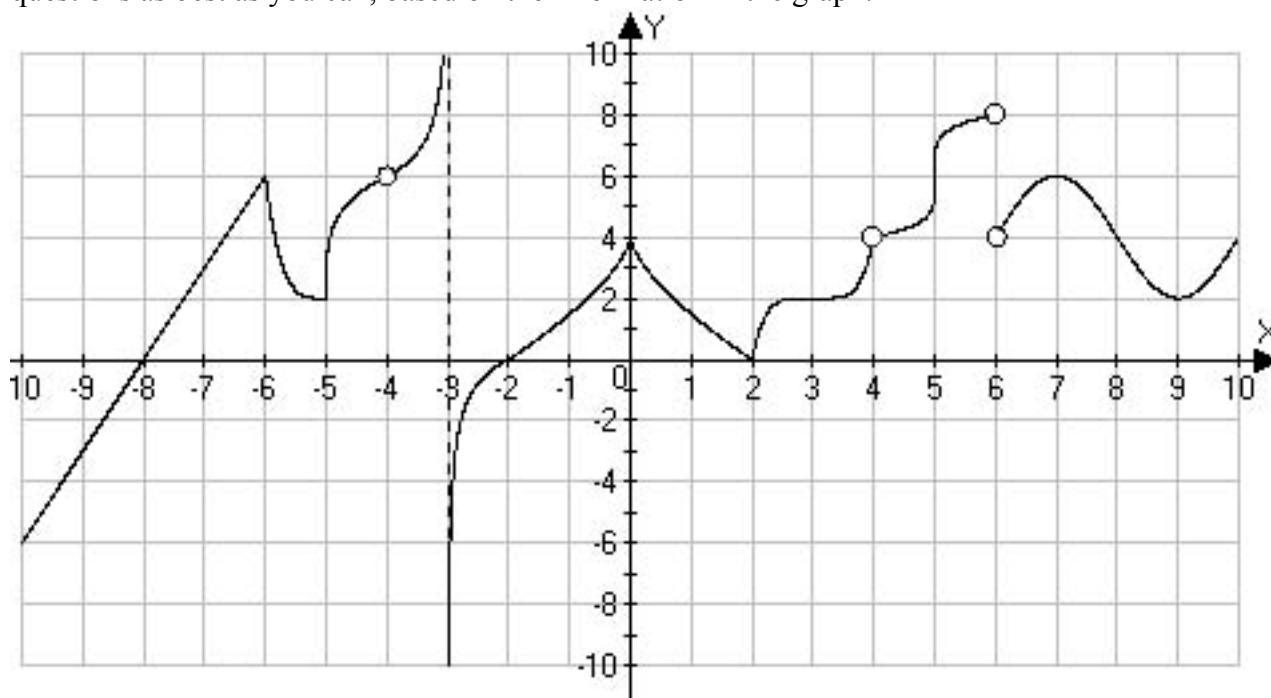


Show your work for credit. Write all responses on separate paper. Do not use a calculator.

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- Find  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 6} f(x)$  or explain why it does not exist.
- Is  $f$  continuous throughout its domain? Why or why not?
- Where does  $f(x)$  have a removable discontinuity? List all values of  $x$  where this is true.
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- Find all values of  $a$  so that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} = \infty$
- What is  $f'(-8)$ ?
- Based on the graph, what is the domain of  $y = f'(x)$ ? Use interval notation.
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2. Find the limit if it exists, or state why it does not exist.

a.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x^3 - 27}{x^3 - 3x^2 + x - 3}$

b.  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 2} \frac{2-t}{|4-t^2|}$

c.  $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 2} (\theta - 2)^{\sin(\pi\theta)}$

3. Simplify the derivative  $dy/dx$  for each:

a.  $y = \frac{(x + \lambda)^5}{x^5 + \lambda^5}$

b.  $y = \frac{\arctan(mx)}{x}$

c.  $y = \ln \left| \frac{x^2 - 1}{3x + 2} \right|$

4. Consider the function  $f(x) = \sqrt{1 - \tan(4x)}$

a. Find an equation for the line tangent to  $y = f(x)$  at  $(0,1)$ .

b. Use the linearization at  $(0,1)$  to approximate  $f\left(\frac{\pi}{12}\right)$ .

