

Math 111.01 Summer 2003  
Assignment #3 Solutions

1. Seriously, you should rework all of the problems on Prelim #1, paying special attention to those that you got incorrect.

2. Practice problems.

Solutions may be found in the back of the text, or in the *Student Solutions Manual*.

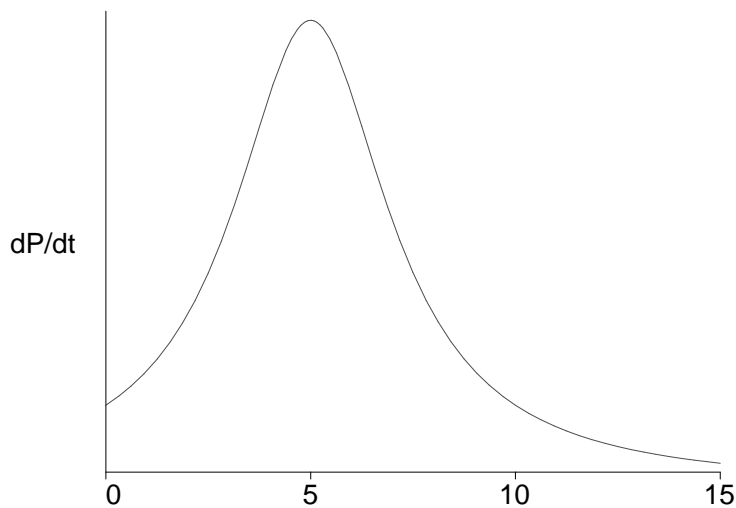
3. Practice computing derivatives.

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4. Problems to hand in.

**Section 2.8**

- #12.
- $P'(0) \approx 0$  since  $P(t)$  appears to have a horizontal tangent line at 0.
  - $P'(t)$  seems to increase to 1 (approximately) at  $t = 5$ .
  - $P'(t)$  decrease slowly from  $t = 5$  to  $t = 10$  and continues to decrease for  $t \geq 10$ .
  - $P'(t)$  is always positive. Since  $P(t)$  “flattens” near  $t = 15$ , we have  $P'(t)$  approaches 0 as  $t$  increases.



As  $t$  increases, we see that the rate of change of the yeast population approaches 0. That is, the yeast population stabilizes, and remains constant. (Just because  $P'$  approaches 0, does NOT mean that  $P$  approaches 0.)

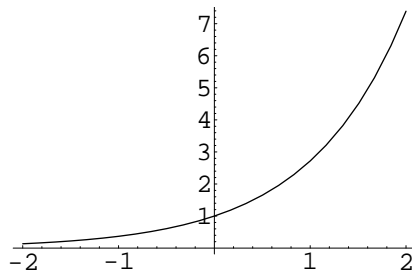
- #32. a. Recall that a function  $f(x)$  is continuous at  $x = a$  if  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = f(a)$ . So  $f(x)$  is discontinuous at  $x = -2$ : we have  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} f(x)$  exists; however,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} f(x) \neq f(-2)$ .  $x = 0$  (the limit doesn't even exist) and  $x = 5$  for the same reason. It's continuous at all other points in its domain.
- b. By Theorem 4, pg. 163, we know that if  $f(x)$  is not continuous at  $x = a$ , then it is not differentiable there either. Immediately, we know  $f$  is **not** differentiable at  $x = -2, 1, 5$ . Moreover, at  $x = 2$ , we can see there is no well-defined best line approximation (tangent line) to the graph: the graph is “pointy” (or “has a cusp”) at  $(2, g(2))$ . So  $g$  is not differentiable at  $x = -2, 0, 2, 5$  and it is differentiable at all other points in its domain.

- #46. Where is  $f(x) = \lceil x \rceil$  (the greatest integer function) not differentiable? A glance at the graph of  $f(x)$  (see pg. 116) reveals that  $f(x)$  is not even continuous at **any integer value**  $a$ . Recall that if a function is differentiable at a point  $d$ , then it must be continuous at  $d$  (see Theorem 4, pg. 163).

