

MATH 1113
Final Exam Solution

1. Let $f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{1-x}}{x+9}$.

a. State the domain of f .

$$\{x \mid x \leq 1 \text{ and } x \neq -9\} \text{ or } (-\infty, -9) \cup (-9, 1]$$

b. Find $f(-3)$.

$$f(-3) = \frac{\sqrt{1-(-3)}}{(-3)+9} = \frac{\sqrt{4}}{6} = \frac{2}{6} = \frac{1}{3}$$

2. Given $f(x) = x^2$, find the average rate of change of f from $x_1 = 3$ to $x_2 = 3+h$. Express your answer in simplest form.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{f(3+h) - f(3)}{h} &= \frac{(3+h)^2 - 3^2}{h} \\ &= \frac{9 + 6h + h^2 - 9}{h} \\ &= \frac{h(6+h)}{h} \\ &= 6+h, \quad h \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

3. The polynomial function $P(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 11x - 6$ has only real zeros.

a. Use the factor theorem to determine if 2 a zero of this function.

$$P(2) = 2^3 - 6 \cdot 2^2 + 11 \cdot 2 - 6 = 8 - 24 + 22 - 6 = 0, \text{ so yes it is.}$$

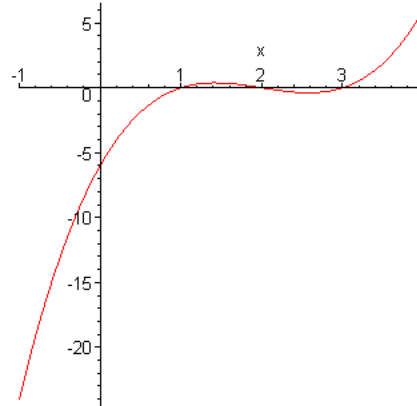
b. Find the end-behavior of $P(x)$, and sketch its graph.

End behavior:

$$\text{As } x \rightarrow -\infty, P(x) \rightarrow -\infty.$$

$$\text{As } x \rightarrow +\infty, P(x) \rightarrow +\infty.$$

Graph:



c. Express $P(x)$ as a product of linear factors.

$$P(x) = (x - 1)(x - 2)(x - 3)$$

4. The Intermediate Value Theorem for Polynomial Functions: If f is a polynomial function and $[a, b]$ is a closed interval from the domain of f , then f takes on every value between $f(a)$ and $f(b)$ in the interval $[a, b]$.

a. Use the intermediate value theorem to show that $f(x) = x^3 - 2$ has a zero between $x = 1$ and $x = 2$.

Since $f(1) = -1$ and $f(2) = 6$ and 0 is between -1 and 6 , the Intermediate Value Theorem guarantees there is a number $c \in [0, 1]$ such that $f(c) = 0$.

b. Use your calculator to estimate the zero to at least two decimal places of accuracy.

$$f(\sqrt[3]{2}) = 0 \text{ and } \sqrt[3]{2} \approx 1.26$$

5. Given the rational function $r(x) = \frac{x^2 + 3x - 4}{x^2 - 9}$

a. State the domain of $r(x)$.

All real numbers except -3 and 3 or $\{x \mid x \neq -3, x \neq 3\}$ or $(-\infty, -3) \cup (-3, 3) \cup (3, +\infty)$

b. Find the vertical asymptotes of the graph of $r(x)$.

$$x = -3 \text{ and } x = 3$$

c. Find the x-intercepts of the graph of $r(x)$.