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8. Let  $f(x) = \cos^2 x - 2 \sin x$  on the interval  $[0, 2\pi]$ .

a. Find all critical numbers for  $f(x)$ .

b. Find all inflection points for  $f(x)$ .

c. Sketch a graph for  $y = f(x)$  showing the key features.

9. Consider  $f(x) = x^{1/4}$  on the interval  $[16,17]$

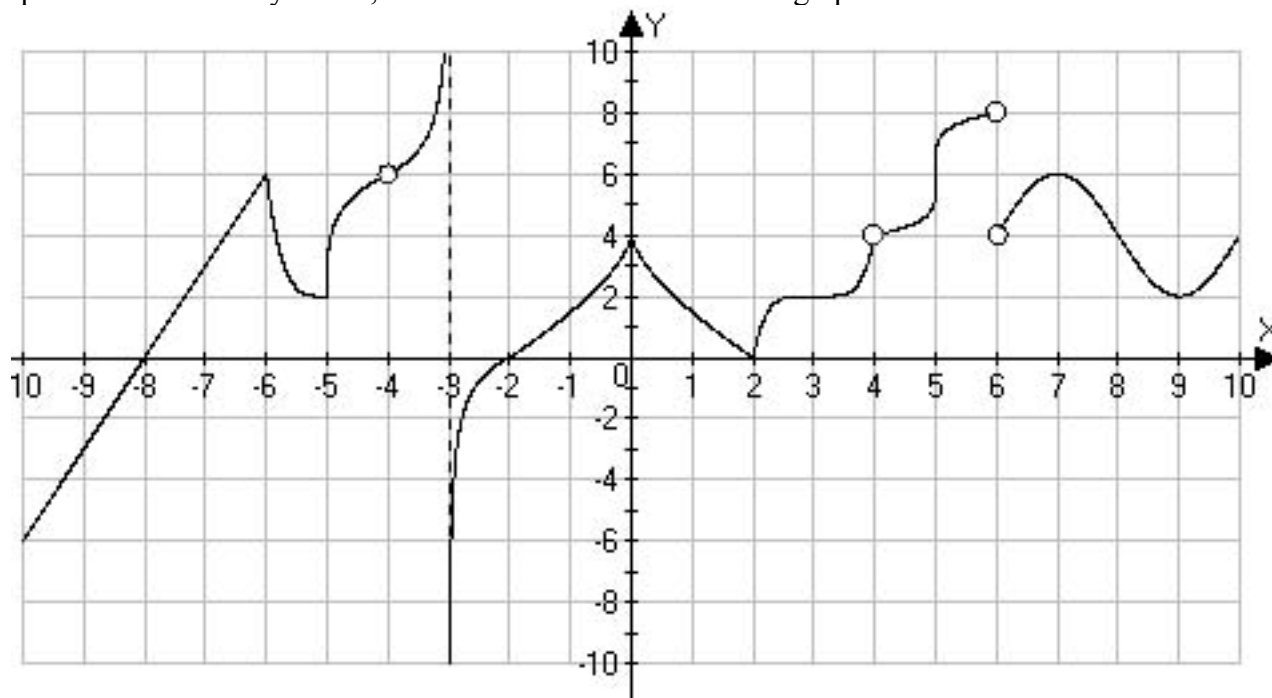
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## Math 1A – Final Exam Solutions – Fall 2010

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- a. What is  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 6^-} f(x)$  if it exists, if not, explain why not.

SOLN:  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 6^-} f(x) = 8$

- b. Find  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 6} f(x)$  or explain why it does not exist.