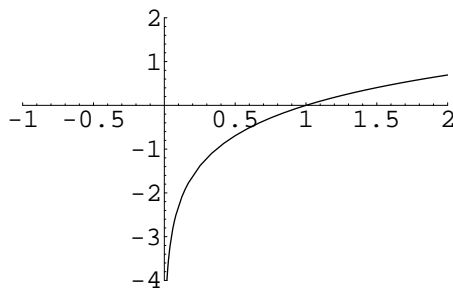
But for all non-integer values of  $x$ , it's clear that a best line approximation (a tangent line) exists at  $(x, f(x))$  and that this tangent line is a horizontal line. Thus,  $f'(x) = 0$ , for all  $x$  not an integer, while  $f'(x)$  doesn't exist if  $x$  is an integer.

### Section 2.10

- #4. a. Here is one example of a curve whose slope is always positive and increasing.

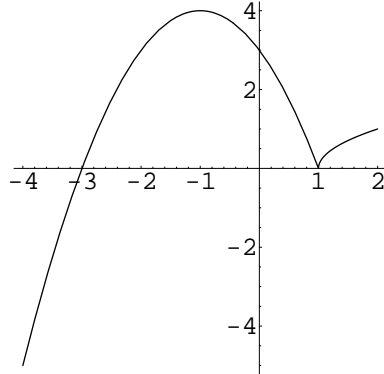


- b. Here is one example of a curve whose slope is always positive and decreasing.



- c. Here is one possibility for such a pair:  $y = e^x$  has positive and increasing slope;  $y = \ln(x)$  has positive and decreasing slope.

#18. Notice that  $f$  is always concave down for  $x \neq 1$  since  $f'' < 0$ . Also, in the interval  $(-\infty, -1)$  the slope is positive, in  $(-1, 1)$  the slope is negative, and in  $(1, \infty)$  the slope is positive again. Since  $f'(-1) = 0$ ,  $f$  has a horizontal tangent at  $-1$ . We have a cusp at  $x = 1$  since  $f'(1)$  does not exist.



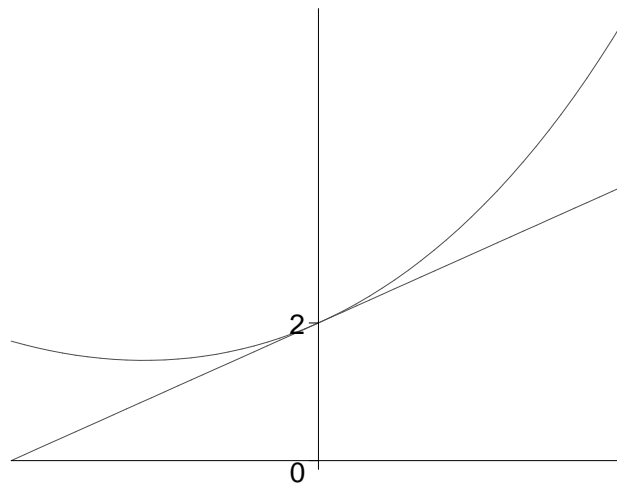
#22.  $f'(x) = e^{-x^2}$  is always positive since  $e^{-x^2} = \frac{1}{e^{x^2}} > 0$ . Therefore,  $f$  is always increasing.

**Section 3.1**

#8.  $y = 5e^x + 3 \Rightarrow y' = 5e^x$

#20.  $y = ae^v + bv^{-1} + cv^{-2} \Rightarrow y' = ae^v - bv^{-2} - 2cv^{-3} = ae^v - \frac{b}{v^2} - \frac{2c}{v^3}$

#34.  $y' = 2x + 2e^x$ . Therefore  $y'(0) = 2$  and so the equation of the tangent line at  $(0, 2)$  is  $y = 2x + 2$ .

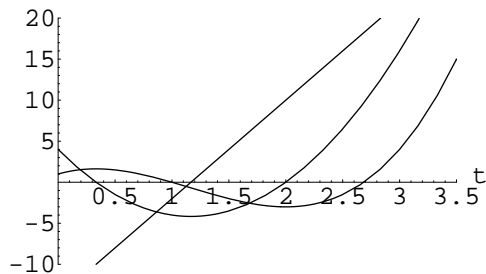


#42.  $s = 2t^3 - 7t^2 + 4t + 1$

a.  $v(t) = s'(t) = 6t^2 - 14t + 4$

$a(t) = v'(t) = s''(t) = 12t - 14$

- b.  $a(1) = 12 - 14 = -2 \text{ m/s}^2$   
 c. Below is a plot of  $s(t)$ ,  $v(t)$ , and  $a(t)$ .



