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**MATH 180: Calculus A**  
**Spring 2022**

**Test 3**  
**May 10, 2022**

**Instructions:**

- This is a regular “closed-book” test, and is to be taken without the use of notes, books, or other reference materials. Collaboration or group work is not permitted.
- Cell-phone usage in any form is prohibited for the entire duration of the test. This also applies to any restroom breaks taken during the test.
- Answer all questions on separate paper (not on this sheet!).
- Solve all problems using algebra, except if specifically indicated otherwise.  
Show all solution steps, give reasons, and simplify your answer to receive full credit.
- The time limit for taking this test is 80 minutes from the scheduled start time.
- This test adds up to 50 points. It contains questions numbered (1) through (7).

(1) [6 pts.] Consider the Riemann sum  $R_n = \sum_{i=1}^n \left[ \ln \left( 1 + \frac{4i}{n} \right) - 2 \right] \frac{4}{n}$ .

(a) As you know, this approximates a definite integral of the form  $\int_a^b f(x) dx$ .  
Find  $f(x)$ ,  $a$  and  $b$ . Show steps and reasons.

(b) Compute the numerical value of  $R_4$ .

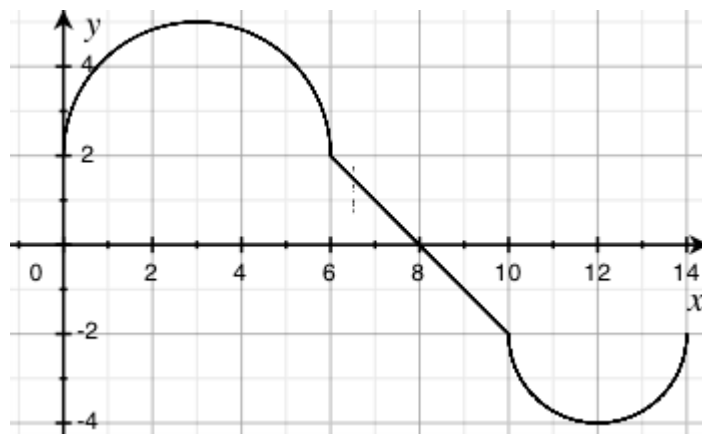
(2) [6 pts] A piece of wire 20 ft long is to be cut into two pieces. One piece is to be bent into a square, and the other into a circle. Determine the length of each piece so that the sum of the areas is maximized.

(3) [6 pts] Let  $y = e^{x|x-2|}$ . Find the intervals on which  $y$  is increasing, and on which it is decreasing, together with its local extreme values. Credit for correct steps only!

(4) [6 pts.] The graph of  $y = f(x)$  shown here consists of line segments and semicircles. Use it to evaluate the following definite integrals by interpreting each in terms of an exact area:

(a)  $\int_0^6 f(x) dx$

(b)  $\int_0^{14} f(x) dx$



\* In case you're blanking out on it,  
area of a semicircle =  $\pi r^2/2$ , area of a  $\Delta = \frac{1}{2}$  base  $\times$  height, area of a square = side<sup>2</sup>,  
area of a rectangle = width  $\times$  height.

- (5) [6 pts.  $\times$  2] Differentiate with respect to  $x$  and simplify, showing needed steps and justification:

(a)  $y = \frac{(2x + 1)^3}{x^5 \sqrt{x + 1}}$

(b)  $f(x) = x \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) + \sqrt{4 - x^2}$

Hint: A complete solution to (a) with almost no algebraic mess can be done in 4 lines!

- (6) [4 pts.] State the Mean Value Theorem in mathematically precise language, followed by a brief explanation of what it means in everyday language. Include a graph, with labels, to illustrate your claims.

- (7) [2.5 pts.  $\times$  4] Give short answers to each of the following as instructed:

(a) Carry out one iteration of Newton's method to find the root of  $x^3 - x = 2$  starting from the initial guess  $x = 1$ .

(b) The area of a square is increasing at a constant rate (with respect to time). Is the side-length increasing at:

- (i) a constant rate?
- (ii) an increasing rate?
- (iii) a decreasing rate?

Give a solid, calculus-based justification for your answer.

(c) Sketch the graph of a function on a closed interval that has no absolute extremes, but does have a critical point. Be sure to include axis labels.

(d) Let  $L(x)$  denote the linear approximation of a function  $f(x)$  at  $x = a$ . You, of course, know that  $L(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x - a)$ . Let  $E(x) = f(x) - L(x)$  denote the error in the linear approximation. What is

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{E(x)}{x - a}$$

Hint: Plug in  $f(x)$  and  $L(x)$  into  $E(x)$  and evaluate the limit using any standard method – e.g., algebraic simplification, or other ways ...