SOLN:  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 6} f(x)$  does not exist since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 6^+} f(x) = 4 \neq 8 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 6^-} f(x)$

- c. Is  $f$  continuous throughout its domain? Why or why not?

SOLN: Yes,  $f$  is undefined at  $-4$ ,  $-3$ ,  $4$  and  $6$  where the discontinuities are.

- d. Where does  $f(x)$  have a removable discontinuity? List all values of  $x$  where this is true.

SOLN: There are removable discontinuities at  $-4$  and  $4$ .

- e. Find all values of  $a$  so that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} = 0$

SOLN at  $x = 3, 7$  and  $9$

- f. Find all values of  $a$  so that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} = \infty$

SOLN: Looks like the slopes approach positive infinity from the right at  $x = -5$  and  $5$ .

- g. What is  $f'(-8)$ ?

SOLN:  $3$

- h. Based on the graph, what is the domain of  $y = f'(x)$ ? Use interval notation.

SOLN:  $(-10, -6)$ ,  $(-6, -5)$ ,  $(-5, -4)$ ,  $(-4, -3)$ ,  $(-3, 0)$ ,  $(0, 2)$ ,  $(2, 4)$ ,  $(4, 5)$ ,  $(5, 6)$ , and  $(6, 10)$

- i. Where on the graph does it appear that  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{f(x) - f(x+h)}{h} = -\lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(x) - f(x+h)}{h} = 2$ ?

SOLN: At  $x = 0$ .

2. Find the limit if it exists, or state why it does not exist.

a. 
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x^3 - 27}{x^3 - 3x^2 + x - 3} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{(x-3)(x^2 + 3x + 9)}{x^2(x-3) + (x-3)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{(x-3)(x^2 + 3x + 9)}{(x-3)(x^2 + 1)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x^2 + 3x + 9}{x^2 + 1} = \frac{27}{10}$$

b. 
$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{2-t}{|4-t^2|} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{2-t}{t^2-4} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{2-t}{(t-2)(t+2)} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{-1}{t+2} = -\frac{1}{4}$$
 which is not equal to the limit from the

other side: 
$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{2-t}{|4-t^2|} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{2-t}{4-t^2} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{2-t}{(2-t)(2+t)} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{1}{t+2} = \frac{1}{4}$$
, so the limit does not exist.

c. 
$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 2^+} (\theta-2)^{\sin(\pi\theta)}$$
 For this limit, use a logarithm. Let  $y = (\theta-2)^{\sin(\pi\theta)}$  so that

$$\ln y = \sin(\pi\theta) \ln(\theta-2) = \frac{\ln(\theta-2)}{\csc(\pi\theta)} \text{ and } \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 2^+} \ln y = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{\ln(\theta-2)}{\csc(\pi\theta)}$$
 is an  $\infty/\infty$  situation where we can

apply L'Hospital's rule: 
$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{\ln(\theta-2)}{\csc(\pi\theta)} = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{-1}{(\theta-2)\csc(\pi\theta)\cot(\pi\theta)} = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{-\sin^2(\pi\theta)}{\pi(\theta-2)\cos(\pi\theta)}$$
. This

last limit is a  $0/0$  situation, so we apply L'Hospital's rule again:

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{-\sin^2(\pi\theta)}{\pi(\theta-2)\cos(\pi\theta)} = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{-\pi \sin(\pi\theta)\cos(\pi\theta)}{\pi \cos(\pi\theta) - \pi^2(\theta-2)\sin(\pi\theta)} = \frac{0}{\pi} = 0 \text{ so } \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 2^+} \ln y = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 2^+} y = 1}$$