#46.  $f$  has a horizontal tangent when  $f'(x) = 0$ . Since  $f'(x) = 6x^2 - 6x - 6$ , setting it equal to zero gives  $6(x^2 - x - 1) = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$  by the quadratic formula.

### Section 3.2

#4.  $g'(x) = \sqrt{x}e^x + e^x(\frac{1}{2}x^{-\frac{1}{2}}) = \sqrt{x}e^x + \frac{e^x}{2\sqrt{x}}$

#10.  $H'(t) = e^t(6t + 20t^3) + e^t(1 + 3t^2 + 5t^4)$

#28. a.  $(f + g)'(3) = f'(3) + g'(3) = -6 + 5 = -1$

b.  $(fg)'(3) = f(3)g'(3) + g(3)f'(3) = (4)(5) + (2)(-6) = 8$

c.  $\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)'(3) = \frac{g(3)f'(3) - f(3)g'(3)}{[g(3)]^2} = \frac{(2)(-6) - (4)(5)}{4} = -8$

d.  $\left(\frac{f}{f-g}\right)'(3) = \frac{[f(3) - g(3)]f'(3) - f(3)[f'(3) - g'(3)]}{[f(3) - g(3)]^2} = \frac{(4-2)(-6) - 4(-6-5)}{(4-2)^2} = 8$

#36.  $f(x) = x^2e^x$  is concave down when  $f'' < 0$ .

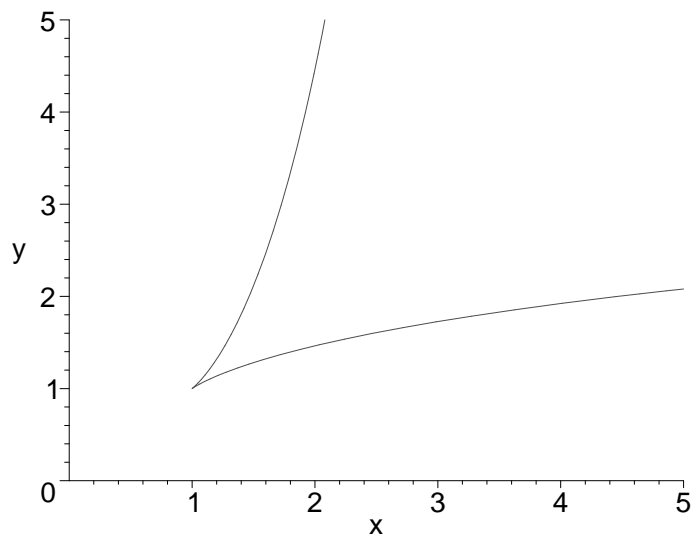
$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= x^2e^x + 2xe^x \\ f''(x) &= (x^2e^x + 2xe^x) + (2xe^x + 2e^x) \quad (\text{product rule again}) \\ &\Rightarrow x^2e^x + 4xe^x + 2e^x = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow e^x(x^2 + 4x + 2) = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow x^2 + 4x + 2 = 0 \quad \text{since } e^x > 0 \text{ for all } x \\ &\Rightarrow x = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{8}}{2} = -2 \pm \sqrt{2} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $f'' < 0$  when  $x$  is in the interval  $(-2 - \sqrt{2}, -2 + \sqrt{2})$ .

### Section 1.7

#4.  $x = e^{-t} + t$  and  $y = e^t - t$  for  $-2 \leq t \leq 2$ . We cannot eliminate the parameter easily to solve for  $y$  in terms of  $x$ . However, if we plot points we can get an idea of what this curve looks like.

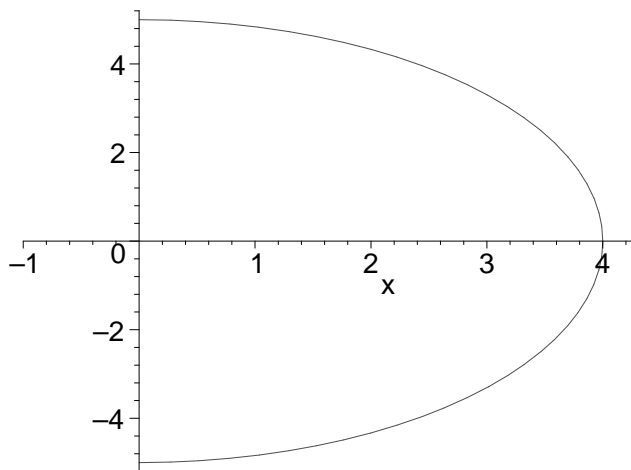
$t =$	-2	-1	0	1	2
$x \approx$	5.4	1.7	1	1.4	2.1
$y \approx$	2.1	1.4	1	1.7	5.4



