

Practice for Final Exam

MATH 125 — Calculus 1

Monday, April 29

Please print your name:

Besides the allowed calculator, no notes or tools of any kind will be permitted.

The final exam is cumulative. The problems below only cover the material since Midterm #3.

- Start by doing the practice problems for Midterm #1, #2 and #3, as well as the problems below.
- Then, retake all quizzes. (Versions with and without solutions are posted to our course website.)
- Finally, retake Midterm #1, #2 and #3.

Problem 1. Compute the following derivatives.

(a) $\frac{d}{dx} \int_{x^2}^5 \sin(t^2 + 1) dt$

(c) $\frac{d}{dx} \int_{3x^2}^{5x^2} \cos(\sin(t)) dt$

(b) $\frac{d}{dx} \int_{\sqrt{x}}^{4\sqrt{x}} \sin(t^2 + 1) dt$

(d) $\frac{d}{dx} \int_{1/x}^x \cos(\sin(t)) dt$

Solution. Note that $\int_a^b f(t) dt = \int_m^b f(t) dt - \int_m^a f(t) dt$ for any m (provided that a, b, m are in an interval I on which f is continuous).

(a) $\frac{d}{dx} \int_{x^2}^5 \sin(t^2 + 1) dt = -\frac{d}{dx} \int_5^{x^2} \sin(t^2 + 1) dt = -2x \sin(x^4 + 1)$

(b) $\frac{d}{dx} \int_{\sqrt{x}}^{4\sqrt{x}} \sin(t^2 + 1) dt = \frac{d}{dx} \left[\int_a^{4\sqrt{x}} \sin(t^2 + 1) dt - \int_a^{\sqrt{x}} \sin(t^2 + 1) dt \right] = 4 \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \sin((4\sqrt{x})^2 + 1) - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \sin(x + 1)$
 $= \frac{2}{\sqrt{x}} \sin(16x + 1) - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \sin(x + 1)$

(c) $\frac{d}{dx} \int_{3x^2}^{5x^2} \cos(\sin(t)) dt = \frac{d}{dx} \left[\int_a^{5x^2} \cos(\sin(t)) dt - \int_a^{3x^2} \cos(\sin(t)) dt \right] = 10x \cos(\sin(5x^2)) - 6x \cos(\sin(3x^2))$

(d) $\frac{d}{dx} \int_{1/x}^x \cos(\sin(t)) dt = \frac{d}{dx} \left[\int_a^x \cos(\sin(t)) dt - \int_a^{1/x} \cos(\sin(t)) dt \right] = \cos(\sin(x)) - \cos\left(\sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)\right) \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{x^2}\right)$
 $= \cos(\sin(x)) + \frac{1}{x^2} \cos\left(\sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)\right)$ □

Problem 2.

(a) Find the net area between the x -axis and $f(x) = x^3 - 4x$ for x in $[-1, 3]$.

(b) Find the total area between the x -axis and $f(x) = x^3 - 4x$ for x in $[-1, 3]$.

Solution.

(a) The net area is: $\int_{-1}^3 (x^3 - 4x) dx = \left[\frac{1}{4}x^4 - 2x^2 \right]_{-1}^3 = \frac{9}{4} - \left(-\frac{7}{4}\right) = 4$

(b) Note that $f(x) = x(x^2 - 4) = x(x - 2)(x + 2)$, so that $f(x) = 0$ for $x = -2, 0, 2$.

Hence, we conclude that $f(x) \leq 0$ for $x \leq -2$, $f(x) \geq 0$ for x in $[-2, 0]$, $f(x) \leq 0$ for x in $[0, 2]$ and $f(x) \geq 0$ for $x \geq 2$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Consequently, the total area is: } & \int_{-1}^0 f(x) dx - \int_0^2 f(x) dx + \int_2^3 f(x) dx \\ &= \left[\frac{1}{4}x^4 - 2x^2 \right]_{-1}^0 - \left[\frac{1}{4}x^4 - 2x^2 \right]_0^2 + \left[\frac{1}{4}x^4 - 2x^2 \right]_2^3 = \left(0 - \left(-\frac{7}{4} \right) \right) - (-4 - 0) + \left(\frac{9}{4} - (-4) \right) = 12 \end{aligned}$$

Comment. Equivalently, the total area is $\int_{-1}^3 |x^3 - 4x| dx$. □

Problem 3. Let $f(x) = x^3 - x^2 - 2x$.

(a) What are the minimum, maximum and average value of $f(x)$ for x in $[-1, 3]$?

(b) What are the minimum, maximum and average value of $f(x)$ for x in $[-1, 1]$?

Solution. Since $f'(x) = 3x^2 - 2x - 2$ has roots $\frac{1}{3}(1 \pm \sqrt{7})$, the critical points of $f(x)$ are $\frac{1}{3}(1 - \sqrt{7}) \approx -0.549$ and $\frac{1}{3}(1 + \sqrt{7}) \approx 1.215$.

(a) The average value is:

$$\frac{1}{3 - (-1)} \int_{-1}^3 f(x) dx = \frac{1}{4} \int_{-1}^3 (x^3 - x^2 - 2x) dx = \frac{1}{4} \left[\frac{1}{4}x^4 - \frac{1}{3}x^3 - x^2 \right]_{-1}^3 = \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{9}{4} - \left(-\frac{5}{12} \right) \right) = \frac{2}{3}$$

Minimum and maximum have to occur either at an endpoint ($x = -1$ or $x = 3$) or at a critical point ($x = \frac{1}{3}(1 - \sqrt{7})$ or $x = \frac{1}{3}(1 + \sqrt{7})$). Since $f(-1) = 0$, $f(3) = 12$, $f(\frac{1}{3}(1 - \sqrt{7})) \approx 0.631$, $f(\frac{1}{3}(1 + \sqrt{7})) \approx -2.113$, the minimum is $f(\frac{1}{3}(1 + \sqrt{7})) \approx -2.113$ and the maximum is $f(3) = 12$.

(b) The average value is:

$$\frac{1}{1 - (-1)} \int_{-1}^1 f(x) dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 (x^3 - x^2 - 2x) dx = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{1}{4}x^4 - \frac{1}{3}x^3 - x^2 \right]_{-1}^1 = \frac{1}{2} \left(-\frac{13}{12} - \left(-\frac{5}{12} \right) \right) = -\frac{1}{3}$$

Minimum and maximum have to occur either at an endpoint ($x = -1$ or $x = 1$) or at a critical point (only $x = \frac{1}{3}(1 - \sqrt{7})$ is in the interval $[-1, 1]$). Since $f(-1) = 0$, $f(1) = -2$, $f(\frac{1}{3}(1 - \sqrt{7})) \approx 0.631$, the minimum is $f(1) = -2$ and the maximum is $f(\frac{1}{3}(1 - \sqrt{7})) \approx 0.631$. □