3. Simplify the derivative  $dy/dx$  for each:

$$y = \frac{(x+\lambda)^5}{x^5 + \lambda^5} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{5(x^5 + \lambda^5)(x+\lambda)^4 - 5x^4(x+\lambda)^5}{(x^5 + \lambda^5)^2} = \frac{5(x+\lambda)^4 [(x^5 + \lambda^5) - x^4(x+\lambda)]}{(x^5 + \lambda^5)^2}$$

a. 
$$= \frac{5\lambda(x+\lambda)^4(\lambda^4 - x^4)}{(x^5 + \lambda^5)^2} = \frac{5\lambda(x+\lambda)^4(\lambda^4 - x^4)}{(x+\lambda)^2(x^4 - \lambda x^3 + \lambda^2 x^2 - \lambda^3 x + \lambda^4)^2} = \boxed{\frac{5\lambda(x+\lambda)^2(\lambda-x)(\lambda^3 + \lambda^2 x + \lambda x^2 - x^3)}{(x^4 - \lambda x^3 + \lambda^2 x^2 - \lambda^3 x + \lambda^4)^2}}$$

b. 
$$y = \frac{\arctan(mx)}{x} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\frac{mx}{1+m^2x^2} - \arctan(mx)}{x^2} \left( \frac{1+m^2x^2}{1+m^2x^2} \right) = \boxed{\frac{mx - (1+m^2x^2)\arctan(mx)}{x^2(1+m^2x^2)}}$$

c. 
$$y = \ln \left| \frac{x^2-1}{3x+2} \right| = \frac{3x+2}{x^2-1} \cdot \frac{2x(3x+2) - 3(x^2-1)}{(3x+2)^2} = \boxed{\frac{3x^2 + 4x + 3}{(3x+2)(x^2-1)}}$$

4. Consider the function  $f(x) = \sqrt{1 - \tan(4x)}$

a. Find an equation for the line tangent to  $y = f(x)$  at  $(0,1)$ .

SOLN: 
$$f'(x) = \frac{-2\sec^2(4x)}{\sqrt{1-\tan(4x)}} \Rightarrow f'(0) = -2$$
, so an equation of the tangent line is  $y - 1 = -2x$

b. Use the linearization at  $(0,1)$  to approximate  $f\left(\frac{\pi}{12}\right)$ .

$$f\left(\frac{\pi}{12}\right) \approx f(0) + f'(0)\frac{\pi}{12} = 1 - \frac{\pi}{6}$$

5. Find values of  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  so that the parabola  $y = ax^2 + bx + c$  passes through the point  $(-1,5)$  and has tangent lines at  $x = -5$  and  $x = -3$  have slopes 2 and 6, respectively.

$$a - b + c = 5$$

SOLN: The three constraints lead to a linear 3X3 system:  $-10a + b = 2$ . The difference of the last two

$$-6a + b = 6$$

equations indicate that  $4a = 4$  so  $a = 1$  and thus  $b = 12$ . Plugging these into the first equation yields  $c = 16$  and so the parabola is  $y = x^2 + 12x + 16$  Hey, this test was given on December 16<sup>th</sup>!

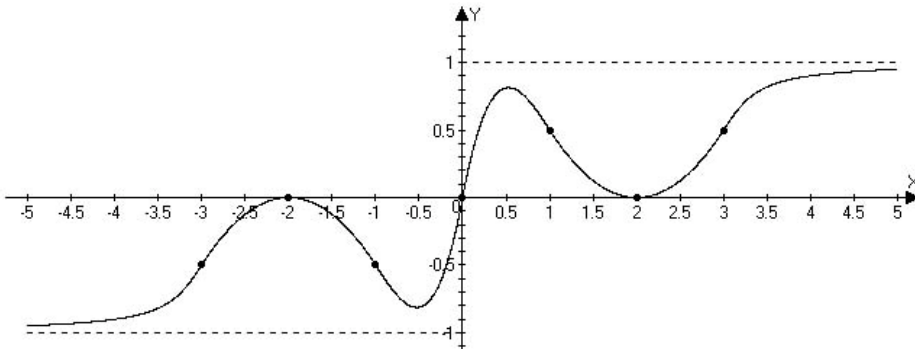
6. The angle of elevation of the sun is increasing at a rate of 0.25 radians per hour. How fast is the shadow cast by a 100 meters tall building decreasing when the angle of elevation of the sun is  $\pi/3$  ?