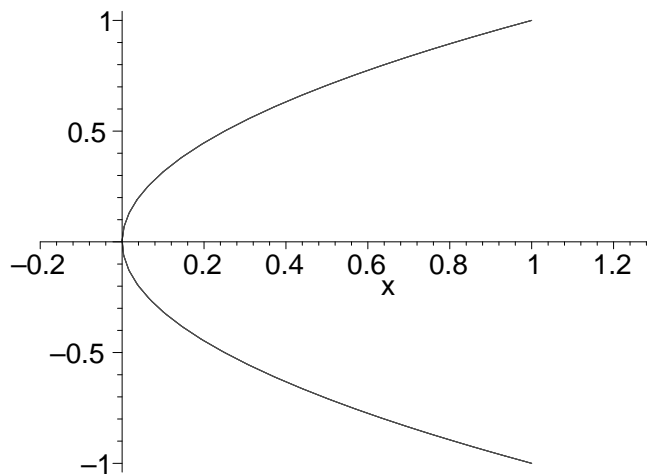
- #10.** a. If  $x = 4 \cos \theta$  and  $y = 5 \sin \theta$  for  $-\pi/2 \leq \theta \leq \pi/2$ , then  $\cos \theta = x/4$  and  $\sin \theta = y/5$ . Squaring both  $\sin \theta$  and  $\cos \theta$ , and adding them, gives

$$1 = (\cos \theta)^2 + (\sin \theta)^2 = \left(\frac{x}{4}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{y}{5}\right)^2.$$

- b. This is the equation of a (half)-ellipse. The parametric curve starts at  $(0, -5)$  and traverses the ellipse through  $(4, 0)$  to  $(0, 5)$ .



- #18. If  $x = \cos^2 t$  and  $y = \cos t$  for  $0 \leq t \leq 4\pi$ , then  $x = y^2$  for  $0 \leq x \leq 1$  and  $-1 \leq y \leq 1$ . Thus, this describes a parabola starting at  $(1, 1)$ , going through the origin to  $(1, -1)$ , going back through the origin to  $(1, 1)$ , going through the origin again to  $(1, -1)$ , and finally going through the origin and ending at  $(1, 1)$ .



### Section 3.4

- #8. If  $y = \frac{\sin x}{1 + \cos x}$ , then

$$y' = \frac{(1 + \cos x) \cos x - \sin x(-\sin x)}{(1 + \cos x)^2} = \frac{\cos x + \cos^2 x + \sin^2 x}{(1 + \cos x)^2} = \frac{\cos x + 1}{(1 + \cos x)^2} = \frac{1}{1 + \cos x}$$

- #14.

$$\frac{d}{dx} \sec x = \frac{d}{dx} \frac{1}{\cos x} = \frac{0 \cdot \cos x - 1 \cdot (-\sin x)}{\cos^2 x} = \frac{\sin x}{\cos^2 x} = \sec x \tan x$$

- #18. If  $f(x) = e^x \cos x$ , then  $f'(x) = e^x \cos x - e^x \sin x$ . Hence,  $f'(0) = 1$ . Thus, the equation of the tangent line is

$$y - 1 = 1(x - 0) \quad \text{or} \quad y = x + 1.$$

- #26. In order to find the points on the curve  $y = \frac{\cos x}{2 + \sin x}$  at which the tangent is horizontal, we need to find the points  $x$  at which  $y' = 0$ .

