

## 99 PROBLEMS

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Legend: (\*) harder; (\*\*) even harder

### 1. SOME ALGEBRA

- (1) Assuming  $h \neq 0$ , what is  $\frac{f(x+h)-f(x)}{h}$  where  $f(x) = (x+1)^2$ ? Simplify.
- (2) Find the domain of the function

$$f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{x+2} + \log_2(5-x)}{x}.$$

- (3) (\*) Consider the function  $f(x) = \ln(x + \sqrt{1+x^2})$ . Find the domain of  $f$ . Determine the parity of this function, i.e. is it odd, even, or neither?
- (4) What is the equation of the secant line joining the points of the graph  $f(x) = 2^x$  whose x-coordinates are respectively 1 and 2?
- (5) Find the point(s) of intersection of the hyperbolas  $x^2 + 3xy = 54$  and  $xy + 4y^2 = 115$ .

### 2. LIMITS

Finding the limit at a real value without using l'Hôpital's rule

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| (6) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} x^2 - 7x + 12 + \sqrt{x^2 - 5} =$    | (9) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^4 + 5x - 3}{2 - \sqrt{x^2 + 4}} =$ |
| (7) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^2 - 4x + 4}{x^2 - 5x + 6} =$ | (10) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^3 - 1}{(x-1)^2} =$                |
| (8) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{3 - \sqrt{x+5}}{x-4} =$        | (11) (*) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^4 \cos(2/x) =$                      |

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## Limits of trigonometric type

(12)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin^2 5x}{2x \tan 3x} =$

(13)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos 2x - 1}{\cos x - 1} =$

## Limits at infinity

(14)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{7}{x^3 - 4} =$

(18)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{7x^2 - x + 11}{4 - x} =$

(15)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{10}{x^2 + 10} =$

(19)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x + 3}{\sqrt{9x^2 - 5x}} =$

(16)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{7x^2 + x - 100}{2x^2 - 5x} =$

(20) (\*)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{x-2}{x-1} \right)^x =$

(17)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x - \sqrt{x^2 + 7} =$

## One sided limits

(21)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} \frac{x^2 + 3x}{9 - x^2} =$

(22)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} \frac{x^2 - 3x}{x^2 - 9} =$

## 3. ASYMPTOTES

- (23) The line  $y = mx + p$ , with  $m \neq 0$  is an **oblique asymptote** (or **slant asymptote**) of  $f(x)$  iff  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(x)}{x} = m$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) - mx = p$ . Show that  $f(x) = \sqrt{x^2 - 4x}$  has an oblique asymptote at  $\infty$  and a different one at  $-\infty$ .
- (24) (\*) Show that if  $f(x)$  is a rational function then  $f(x)$  has an oblique asymptote iff the degree of the numerator is exactly one more than the degree of the denominator. [hint: how can you write  $f(x)$  after performing polynomial division?]. Find the oblique asymptote(s) of  $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 6x + 1}{x - 2}$  using (a) the above definition and (b) using long division.
- (25) (\*) Can a rational function have two distinct oblique asymptotes?

Find all asymptotes (vertical, horizontal and/or oblique) of the following functions

$$(26) e(x) = \frac{x^2 - 4x}{2x + 1}$$

$$(27) f(x) = \frac{2x + 1}{3x + 2}$$

$$(28) h(x) = \frac{x^4 + 1}{x^2 - 1}$$

$$(29) i(x) = \frac{x^3}{x^2 + 1}$$

$$(30) j(x) = 2x - \sqrt{4x^2 + 4}$$

$$(31) \text{ Find all the asymptotes (if any) to the function } f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 1}{x|x + 1|}$$

$$(32) (*) \text{ Consider the function } f(x) = ax - \sqrt{bx^2 - 1} \text{ where } b \geq 0. \text{ For which value(s) of } a \text{ and } b \text{ does this function have an oblique asymptote of slope 5 at } -\infty \text{ and of slope 1 at } +\infty?$$

#### 4. DERIVATIVES

$$(33) \text{ Using the limit definition, compute } f'(3) \text{ where } f(x) = x^2 + \frac{2}{x}$$

