

Question 1. Let

$$f(x) = \frac{1 + \sin x}{x} \quad \text{and} \quad g(x) = \frac{2e^x}{e^x - 1}.$$

(a) Find the horizontal and vertical asymptotes of $f(x)$.

Horizontal asymptotes: $x=0$, as $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1 + \sin x}{x} = \infty$

Vertical asymptotes: To find those, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{1 + \sin x}{x} = -\infty$

we need to calculate

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 + \sin x}{x}, \text{ and } \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{1 + \sin x}{x}.$$

$$0 \leq 1 + \sin x \leq 2 \Rightarrow \frac{0}{|x|} \leq \frac{1 + \sin x}{x} \leq \frac{2}{|x|}$$

\swarrow as $x \rightarrow \infty$ $\rightarrow 0$ \nwarrow as $x \rightarrow \infty$
by squeeze

} $y=0$ is the only horizontal asymptote.

(b) Find a formula for the inverse of $g(x)$.

$$y = \frac{2e^x}{e^x - 1} \Leftrightarrow e^x \cdot y - y = 2 \cdot e^x \Leftrightarrow e^x (y - 2) = y$$

$$\Leftrightarrow e^x = \frac{y}{y - 2} \Leftrightarrow x = \ln\left(\frac{y}{y - 2}\right), \text{ so}$$

$$g^{-1}(x) = \ln\left(\frac{x}{x - 2}\right).$$

(c) Differentiate the function $g(x)$.

$$g'(x) \stackrel{\text{quotient rule}}{=} \frac{2e^x \cdot (e^x - 1) - e^x \cdot 2e^x}{(e^x - 1)^2} = \frac{-2e^x}{(e^x - 1)^2}.$$

Question 2. Evaluate the limit in each part. Show the details of your work.
(Note: You cannot use L'Hospital's Rule.)

(a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} \arcsin(x+1)$

arcsin is continuous on its domain

$$\arcsin(\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} x+1) = \arcsin(-1) = -\pi/2$$

(b) $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (\sqrt{t^2+6t} - \sqrt{t^2+3})$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\sqrt{t^2+6t} + \sqrt{t^2+3})(\sqrt{t^2+6t} - \sqrt{t^2+3})}{\sqrt{t^2+6t} + \sqrt{t^2+3}} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{6t-3}{\sqrt{t^2+6t} + \sqrt{t^2+3}}$$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{6t-3}{\sqrt{t^2+6t} + \sqrt{t^2+3}} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{6}{\sqrt{1+\frac{6}{t}} + \sqrt{1+\frac{3}{t}}} = 3$$

(c) $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan 2\theta}{\theta} = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan 2\theta}{2\theta} \cdot 2 = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 2\theta}{2\theta} \cdot \frac{2}{\cos 2\theta} = 2$

(d) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^5 - 32}{x - 2} = f'(2)$, where $f(x) = x^5$, hence

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^5 - 32}{x - 2} = 5 \cdot x^4 \Big|_{x=2} = \underline{\underline{80}}$$

Question 3. Consider the functions given below.

$$f(x) = \sqrt[3]{x^2} \quad g(x) = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x < 0 \\ x^2 & \text{if } x \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

$$h(x) = \sqrt{x+1} \quad u(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 - 1 & \text{if } x < 0 \\ x^2 + 1 & \text{if } x \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

(a) Find the derivative of $h(x)$ using the limit definition of a derivative.

$$h'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{x+1+h} - \sqrt{x+1}}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(\sqrt{x+1+h} + \sqrt{x+1})(\sqrt{x+1+h} - \sqrt{x+1})}{h \cdot (\sqrt{x+1+h} + \sqrt{x+1})}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h}{h \cdot (\sqrt{x+1+h} + \sqrt{x+1})} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x+1}}$$

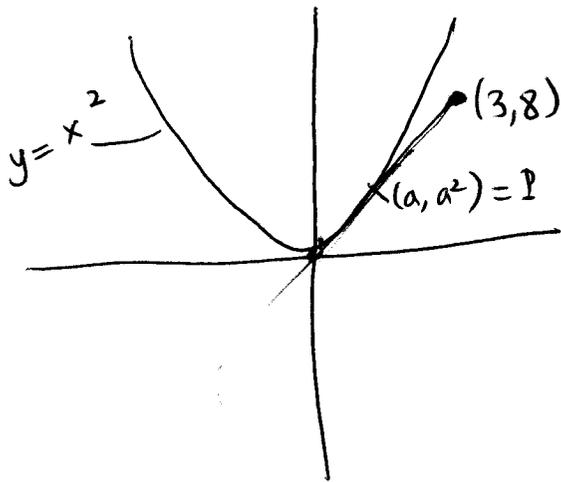
(b) Which of the functions $f(x)$, $g(x)$, $h(x)$ and $u(x)$ are differentiable at $x = 0$. Explain your reasoning.

- (a) shows that $h(x)$ is diff'ble at $x=0$.
- $u(x)$ is NOT, because $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} u(x) = -1 \neq 1 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} u(x)$,
so u is not even continuous.

- $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt[3]{x^2}}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^{-1/3}$, which does NOT exist, hence f is NOT diff'ble at $x=0$.