*End of test*

# Spring 2022: Calculus A: Test 3 Solutions

[1] The general form of a right Riemann sum for  $\int_a^b f(x) dx$

(a) is  $R_n = \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i) \Delta x$ , where  $\Delta x = \frac{b-a}{n}$ ,  $x_i = a + i \Delta x$

Comparing this with the given form of  $R_n$ , we can see that

$$f(x_i) = \ln\left(1 + \frac{4i}{n}\right) - 2 \quad \text{and} \quad \Delta x = \frac{4}{n}$$

From this we can deduce that  $x_i = 1 + \frac{4i}{n}$ , and  $a=1$ ,  $b=5$ .

Therefore,  $f(x) = \ln(x) - 2$ ,  $a=1$ ,  $b=5$ . The given Riemann

sum approximates  $\int_1^5 [\ln x - 2] dx$

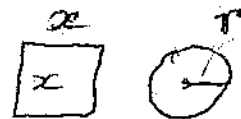
NOTE: Another correct answer that represents this same integral is  $\int_0^4 [\ln(x+1) - 2] dx$

(b)  $R_4 = \sum_{i=1}^4 [\ln(1+i) - 2] \cdot 1 = [\ln(2) - 2] + [\ln(3) - 2] + [\ln(4) - 2] + [\ln(5) - 2]$   
 $= \ln(2 \times 3 \times 4 \times 5) - 8$   
 $= \ln(120) - 8$

[2]

Let  $x =$  side length of square (in feet)

$r =$  radius of circle (feet)



total area  $= x^2 + \pi r^2$

since the total length is 20':  $4x + 2\pi r = 20 \Rightarrow r = \frac{20 - 4x}{2\pi}$

$\therefore A(x) = x^2 + \pi \left[ \frac{10 - 2x}{\pi} \right]^2 = \frac{100 - 40x + 4x^2}{\pi}$

$$A(x) = x^2 + \frac{1}{\pi} (100 - 40x + 4x^2)$$

To maximize  $A$ , find its critical points first.

$$A'(x) = 2x + \frac{1}{\pi} (-40 + 8x) = \left(2 + \frac{8}{\pi}\right)x - \frac{40}{\pi} \Rightarrow x = \frac{40/\pi}{(2 + 8/\pi)}$$

Simplifying a bit, we get  $x = \frac{40}{2\pi + 8} = \frac{20}{\pi + 4}$

The minimum and maximum possible values of  $x$  are 0 and  $\frac{20}{4} = 5$ . To find abs maximum of  $A(x)$ :

The area is maximized when  $x=0$ .

Answer: The maximum area is obtained when the entire wire is used to make the circle.

0	$A(0) = \frac{100}{\pi}$
5	$A(5) = 25$
$\frac{20}{\pi+4}$	$A\left(\frac{20}{\pi+4}\right) = 14$

[3]  $y = e^{|x^2-2x|}$

To find intervals of increase/decrease I'll use a sign graph of  $y'$ . Accordingly,

$$y = \begin{cases} e^{x^2-2x}, & \text{if } x \geq 2 \\ e^{-x^2+2x}, & \text{if } x < 2 \end{cases} \Rightarrow y' = \begin{cases} (2x-2)e^{x^2-2x}, & \text{if } x > 2 \\ (-2x+2)e^{-x^2+2x}, & \text{if } x < 2 \\ \text{DNE}, & \text{if } x = 2 \end{cases}$$

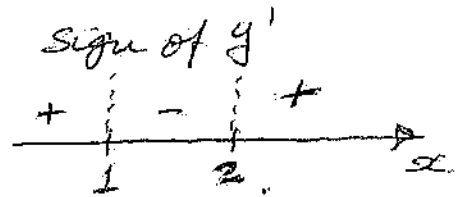
$y' = 0$  when  $x = 1$  and  $y' = \text{DNE}$  when  $x = 2$ .

