

Math 113 Calculus – Homework 2 – Solutions

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Check that there are 5 questions on your booklet. Write your name on top of every page. Show your work in reasonable detail, unless otherwise stated. A correct answer without proper or too much reasoning may not get any credit.

Q-1) Write the derivatives of the following functions. No partials. Do not show your work.

- $f(x) = x^{3x}, f'(x) = x^{3x}(3 \ln x + 3).$
- $f(x) = (\tan x)^{\sec x}, f'(x) = (\tan x)^{\sec x}(\sec x \tan x \ln \tan x + \frac{\sec^3 x}{\tan x}).$
- $f(x) = \ln(\cosh x^2), f'(x) = \frac{2x \sinh x^2}{\cosh x^2}.$
- $f(x) = x \arctan x^2, f'(x) = \arctan x^2 + \frac{2x^2}{1 + x^4}.$
- $f(x) = x^{1/\ln x}, f'(\pi) = 0$
- $f(x) = 5^x - x^5, f'(x) = 5^x \ln 5 - 5x^4.$
- $f(x) = x^{\ln x}, f'(e) = 2.$
- $f(x) = \frac{x^6 - x^4 + 1}{4x^3 + x - 1}, f'(0) = -1.$
- **Given:** $g(0) = 1, g(3) = 17, g(8) = 0, f(0) = 71, f(3) = -1, f(8) = \sqrt{2},$
 $g'(0) = \pi, g'(3) = \pi^e, g'(8) = e, f'(0) = 2^e, f'(3) = \ln 3, f'(8) = e^{\sqrt{2}}.$

If $h(x) = f(3g(x) + 5),$ then $h'(0) = 3e^{\sqrt{2}}.$

• **Given:** $f(5) = \pi/3, f'(5) = \pi/4, g(5) = 1, g'(5) = 0, g'(\sqrt{2}/2) = 5,$
 $g'(\sqrt{3}/2) = 7, g(1/2) = \pi, g(\pi/4) = 11.$

If $h(x) = g(\sin(f(x))),$ then $h'(5) = \frac{7\pi}{8}.$

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Q-2) Show that for any $x > -1$ and for any integer $n \geq 0$,

$$(1 + x)^n \geq 1 + nx.$$

Solution: We will give two proofs. The first one uses induction.

First of all, the fact that $x > -1$ is necessary so that we don't talk about powers of negative numbers which are sometimes imaginary.

Clearly the statement is true for $n = 0$. Assume that it is true for n and check what happens for $n + 1$.

$$(1 + x)^{n+1} = (1 + x)^n(1 + x) \geq (1 + nx)(1 + x) \text{ by induction hypothesis and because } 1 + x > 0.$$

But we also have

$$(1 + nx)(1 + x) = 1 + (n + 1)x + nx^2 \geq 1 + (n + 1)x \text{ since } nx^2 \geq 0.$$

This then shows that the statement holds for $n + 1$ when it holds for n , completing the proof.

For the second proof, observe that the statement is clearly true for $n = 0$ and $n = 1$. So assume $n \geq 2$ and consider the function

$$f(x) = (1 + x)^n - (1 + nx) \text{ for } x \geq 1.$$

We check the derivative of this function.

$$f'(x) = n(1 + x)^{n-1} - n$$

which is negative for $-1 \leq x < 0$, positive for $x > 0$ and zero for $x = 0$. Since $f(-1) = n - 1 > 0$ and $f(0) = 0$, we conclude that $f(x) \geq 0$ for all $x \leq -1$.

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Q-3) Sketch the graph of $f(x) = \frac{x+1}{x^2+1}$. Find the absolute minimum and maximum values of f .