$$(-4, 0) \text{ and } (1, 0)$$

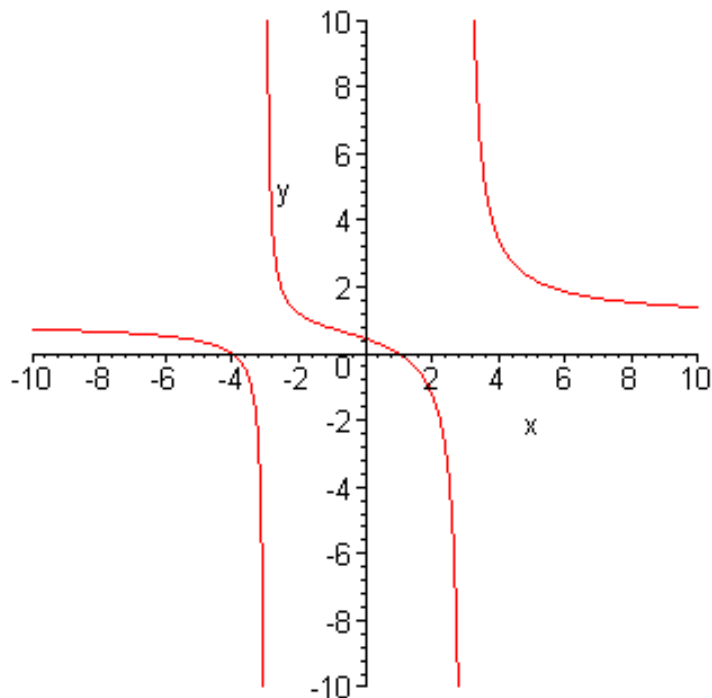
d. Find the y-intercepts of the graph of $r(x)$.

$$\left(0, \frac{4}{9}\right) \approx (0, 0.444)$$

e. Find the horizontal asymptote of the graph of $r(x)$.

$$y = 1$$

f. Sketch the graph of $r(x)$.



6. Solve the equation. Leave your answer in exact form.

$$3^{x+1} = 2^{2x}$$

$$\ln 3^{x+1} = \ln 2^{2x}$$

$$(x + 1) \cdot \ln 3 = 2x \cdot \ln 2$$

$$x \cdot \ln 3 + \ln 3 = 2x \cdot \ln 2$$

$$\ln 3 = 2x \cdot \ln 2 - x \cdot \ln 3$$

$$\ln 3 = x(2 \ln 2 - \ln 3)$$

$$x = \frac{\ln 3}{2 \ln 2 - \ln 3}$$

Note: This solution has many equivalent forms.

7. Solve the equation. Leave your answer in exact form.

$$\ln(x) - \ln(x-1) = 1$$

$$\ln \frac{x}{x-1} = 1$$

$$\frac{x}{x-1} = e^1$$

$$x = e(x-1)$$

$$x = ex - e$$

$$e = ex - x$$

$$e = x(e-1)$$

$$x = \frac{e}{e-1}$$

8. The amount of Carbon 14 (in grams) in a piece of charcoal from a tree killed during an ancient volcanic eruption has been shown by experiment to be

$$Q(t) = 3e^{\frac{-\ln 2}{5730}t}$$

a. Estimate $Q(t)$ if $t = 9000$ years. (Round your answer to the nearest hundredth of a gram)

$$Q(9000) = 3e^{\left(\frac{-\ln 2}{5730}9000\right)} \approx 1.01 \text{ g}$$

b. Estimate the time t for which $Q(t) = 2$ grams.

$$2 = 3e^{\left(\frac{-\ln 2}{5730}t\right)}, \text{ so solving for } t \text{ gives } t = \frac{-5730 \ln\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)}{\ln 2} \approx 3300 \text{ years}$$

9. Let $f(x) = 1 + \frac{3}{x}$ and $g(x) = x^2 + 1$.

a. Find the inverse function of f .

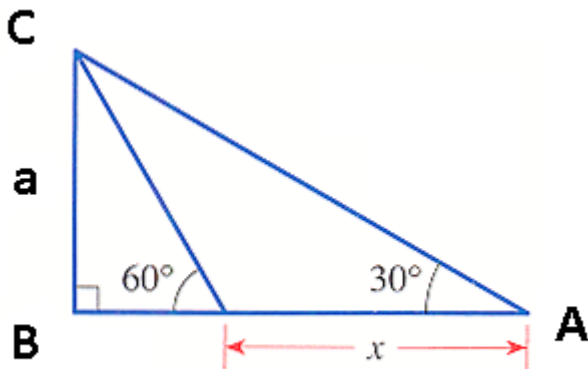
$$\begin{aligned} y &= 1 + \frac{3}{x} \\ x &= 1 + \frac{3}{y} \\ x - 1 &= \frac{3}{y} \\ \frac{1}{x - 1} &= \frac{y}{3} \\ \frac{3}{x - 1} &= y \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } f^{-1}(x) = \frac{3}{x-1}$$

b. Find $(f \circ g)(x)$.

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

10. If $a = 20$ in the following figure, find the exact value of x .



$$x = \frac{40}{\sqrt{3}}$$

Note: There are many approaches that will solve this problem. All of them use trigonometry and geometry to figure out lengths of sides and measures of angles.

