

Math 1271 Quiz 7

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NO CALCULATORS. NO HANDHELD DEVICES. NO BOOKS OR REFERENCE MATERIALS OF ANY KIND.
Time allowed: 20 minutes; Grader: Ashley Earls. Good luck!

1. Let $f(x) = 2x^2 - 3x + 1$.

(a) (20 points) Verify that f satisfies the hypotheses of the Mean Value Theorem on the interval $[0, 2]$.

f is a polynomial, so

f is continuous on $[0, 2]$

and f is differentiable on $(0, 2)$.

(b) (15 points) Find all numbers c that satisfy the conclusion of the Mean Value Theorem.

$$f'(x) = 4x - 3$$

$$4c - 3 = f'(c) = \frac{f(2) - f(0)}{2 - 0} = \frac{8 - 6 + 1 - 1}{2} = \frac{2}{2} = 1$$

$$4c = 4$$

$$c = 1 \in (0, 2)$$

$c = 1$ is the only answer

2. (15 points, no partial credit) Let $f(x) = \tan(x)$. Note that $f(0) = f(\pi) = 0$.

True or false? By Rolle's Theorem, there exists $c \in (0, \pi)$ with $f'(c) = 0$.

True

False

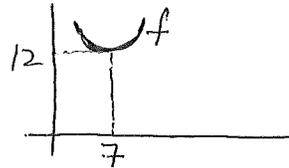
$$f'(c) = \sec^2 c = \frac{1}{\cos^2 c} \text{ is never } 0.$$

3. (15 points, no partial credit) Let $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be any continuous function.

True or false? If $f(7) = 12$, $f'(7) = 0$, and $f''(7) = 3$, then f has a local minimum at $x = 7$.

True

False

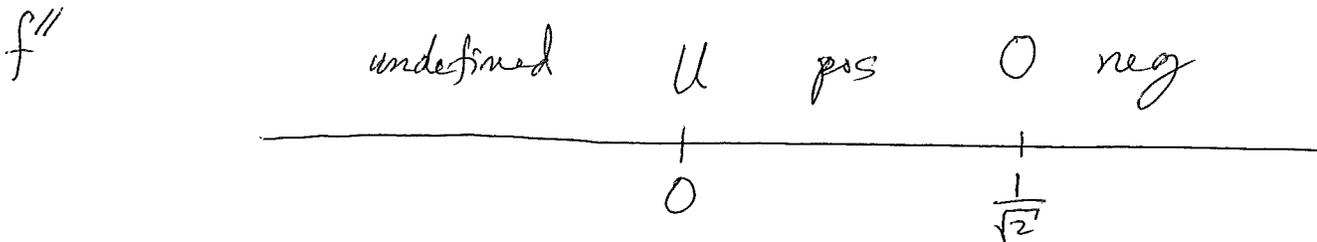


4. (35 points) Let $f(x) = x - x^2 - \ln(x)$. Find the maximal intervals of concavity and the inflection points for f .

For all $x \leq 0$, $f(x)$ is undefined, so
 $f'(x)$ and $f''(x)$ are also undefined.

$$f'(x) \stackrel{x > 0}{=} 1 - 2x - \frac{1}{x} = 1 - 2x - x^{-1}$$

$$f''(x) \stackrel{x > 0}{=} -2 + x^{-2} = \frac{-2x^2 + 1}{x^2} = \frac{-2(x + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}})(x - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}})}{x^2}$$



f is concave up on $(0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}]$.

f is concave down on $[\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \infty)$.

The only point of inflection for f is

$$\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{1}{2} - \ln\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)\right).$$