SOLN: Let  $x$  = the length of the shadow and let  $\theta$  = the angle of elevation of the sun. Then  $\tan \theta = 100/x$  and so  $\sec^2 \theta (d\theta/dt) = (-100/x^2)(dx/dt)$ . Now when  $\theta = \pi/3$ ,  $x = 100/\sqrt{3}$  and  $\sec^2(\pi/3) = 4$ . Plugging in all these values, we get  $4(0.25) = (-300/1000)(dx/dt)$  so that  $dx/dt = -10/3$  meters per second is the rate of change of the shadow's length.

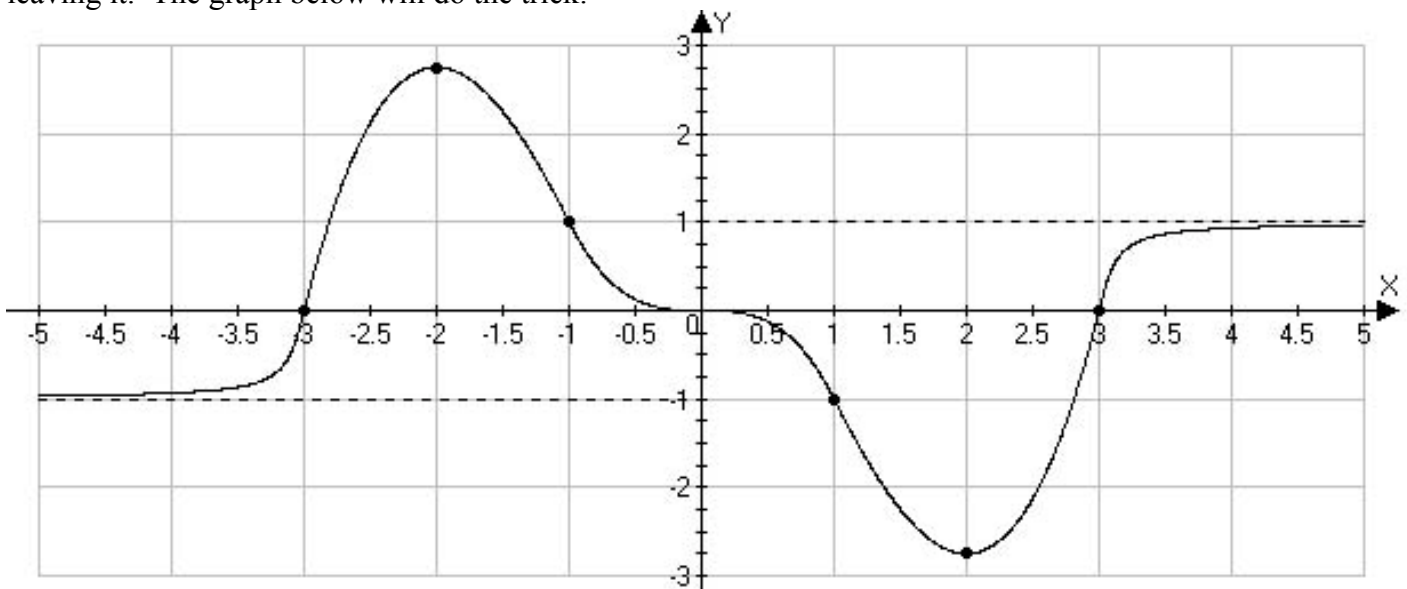
7. Sketch a graph of a function that satisfies the given conditions:

$f$  is odd,  $f'(x) > 0$  for  $x < -2$ ,  $f'(x) < 0$  for  $-2 < x < 0$ ,

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Oh, crap – that doesn't fit  $f'(x) < 0$  for  $-2 < x < 0$ . And it took a really long time to work up, so I'm leaving it. The graph below will do the trick:



8. Let  $f(x) = \cos^2 x - 2 \sin x$  on the interval  $[0, 2\pi]$ .

a. Find all critical numbers for  $f(x)$ .