Solution: We first observe what we can without using the derivative.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} f(x) = 0. \quad f(x) < 0 \text{ for } x < -1. \quad f(x) > 0 \text{ for } x > -1. \quad f(-1) = 0. \quad f(0) = 1.$$

Next we check the derivative. $f'(x) = -\frac{(x - \alpha_1)(x - \alpha_2)}{(x^2 + 1)^2}$, where

$$\alpha_1 = -1 + \sqrt{2} \approx 0.4 \text{ and } \alpha_2 = -1 - \sqrt{2} \approx -2.4.$$

Then we look at the second derivative. $f''(x) = \frac{2(x - 1)(x - \beta_1)(x - \beta_2)}{(x^2 + 1)^3}$, where

$$\beta_1 = -2 + \sqrt{3} \approx 0.26 \text{ and } \beta_2 = -2 - \sqrt{3} \approx -3.7.$$

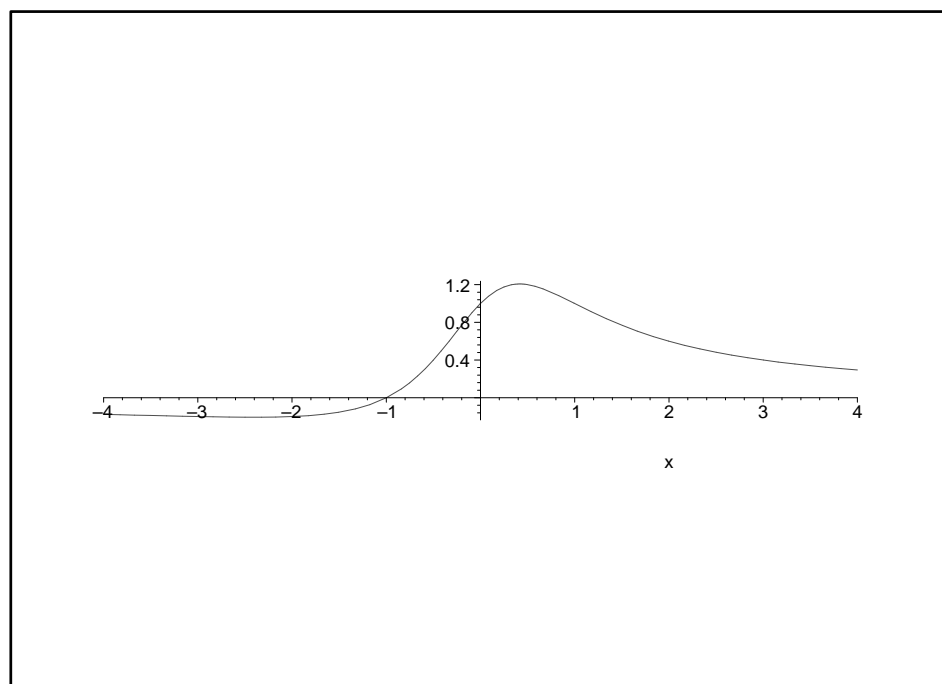
Putting these data together in a comparison table, we obtain the sketch of the graph.

The minimum value is $f(\alpha_2) \approx -0.2$ and the maximum value is $f(\alpha_1) \approx 1.2$.

Here is the table:

	$-\infty$	-3.7	-2.4	-1	-0.2	0	0.4	1	$+\infty$	
f	0			0		1			0	
f'	-	-	0	+	+	+	+	0	-	
f''	-	0	+	+	+	0	-	-	0	+
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And here is the graph:



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Q-4) Sketch the graph of $f(x) = x^2 e^{-x^2}$. Find the absolute minimum and maximum values of f .

Solution: Check that $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} f(x) = 0$.

Next $f'(x) = -2x(x - 1)e^{-x^2}$, and $f''(x) = 2(2x^4 - 5x^2 + 1)e^{-x^2}$.

The first derivative vanishes at $x = 0$, and $x = \pm 1$.

