2x + \sin x + C_1 \\f(x) &= x^2 - \cos x + C_1x + C_2\end{aligned}$$

Using  $f(0) = -1$  to solve for  $C_2$ .

$$\begin{aligned}f(0) &= 0^2 - \cos 0 + C_1 \cdot 0 + C_2 = -1 \\-1 + C_2 &= -1 \\C_2 &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Using  $f\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 0$ ,  $C_2 = 0$  to solve for  $C_1$ .

$$\begin{aligned}f\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) &= \left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)^2 - \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) + C_1\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 0 \\ \frac{\pi^2}{4} + C_1\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) &= 0 \\ C_1\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) &= -\frac{\pi^2}{4} \\ C_1 &= -\frac{2}{\pi} \cdot \frac{\pi^2}{4} \\ C_1 &= -\frac{\pi}{2}\end{aligned}$$

So,  $f(x) = x^2 - \cos x - \frac{\pi}{2}x$ .

5. (50 points total) — Given:

$$\begin{aligned}f(x) &= \frac{x^2 + 7x + 3}{x^2} = 1 + \frac{7}{x} + \frac{3}{x^2} \\f'(x) &= -\frac{7x + 6}{x^3} \\f''(x) &= \frac{14x + 18}{x^4}\end{aligned}$$

Answer the following questions.

- (a) (6 points) — x-intercept(s): Answer:  $\left(\frac{-7-\sqrt{37}}{2}, 0\right); \left(\frac{-7+\sqrt{37}}{2}, 0\right)$
- (b) (3 points) — y-intercept(s): Answer:  $\text{none}$
- (c) (3 points) — vertical asymptote(s): Answer:  $x = 0$
- (d) (4 points) — horizontal asymptote(s): Answer:  $y = 1$
- (e) (4 points) — domain: Answer:  $\mathbb{R}, x \neq 0$

- (f) (5 points) — range: Answer:  $\left[-\frac{37}{12}, \infty\right)$
- (g) (4 points) — local maximum(s): Answer:  $\text{none}$
- (h) (5 points) — local minimum(s): Answer:  $\left(-\frac{6}{7}, -\frac{37}{12}\right)$
- (i) (4 points) — global maximum(s): Answer:  $\text{none}$
- (j) (5 points) — global minimum(s): Answer:  $\left(-\frac{6}{7}, -\frac{37}{12}\right)$
- (k) (7 points) — point(s) of inflection: Answer:  $\left(-\frac{9}{7}, -\frac{71}{27}\right)$