SOLN:  $f'(x) = -2 \cos x \sin x - 2 \cos x = -2 \cos x (\sin x + 1) = 0 \Leftrightarrow x = \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}$

b. Find all inflection points for  $f(x)$ .

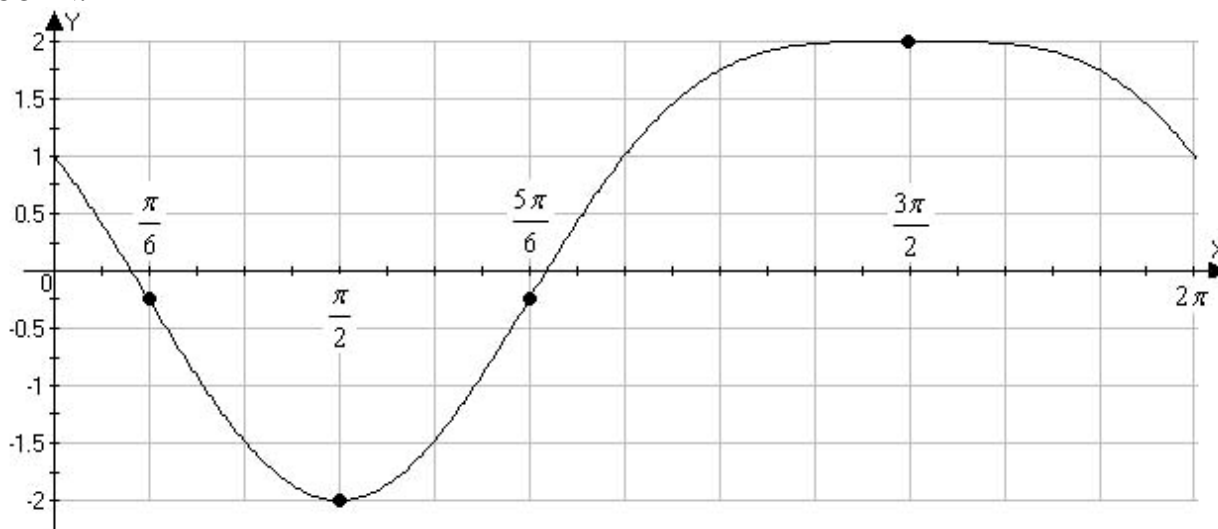
SOLN:  $f''(x) = 2(2 \sin^2 x - 1) + 2 \sin x = 2 \sin^2 x + \sin x - 1 = (2 \sin x - 1)(\sin x + 1) = 0$

where  $x = \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{5\pi}{6}, \frac{3\pi}{2}$ , but doesn't change sign at  $\frac{3\pi}{2}$ , so the inflection points are

$\left(\frac{\pi}{6}, -\frac{1}{4}\right)$  and  $\left(\frac{5\pi}{6}, -\frac{1}{4}\right)$ .

c. Sketch a graph for  $y = f(x)$  showing the key features.

SOLN:



9. Consider  $f(x) = x^{1/4}$  on the interval  $[16, 17]$

a. State the conditions of the mean value theorem and explain why  $f$  meets the conditions on this interval.

SOLN: The conditions of the MVT are that  $f$  is continuous on  $[16, 17]$  and differentiable on  $(16, 17)$ .

b. Find a value of  $c$  whose existence is guaranteed by the mean value theorem.