Thus, there are two critical points;  $x = 1$  and  $x = 2$

when  $x > 2$ :  $y' = 2x - 2 > 0$

when  $1 < x < 2$ :  $y' = -2x + 2 < 0$

when  $x < 1$ :  $y' = -2x + 2 > 0$



Answers:  $y$  is increasing on  $(-\infty, 1)$  and  $(2, \infty)$

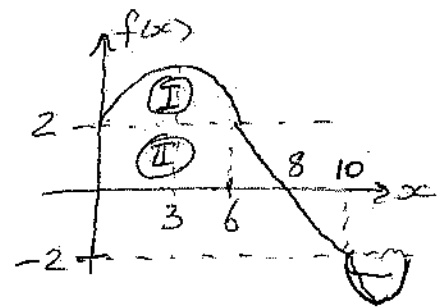
$y$  is decreasing on  $(1, 2)$

There is one local maximum @  $(1, e)$

There is one local minimum @  $(2, 1)$

[4] (a)  $\int_0^6 f(x) dx = \text{Area (I)} + \text{Area (II)}$   
 (See sketch)  
 $= \frac{\pi(3)^2}{2} + 6 \times 2$

$\therefore \int_0^6 f(x) dx = \frac{9\pi}{2} + 12$



(b)  $\int_0^{14} f(x) dx = \int_0^6 + \int_6^{10} + \int_{10}^{14}$

we already have  $\int_0^6 f(x) dx$  from part (a).

And, from the symmetry shown in the sketch  $\int_6^{10} f(x) dx = 0$

$\int_{10}^{14} f(x) dx = -(\text{area of } \square + \text{area of } \cup)$   
 $= -(4 \times 2 + \pi \frac{2^2}{2}) = -(8 + 2\pi)$

$\therefore \int_0^{14} f(x) dx = [\frac{9\pi}{2} + 12] + 0 - (8 + 2\pi)$

Answer:  $\int_0^{14} f(x) dx = \frac{5\pi}{2} + 4$

[5] (a)  $y = \frac{(2x+1)^3}{x^5 \sqrt{x+1}}$ . To find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ , apply  $\ln$  to both sides.

$$\ln y = \ln \left[ \frac{(2x+1)^3}{x^5 (x+1)^{1/2}} \right] = 3 \ln(2x+1) - \left[ 5 \ln x + \frac{1}{2} \ln(x+1) \right]$$

Differentiate both sides with respect to  $x$ :

$$\frac{1}{y} \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3}{(2x+1)} (2x+1)' - \left[ 5 \left( \frac{1}{x} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{x+1} \right) (x+1)' \right]$$

$$= \frac{6}{2x+1} - \frac{5}{x} - \frac{1}{2(x+1)}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{\frac{dy}{dx} = \left( \frac{(2x+1)^3}{x^5 \sqrt{x+1}} \right) \left[ \frac{6}{2x+1} - \frac{5}{x} - \frac{1}{2(x+1)} \right]}$$

\* Simplifying this further doesn't seem to give anything "simpler", so we can leave it here!

(b)  $f(x) = x \cdot \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) + \sqrt{4-x^2}$

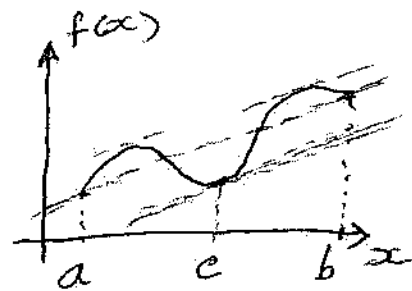
$$\frac{df}{dx} = x \cdot \frac{d}{dx} \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) + \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) \cdot \frac{d}{dx} x + \frac{d}{dx} (4-x^2)^{1/2}$$

$$= x \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-(x/2)^2}} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) \cdot 1 + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{4-x^2}} \cdot (-2x)$$

$$= \frac{x}{2\sqrt{4-x^2}} \times 4 + \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) - \frac{x}{\sqrt{4-x^2}}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{\frac{df}{dx} = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)}$$

[6] The MVT says: Suppose  $f$  is a differentiable function on the interval  $[a, b]$ . Then there exists some point  $c$  between  $a$  and  $b$  such that  $f'(c) = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}$ .



In everyday language: If the function is differentiable on the interval (i.e., its graph is smooth), then there is at least one point between  $a$  and  $b$  where the tangent line has the same slope as the secant line that joins  $(a, f(a))$  and  $(b, f(b))$ .

[7] (a) Given  $x^3 - x = 2$ . Let  $f(x) = x^3 - x - 2$ .

Then  $f'(x) = 3x^2 - 1$ , and  $f'(1) = 3 - 1 = 2$

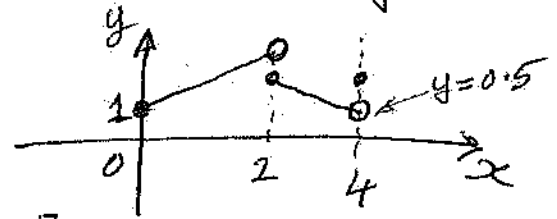
The linear approx at  $x=1$  is:  $L(x) = f(1) + f'(1)(x-1) = -2 + 2(x-1)$

To find the root, set  $L(x) = 0$ :  $0 = -2 + 2(x-1) \Rightarrow \boxed{x=2}$

At the end of one Newton iteration,  $x_1 = 2$

(b)  $\boxed{x}$  oc.  $A(x) = x^2 \Rightarrow \frac{dA}{dt} = 2x \cdot \frac{dx}{dt} \Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dt} = \left(\frac{1}{2x}\right) \frac{dA}{dt}$   
 Since area is increasing at a constant rate, we know  $\frac{dA}{dt} = \text{positive constant}$ . Thus, as  $x$  increases,  $\frac{dx}{dt}$  decreases.  
 Answer: The side length increases at a decreasing rate.