11. From a point 5 meters above level ground, an observer measures the angle of depression to an object on the ground is 69° . Approximate the distance from the object to the point on the ground directly beneath the observer. Round your answer to the nearest tenth of a meter.

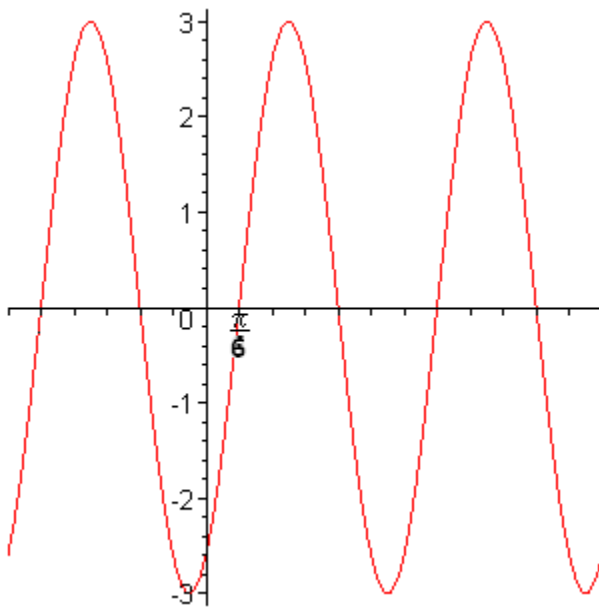
$$\tan 69^\circ = \frac{5}{x} \text{ where } x \text{ is the distance in question. Thus, } x = \frac{5}{\tan 69^\circ} \approx 1.9 \text{ m}$$

12. Find the sign of the expression $\cot(t)\tan(t)$ if the terminal point determined by t is in the quadrant II.

*In quadrant II, $\cot(t)$ is negative and $\tan(t)$ is negative. So $\cot(t) \cdot \tan(t)$ is (negative)(negative) = **positive**.*

*Or note that $\cot(t) \cdot \tan(t) = 1$, which is **positive**.*

13. In the following graph of a sine curve, the vertical scale is as shown and the horizontal scale is $\frac{\pi}{6}$.



a.) Determine the amplitude of the curve.

The amplitude is 3.

b.) Determine the period of the curve.

The period is π .

c.) Determine the phase shift of the curve.

The phase shift is $\frac{\pi}{6}$.

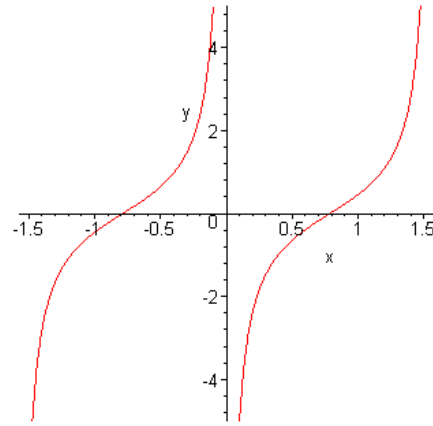
d.) Determine the function in the form $f(x) = a \sin(k(x - b))$ or $f(x) = a \sin(bx + c)$.

$$f(x) = 3 \sin 2 \left(x - \frac{\pi}{6} \right) = 3 \sin \left(2x - \frac{\pi}{3} \right)$$

14. Sketch 2 periods of the graph of $y = \tan\left(2x + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$. Label the asymptotes and the x-intercepts.

Asymptotes on this graph: $x = -\frac{\pi}{2}, x = 0, x = \frac{\pi}{2}$

X-intercepts on this graph: $\left(-\frac{\pi}{4}, 0\right), \left(\frac{\pi}{4}, 0\right)$



15. Verify the following trigonometric identity.

$$\frac{\sec x - \cos x}{\tan x} = \sin x$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\sec x - \cos x}{\tan x} &= \frac{\frac{1}{\cos x} - \cos x}{\frac{\sin x}{\cos x}} \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{\cos x} - \cos x\right) \cdot \frac{\cos x}{\sin x} \\ &= \frac{1 - \cos^2 x}{\sin x} \\ &= \frac{\sin^2 x}{\sin x} \\ &= \sin x \end{aligned}$$