SOLN:  $f'(c) = \frac{1}{4c^{3/4}} = \frac{f(17) - f(16)}{17 - 16} = \sqrt[4]{17} - 2 \Leftrightarrow c = \left(\frac{1}{4(\sqrt[4]{17} - 2)}\right)^{4/3} \approx 16.49557975$

10. Find the dimensions of the largest rectangle that will fit above the  $x$ -axis and below  $y = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$

SOLN: Since the function has  $y$ -axis symmetry, the rectangle will have the same symmetry and the area

will be  $A = \text{height} \cdot \text{width} = A(x) = \frac{2x}{1+x^2} \Rightarrow A'(x) = \frac{2(1+x^2) - 4x^2}{(1+x^2)^2} = 0 \Leftrightarrow x^2 = 1$  so the rectangle will be

2 units wide and  $\frac{1}{2}$  unit tall, for an area of 1 square unit.

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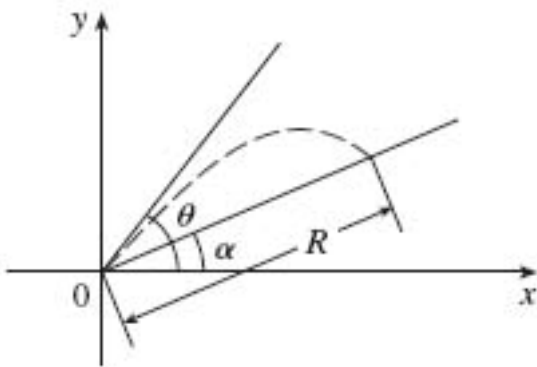
1. If a projectile is fired with an initial velocity  $v$  at an angle of inclination  $\theta$  from the horizontal, then its trajectory, neglecting air resistance, is the parabola

$$y = (\tan \theta)x - \frac{g}{2v^2 \cos^2 \theta} x^2 \quad 0 < \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}$$

- a. Suppose the parabola is fired from the base of a plane that is inclined at an angle  $\alpha$ ,  $\alpha > 0$ , from the horizontal, as shown in the figure. Show that the range of the projectile, measure up the slope, is given by

$$R(\theta) = \frac{2v^2 \cos \theta \sin(\theta - \alpha)}{g \cos^2 \alpha}$$

- b. Suppose the parabola is fired from the base of a plane that is inclined at an angle  $\alpha$  below the horizontal (as shown in the diagram below.) Determine the range  $R$  in this case, and determine the angle at which the projectile should be fired to maximize  $R$ .



2. Suppose a function  $y = f(x)$  satisfies the equation  $y^2 \cos(\pi x) + x^2 y + y^3 = 1$  in a neighborhood of the point  $(1,1)$ . Find an equation for the tangent line at  $(1,1)$ .
3. Use a linear approximation to estimate  $\arctan\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)$  by considering the tangent line to  $y = \arctan x$  at  $x = 1$ . Approximate to 3 significant digits.
4. A spherical balloon is filling with water at a rate of  $\pi \text{ cm}^3/\text{sec}$ . How fast is the surface area increasing when the radius is 2 cm? Useful formulas might include  $V = \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3$  and  $A = 4\pi r^2$ .
5. Show there are no values of  $x$  in the interval  $(-1,1)$  that satisfy the conclusion of the mean value theorem for  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ . Why does this not contradict the theorem?
6. If a resistor of  $r$  ohms is connected across a battery of  $V$  volts with internal resistance  $R$  ohms, then the power in watts in the external resistor is  $P(r) = \frac{V^2 r}{(r + R)^2}$ . If  $V$  and  $R$  are constant by  $r$  varies, what is the maximum value of the power?
7. Consider the equation  $\sin 3x = 1 - x^3$

- a. Use the intermediate value theorem to prove that this equation has a solution in  $\left[0, \frac{\pi}{3}\right]$
- b. Use Newton's method to find the next estimate to the solution starting from  $x_1 = \frac{\pi}{6}$ .

8. Find the antiderivative of  $f(x) = \frac{8}{x^2}$  which has  $y = x$  as a tangent line.