(c) Graph of function on closed interval that has a critical point but no abs. extremes:



$y$  is defined on the closed interval  $[0, 4]$

There is a critical point at  $x=2$ , since  $y' = \text{DNE}$  at  $x=2$ .  
 $y$  has no absolute minimum or maximum.

(d) Let  $L(x)$  denote linear approx of  $f(x)$  at  $x=a$ .

$$\text{Then } L(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x-a)$$

$$E(x) = f(x) - L(x) = f(x) - f(a) - f'(a)(x-a)$$

$$\text{And } \frac{E(x)}{(x-a)} = \frac{f(x) - f(a) - f'(a)(x-a)}{x-a} = \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x-a} - f'(a)$$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{E(x)}{x-a} = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left[ \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x-a} - f'(a) \right] = f'(a) - f'(a)$$

$$\text{Answer: } \boxed{\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{E(x)}{x-a} = 0}$$

### Grading Notes

[1] (a) = 4 points, (b) = 2 points

(a) 1 pt each for correct:  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $f(x)$ , steps

(b) 0.5 pt = get  $\Delta x = 1$ , 0.5 pt = get correct  $x$ -values, 1 pt = correctly sum values

[2] 1.5 pt = introduce unknowns & setup eqn. for total length/perimeter  
 1.5 pt = find correct objective function with 1 unknown  
 1 pt = correct derivative of  $A$ ; 1.5 pt = find C.P. and make table that shows correct values of  $A$  at C.P. and end points; 0.5 pt = correct answer

[3] 0.5 + 0.5 pt = correct derivative of neg + positive part of abs value fn.  
 1 pt = state correct domain where each part is valid  
 1 pt = explain/show/justify each of 2 critical points  
 1 pt = correct sign graph of  $y'$   
 1 pt = interpret/show why & where  $y$  is increasing/decreasing  
 1 pt = show where & why local extreme occurs.

[4] (a) = 3 points, (b) = 3 points

(a) 1 pt = attempt to find sum of area of  $\triangle$  and  $\square$ .

2 pt = do it correctly and add areas to show correct answer

(b) 1 pt = correctly split  $\int^{14}$  into reasonable sub-problems.

1 pt = evaluate the sub-problems correctly & get numerical values

1 pt = add numerical values correctly to state final answer.

[5] (a) 1 pt = attempt to apply  $\ln$  on both sides

2 pt = do it correctly and simplify to:  $\ln y = 3\ln(2x+1) - [5\ln x + \frac{1}{2}]$

2 pt = take derivatives on both sides correctly and simplify

1 pt = multiply through by  $y$ , and reverse sub. the expression for  $y$

[6] (b) 3 pt = correct derivative of  $x \cdot \sin^{-1}(\frac{x}{2})$  and simplify

2 pt = correct derivative of  $\sqrt{4-x^2}$  and simplify

1 pt = add correctly and get answer

[6] 1 pt = correct graph to illustrate statement of MVT

1+1 pt = correct hypotheses + math form of conclusion

1 pt = explain in ordinary language, using secant/tangent etc.

[7] (a) 1 pt = find  $f(1)$  and  $f'(1)$  correctly

1 pt = set up expression for  $L(x)$  or formula for  $\text{Mtn. iter.}$

0.5 pt = solve and get  $x=2$ .

(b) 1 pt = define  $A(x) = x^2$ , differentiate and get  $\frac{dA}{dt} = 2x \cdot \frac{dx}{dt}$

0.5 pt = express  $\frac{dx}{dt}$  as  $(1/2x) \frac{dA}{dt}$  and argue that  $\frac{dx}{dt}$  decreases

1 pt = correct answer (incl. by intuition)

(c) 1 pt = graph has no abs extremes; 0.5 pt = it has c.p.,

0.5 pt = closed interval; 0.5 pt = axis labels.

(d) 1 pt = correctly plug in  $f(x)$  and  $L(x)$  into  $\frac{f(x)}{x-a}$ .

1.5 pt = figure out how to get correct limit as  $x \rightarrow a$ .