The second derivative vanishes at $x = \pm\alpha$ and $x = \pm\beta$ where

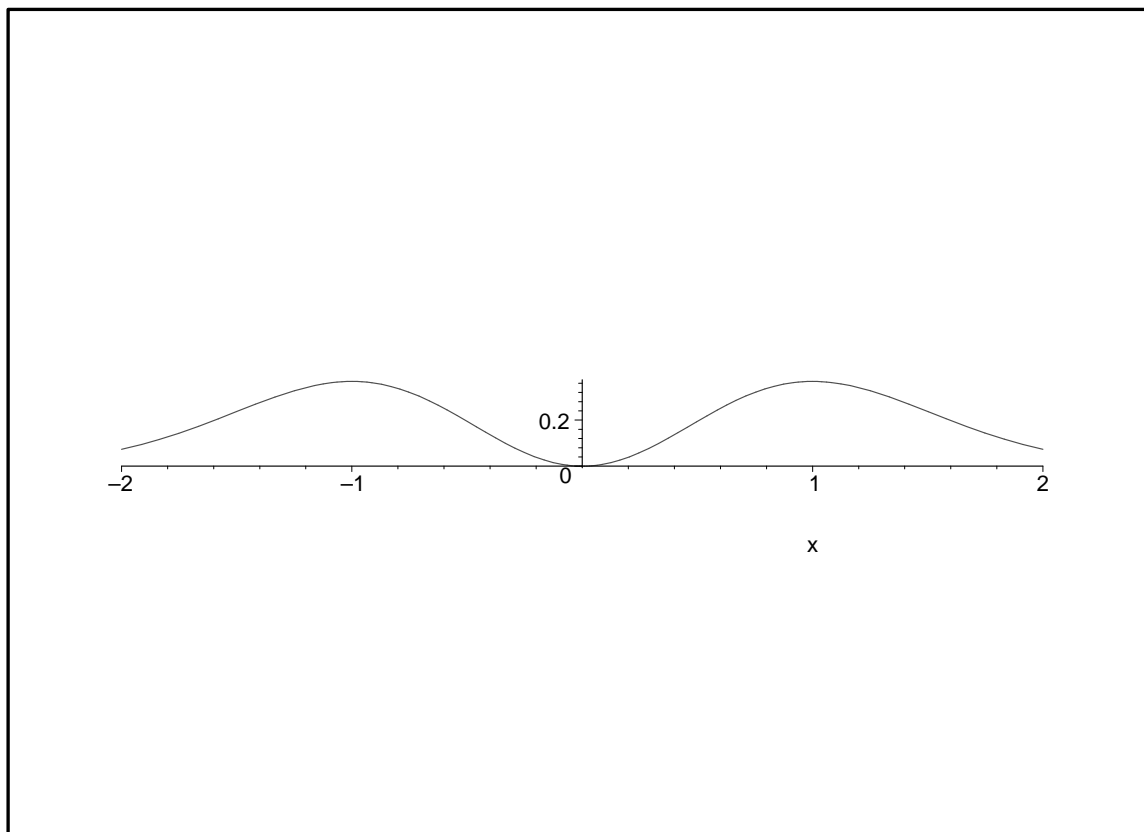
$$\alpha = \frac{\sqrt{5 + \sqrt{17}}}{2} \approx 1.5 \text{ and } \beta = \frac{\sqrt{5 - \sqrt{17}}}{2} \approx 0.4.$$

The minimum value is $f(0) = 0$ and the maximum value is $f(\pm 1) = 1/e \approx 0.36$.

Here is the table:

	$-\infty$	-1.5	-1	-0.4	0	0.4	1	1.5	$+\infty$	
f	0				0				0	
f'	$+$	$+$	0	$-$	$-$	0	$+$	$+$	0	$-$
f''	$+$	0	$-$	$-$	0	$+$	$+$	0	$-$	$-$
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And here is the graph:



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Q-5) Approximate $\tan 1$ with an absolute error less than $1/1000$, using the Taylor polynomials of $\sin x$ and $\cos x$.

Solution: We try the Taylor polynomials of $\sin x$ and $\cos x$ at $x = 1$. The number of terms needed is determined by trial and error.

First observe that

$$A = 1 - \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{4!} - \frac{1}{6!} < \cos 1 < 1 - \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{4!} - \frac{1}{6!} + \frac{1}{8!} = B$$

and

$$C = 1 - \frac{1}{3!} + \frac{1}{5!} - \frac{1}{7!} < \sin 1 < 1 - \frac{1}{3!} + \frac{1}{5!} - \frac{1}{7!} + \frac{1}{9!} = D.$$

Then we clearly have

$$1.557401 \approx \frac{C}{B} < \tan 1 < \frac{D}{A} \approx 1.557478.$$

Since $\frac{D}{A} - \frac{C}{B} \approx 0.00007$, we can take as $\tan 1$ the value

$$\tan 1 \approx \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{D}{A} + \frac{C}{B} \right) \approx 1.557440.$$

It would require around 25 terms from the Taylor expansion of $\tan x$ to find such an approximation and even then we would have a terrible time in controlling the error.