Compute the derivatives of the following functions:

$$(34) f(x) = 4x^5 - 5x^4$$

$$(35) g(x) = 3x^2(x^3 + 1)^7$$

$$(36) h(x) = \frac{(3x - 1)^2}{x^2 + 2^x}$$

$$(37) i(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \ln^2(x)}}$$

$$(38) j(x) = (\arctan(2x))^{10}$$

$$(39) k(x) = x^7(x^2 - x)^8 \sin^4(x^2)e^{4x}$$

$$(40) l(x) = \arcsin(2^{\sin x})$$

$$(41) m(x) = \log_5(3x^2 + x)$$

$$(42) n(x) = \frac{3 \sin(x) + 2}{4 \sin(x) + 3}$$

$$(43) \text{ Determine the following limit quickly: } \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + 5} - 3}{x - 2}.$$

$$(44) \text{ Find } f' \left( \frac{3\pi}{2} \right) \text{ where } f(x) = (\cos x + 1)^x.$$

$$(45) \text{ If } f(2) = 3, g(2) = 4, g(3) = 2, f'(2) = 5 \text{ and } g'(3) = 2 \text{ find}$$

$$\left( \frac{f(g(x)) + x}{f^2(2x - 4)} \right)'$$

at  $x = 3$ .

$$(46) \text{ Find } \frac{dy}{dx} \text{ where } y \text{ is a differentiable function satisfying } \frac{\sin y}{y^2 + 1} = 3x.$$

#### 5. TANGENTS

$$(47) \text{ Find the point of intersection of the lines tangent to the graph of } f(x) = x \sin(x) \text{ at } x = \frac{\pi}{2} \text{ and } x = \pi.$$

(48) Find the tangent(s) to the graph of  $f(x) = x^2 - 2x + 1$  passing through the point  $(4, 1)$ .

(49) Find the equation of the line tangent at  $(1, 1)$  to the graph of the function

$$y^4 + xy = x^3 - x + 2.$$

(50) (\*) (Legendre Transform) Consider a smooth convex function  $f(x)$ . Pick a slope  $m$  and let  $f^*(m)$  be the y-intercept of the tangent to the graph of  $f(x)$  whose slope is  $m$ . Find the function  $f^*(m)$  where  $f(x) = x^2 - 2x$ .

#### 6. EXTREMA & CONCAVITY

(51) The function  $f(x) = a \ln x - a^3 x$  has a local minimum at  $x = 4$  for  $a \neq 0$ . What is  $a$ ?

(52) Over which interval is  $f(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 3x$  (a) concave up? (b) decreasing?

#### 7. STUDY OF FUNCTIONS

Study the following functions. I.e. find the (1) domain, (2) asymptotes and/or discontinuities, study the (3) growth and (4) concavity; locate (5) all extrema and inflection points; (6) find the roots and (7) sketch the graph

(53)  $x^3 - 3x^2$

(54)  $x^4 - 2x^3$

(55)  $\frac{3x+4}{2x+3}$

(56)  $\frac{x^3}{x^2-4}$

(57)  $\frac{x(x-3)^2}{(x-2)^2}$

(58)  $\sqrt{1-x^2}$

(59)  $\sqrt{x^2-1}$

(60)  $3\left(\sqrt{x^2-1}-x\right)$

(61)  $\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{x(1-x)}$

(62)  $\frac{|x-2|}{x-3}$

(63)  $\frac{|x-2|}{x} - 3$

(64) (\*)  $3x^{\frac{2}{3}} - 2x$

(65)  $\sin(2x) - 2x$

(66) (\*) Consider the function  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2-3x+2}$ . Study and sketch the function. Using the previous graph, plot (a)  $\phi(x) = e^{f(x)}$  and, (b)  $\psi(x) = f(|x|)$ .

#### 8. VARIA

(67) Give a lower bound on the number of roots of  $f(x) = \cos(\pi x)/x$  on the interval  $[1, 3]$ . [hint: Intermediate value theorem]

(68) Suppose that a function  $f(x)$  has a maximum at  $x = 3$ . True or False? Justify.

- The function  $f^2(x)$  has a maximum at 3.
- The function  $e^{f(x)}$  has a maximum at 3.
- The function  $f(x-3)$  has a maximum at 0.