16. Find all solutions of the following equation in the interval $[0, 2\pi)$. Leave your answers in exact form.

$$2\cos^2 x + \cos x = 1$$

$$2\cos^2 x + \cos x - 1 = 0$$

$$(2\cos x - 1)(\cos x + 1) = 0$$

$$2\cos x - 1 = 0 \text{ or } \cos x + 1 = 0$$

$$\cos x = \frac{1}{2} \text{ or } \cos x = -1$$

$$x = \frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{5\pi}{3} \text{ or } x = \pi$$

17. Find the solutions of the following equation that are in the interval $[0, 2\pi)$. Assume θ is measured in radians and round any answers correct to 2 decimal places.

$$5\cos\theta - 3 = 0$$

$$\cos\theta = \frac{3}{5}, \text{ so one solution is } \theta = \cos^{-1}\frac{3}{5} \approx 0.93$$

$$\text{The second solution is } \theta = 2\pi - \cos^{-1}\frac{3}{5} \approx 5.36$$

18. Find the exact value of the following expressions.

a. $\tan(\sin^{-1}(\frac{1}{3})) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}}$

Note: To solve, make a right triangle with an angle whose sine is $\frac{1}{3}$, then use the triangle to figure out the tangent of that angle.

b. $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{-\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) = \frac{5\pi}{6}$

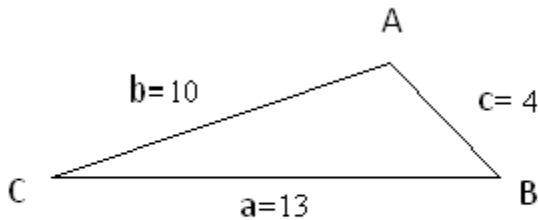
19. Given $\sec(\theta) = -\frac{5}{4}$ and $\pi \leq \theta \leq \frac{3\pi}{2}$, find exact values for the following expressions.

Thanks to the given information, we know $\cos \theta = \frac{-4}{5}$ and $\sin \theta = \frac{-3}{5}$.

a. $\sin 2\theta = 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta = 2\left(\frac{-3}{5}\right)\left(\frac{-4}{5}\right) = \frac{24}{25}$

b. $\cos \frac{\theta}{2} = -\sqrt{\frac{1+\cos \theta}{2}} = -\sqrt{\frac{1+\frac{-4}{5}}{2}} = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{10}}$

20. Use the law of sines or the law of cosines to find the angles in the following triangle. State the angles in degrees to the nearest hundredth of a degree.



$$13^2 = 10^2 + 4^2 - 2(10)(4) \cos A$$

$$169 = 116 - 80 \cos A$$

$$\frac{169 - 116}{-80} = \cos A$$

$$A = \cos^{-1} \frac{-53}{80} \approx 131.49^\circ$$

$$\frac{\sin C}{4} = \frac{\sin 131.49^\circ}{13}$$

$$\sin C = \frac{4 \cdot \sin 131.49^\circ}{13} \approx 0.23048$$

$$C = \sin^{-1}(0.23048) \approx 13.32^\circ$$

$$B \approx 180^\circ - 131.49^\circ - 13.32^\circ = 35.19^\circ$$

Addition/Subtraction Identities

$$\begin{aligned}\sin(u + v) &= \sin u \cos v + \cos u \sin v \\ \sin(u - v) &= \sin u \cos v - \cos u \sin v\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\cos(u + v) &= \cos u \cos v - \sin u \sin v \\ \cos(u - v) &= \cos u \cos v + \sin u \sin v\end{aligned}$$

Double Angle Identities

$$\sin 2u = 2 \sin u \cos u$$

$$\begin{aligned}\cos 2u &= \cos^2 u - \sin^2 u \\ \cos 2u &= 2\cos^2 u - 1 \\ \cos 2u &= 1 - 2\sin^2 u\end{aligned}$$

Half Angle Identities

$$\sin \frac{u}{2} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{1 - \cos u}{2}}$$

$$\cos \frac{u}{2} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{1 + \cos u}{2}}$$

Law of Sines

$$\frac{\sin A}{a} = \frac{\sin B}{b} = \frac{\sin C}{c}, \text{ where } a, b, c \text{ are lengths of sides and } A, B, C \text{ are the opposite angles.}$$

Law of Cosines

$$a^2 = b^2 + c^2 - 2bc \cos A, \text{ where } a, b, c \text{ are lengths of sides and } A \text{ is the angle opposite side } a.$$