- $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{g(x) - g(0)}{x - 0} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{x^2}{x} = 0$ } $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(x) - g(0)}{x - 0}$ does not exist, hence g is not diff'ble.
- $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{g(x) - g(0)}{x - 0} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{x}{x} = 1$

Question 4. Find an equation of a line passing through $(3, 8)$ and tangent to the parabola $y = x^2$. (Note: There may be more than one such tangent lines. It suffices to find an equation for one of them.)



Suppose ^(a) the line we are seeking for passes through $P = (a, a^2)$ on the curve $y = x^2$.

— Then, this line is tangent to $y = x^2$, hence its slope at P is given by $\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{x=a} = 2a$.

— Furthermore, since this line passes through both P and $(3, 8)$, its slope also equals $\frac{(8 - a^2)}{3 - a}$.

$$\Rightarrow \frac{8 - a^2}{3 - a} = 2a \Leftrightarrow 8 - a^2 = 6a - 2a^2 \Leftrightarrow a^2 - 6a + 8 = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow a = 4 \text{ or } \underline{a = 2}.$$

For $a = 2$, the line we look for is $\frac{y - 8}{x - 3} = 4$.

For $a = 4$, $\frac{y - 8}{x - 3} = 8$.

Question 5.

(a) Let $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ be two functions. Suppose for all $\varepsilon > 0$ we are given that

$$\text{if } |x - 3| < \varepsilon^3, \text{ then } |f(x) - 5| < \varepsilon/2$$

and that

$$\text{if } |x - 3| < \varepsilon/10, \text{ then } |g(x) - 10| < \varepsilon/2.$$

Find a real number $\delta > 0$ such that

$$\text{if } |x - 3| < \delta, \text{ then } |f(x) + g(x) - 15| < \frac{1}{2}.$$

(Hint: Recall the triangular inequality $|a + b| \leq |a| + |b|$ which holds for all pair of real numbers a and b .)

By what we are given, it follows that:

$$\text{if } |x - 3| < \min(\varepsilon^3, \varepsilon/10), \text{ then } |f(x) - 5| + |g(x) - 10| < \varepsilon.$$

By the hint, $|f(x) + g(x) - 15| \leq |f(x) - 5| + |g(x) - 10|$, hence

$$\text{if } |x - 3| < \min(\varepsilon^3, \varepsilon/10), \text{ then } |f(x) + g(x) - 15| < \varepsilon.$$

So the δ

$$\text{We want is } \delta = \min\left(\frac{1}{2^3}, \frac{1}{20}\right) = \frac{1}{20}.$$

(b) Show that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{2}$$

using $\varepsilon - \delta$ definition of a limit. (Note: You cannot use the limit laws. You must apply $\varepsilon - \delta$ definition to the function $f(x) = 1/x$.)

Given $\varepsilon > 0$, we want to find a δ such that

if $|x-2| < \delta$, then $|\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{2}| < \varepsilon$, in other words

if $2-\delta < x < 2+\delta$, then $\frac{|x-2|}{|2x|} < \varepsilon$.

Suppose without loss of generality that $\delta \leq 1$. Then $2-\delta < x < 2+\delta \Rightarrow$
 Now, if $|x-2| < \delta$, then (assuming $\delta \leq 1$) $\Rightarrow \underline{1 < x < 3}$

$$\frac{|x-2|}{|2x|} < \delta \cdot \frac{1}{|2x|} \leq \frac{\delta}{2}$$

$|x| > 1$, hence $\frac{1}{|x|} < 1$

So it will suffice to choose $\delta = \min(1, 2\varepsilon)$.

Indeed, if $|x-2| < \delta = \min(1, 2\varepsilon)$, then
 (i) $2-\delta < x < 2+\delta$, and since $\delta \leq 1$, $\underline{1 < x < 3}$.

$$(ii) \quad \left| \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{2} \right| = \frac{|x-2|}{2|x|} < \frac{\delta}{2 \cdot |x|} \leq \frac{2\varepsilon}{2 \cdot |x|} = \frac{\varepsilon}{|x|} \leq \varepsilon \quad (i)$$

, as desired.

Question 6. Is there a function f which is continuous on $(-\infty, \infty)$ and

$$f(x)f(x+2) < 0$$

for every x ? Justify your answer. (Hint: Use the Intermediate Value Theorem.)

$$f(0)f(2) < 0 \Rightarrow \text{either } \begin{cases} f(0) < 0 \\ f(2) > 0 \end{cases} \text{ or } \begin{cases} f(2) < 0 \\ f(0) > 0 \end{cases}$$

Either case 0 is in between $f(0)$ and $f(2)$, it follows from IVT that there is a $c \in (0, 2)$ such that $f(c) = 0$. But then, $f(c)f(c+2) \neq 0$, hence such f cannot exist.

Question 7. (Bonus Question; No partial credit will be awarded)

Let $f(x)$ be a continuous function satisfying $|f(x)| \leq x^2$ for all $x \in [-2, 2]$. Show that f is differentiable at 0 and find $f'(0)$.

First note that $|f(0)| \leq 0 \Rightarrow$ implies that $f(0) = 0$.

Now, $f'(0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x)}{x}$.
if the limit exists

By the given inequality $|f(x)| \leq x^2$, it follows that $-x^2 \leq f(x) \leq x^2$, hence $-|x| \leq \frac{f(x)}{x} \leq |x|$.
as $x \rightarrow 0$ $\rightarrow 0$ \leftarrow as $x \rightarrow 0$

\Rightarrow By the squeeze theorem

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x)}{x} = 0, \text{ hence } \underline{\underline{f'(0) = 0}}.$$