- (69) Without a calculator estimate  $\sin^2\left(.99\frac{\pi}{4}\right)$ .
- (70) If  $-1 \leq f'(x) \leq 3$  for all  $x$  in  $[1, 4]$  and  $f(2) = 4$ , find the maximal and minimal possible values of  $f(4)$ .
- (71) (\*\*) Suppose that  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is a continuous function. Prove that  $f$  has a fixed point in  $[0, 1]$ , i.e., there is at least one real number  $x$  in  $[0, 1]$  such that  $f(x) = x$ .
- (72) (\*\*) Suppose that  $g$  is a continuous function on  $[0, 2]$  satisfying  $f(0) = f(2)$ . Show that there is at least one real number  $x$  in  $[1, 2]$  with  $f(x) = f(x - 1)$ .
- (73) Suppose that  $\sum_{i=1}^{10} a_i = 100$  compute  $\sum_{i=1}^{10} (2a_i + 3 - i)$ .

## 9. RELATED RATES

- (74) A  $10ft$  ladder is leaning against the wall. How fast is the bottom of the ladder sliding when the top part is  $3ft$  above the ground and gliding at a rate of  $1ft$  per second.
- (75) A conical cup has a diameter of  $4cm$  and a height of  $8cm$ . How fast is the level dropping when the height is  $4cm$  and the water escapes from the bottom at a rate of  $1cm^3$

## 10. OPTIMIZATION

- (76) Find the maximal area of rectangle whose sides are parallel to the coordinate axes and whose vertices lie on the curve of equation  $x^2 + y^4 = 1$ .
- (77) We have  $12 m^2$  of material to make a box whose bottom is square and sides are rectangular (the box has no top). What is the maximal volume that such a box can have?

## 11. INTEGRATION

- (78) Using 4 rectangles and the right endpoint method estimate  $\int_0^{12} \frac{2}{x+2} dx$ .
- (79) Compute the area under the graph of  $g(x) = x + 3x^3 - \sin(2x) + xe^{x^2} + x^2$  over the interval  $[-3, 3]$ .

Compute the following integrals

$$(80) \int_0^1 xe^{-x^2} dx$$

$$(81) \int (\sin x + \cos x)^2 dx$$

$$(82) \int_0^1 \frac{x^4 - 3x^2}{x^2} dx$$

$$(83) \int_{-2}^3 |x - 1| dx$$

$$(84) \int \frac{x^3}{x^2 + \pi} dx$$

$$(85) \int x5^{2x} dx$$

(86) (\*)  $\int_0^1 \frac{x}{\sqrt{x+1}} dx$

(87) (\*)  $\int \frac{1}{1+e^x} dx$

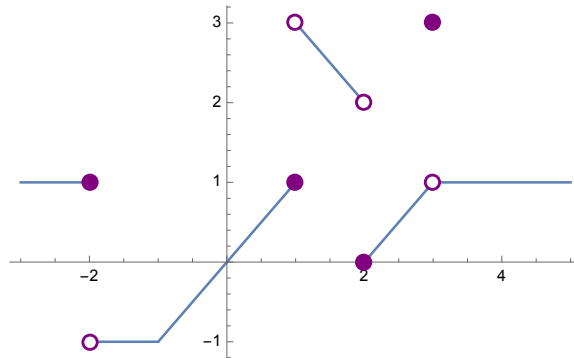
(88) (\*\*)  $\int \frac{1}{1+\sin^2(x)} dx$

(89) Compute the area of the region between the parabolas  $y = 2x^2 - 2$  and  $y = x^2 + x$ .(90) Compute the area of the region bound by  $y = x^3 + x$ ,  $y = x^3$ ,  $x = -2$  and  $x = 1$ .

## 12. FUNDAMENTAL THEOREM OF CALCULUS

(91) Find  $f'(x)$  where  $f(x) = \int_x^{x^2} \frac{\sin t}{t} dt$ .

## 13. GRAPH ANALYSIS



Based on the above picture representing the graph of  $f(x)$ , answer the following questions.

(92)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x) =$

(93)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x) =$

(94) (\*)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} f(-x) =$

(95)  $f'(\frac{3}{2}) =$

(96)  $\int_{-1}^3 f(x) dx$

(97)  $F'(4) =$  where  $F(x) = \int_0^x f(t) dt$

(98) Sketch  $f'(x)$

(99) Sketch  $F(x) = \int_1^x f(t) dt$

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