Hence,

$$y' = \frac{(2 + \sin x)(-\sin x) - \cos x \cos x}{(2 + \sin x)^2} = \frac{-2 \sin x - \sin^2 x - \cos^2 x}{(2 + \sin x)^2} = \frac{-2 \sin x - 1}{(2 + \sin x)^2}$$

Notice that  $(2 + \sin x)^2 \neq 0$  so that  $y'$  is defined for all  $x$ . Thus,  $y' = 0$  when  $-2 \sin x - 1 = 0$  or  $\sin x = -1/2$ . However, there are two "reference values" of  $x \in [0, 2\pi)$  with  $\sin x =$

$-1/2$ ; namely  $x = 7\pi/6$  and  $x = 11\pi/6$ . Of course,  $\sin$  is  $2\pi$ -periodic, so there are infinitely many values of  $x$  at which  $\sin x = -1/2$ . Thus,  $y$  has a horizontal tangent when

$$x = \frac{7\pi}{6} + 2\pi n, \quad \text{and} \quad x = \frac{11\pi}{6} + 2\pi n, \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

If  $x = \frac{7\pi}{6} + 2\pi n$ , then  $y = -1/\sqrt{3}$ , and if  $x = \frac{11\pi}{6} + 2\pi n$ , then  $y = 1/\sqrt{3}$ . Thus,  $y$  has a horizontal tangent at the points

$$\left(\frac{7\pi}{6} + 2\pi n, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right), \quad \text{and} \quad \left(\frac{11\pi}{6} + 2\pi n, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right), \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

## 5. More practice computing derivatives.

### Section 2.8

#20.

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{5 - 4(x+h) + 3(x+h)^2 - (5 - 4x + 3x^2)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{5 - 4x - 4h + 3x^2 + 6xh + 3h^2 - 5 + 4x - 3x^2}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-4h + 6xh + 3h^2}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} (-4 + 6x + 3h) \\ &= -4 + 6x \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $\mathcal{D}(f) = \mathbb{R}$  and  $\mathcal{D}(f') = \mathbb{R}$ .

#22.

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x+h) + \sqrt{x+h} - (x + \sqrt{x})}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h}{h} + \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{x+h} - \sqrt{x}}{h} \\ &= 1 + \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{x+h} - \sqrt{x}}{h} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x}} = 1 + \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{x+h-x}{h(\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x})} \\ &= 1 + \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x}} = 1 + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} = 1 + \frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2} \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $\mathcal{D}(f) = \{x \geq 0\}$  and  $\mathcal{D}(f') = \{x > 0\}$ .

#23.

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{1+2(x+h)} - \sqrt{1+2x}}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{1+2(x+h)} - \sqrt{1+2x}}{h} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{1+2(x+h)} + \sqrt{1+2x}}{\sqrt{1+2(x+h)} + \sqrt{1+2x}} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1+2x+2h-1-2x}{h(\sqrt{1+2(x+h)} + \sqrt{1+2x})} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2h}{h(\sqrt{1+2(x+h)} + \sqrt{1+2x})} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2}{\sqrt{1+2(x+h)} + \sqrt{1+2x}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{1+2x} + \sqrt{1+2x}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+2x}} \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $\mathcal{D}(f) = \{x \geq -1/2\}$  and  $\mathcal{D}(f') = \{x > -1/2\}$ .

#24.

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{3+(x+h)}{1-3(x+h)} - \frac{3+x}{1-3x}}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(3+x+h)(1-3x) - (3+x)(1-3x-3h)}{h(1-3x-3h)(1-3x)} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{3+x+h-9x-3x^2-3xh-3+9x+9h-x+3x^2+3xh}{h(1-3x-3h)(1-3x)} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h+9h}{h(1-3x-3h)(1-3x)} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{10}{(1-3x-3h)(1-3x)} \\ &= \frac{10}{(1-3x)^2} \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $\mathcal{D}(f) = \{x \neq 1/3\}$  and  $\mathcal{D}(f') = \{x \neq 1/3\}$ .

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#3.

$$y' = \frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2} - \frac{4}{3}x^{-7/3}$$

#6.

$$y' = \frac{e^x(1+x^2) - 2xe^x}{(1+x^2)^2} = \frac{e^x(x^2 - 2x + 1)}{(1+x^2)^2} = \frac{e^x(x-1)^2}{(1+x^2)^2}$$

#9.

$$y' = \frac{(1-t^2) - t(-2t)}{(1-t^2)^2} = \frac{t^2+1}{(1-t^2)^2}$$

**Section 3.4**

#4.

$$y' = \sec t \tan t + \sec^2 t$$

#9.

$$y' = \frac{(\sin x + \cos x) - x(\cos x - \sin x)}{(\sin x + \cos x)^2} = \frac{\sin x + \cos x - x \cos x + x \sin x}{(\sin x + \cos x)^2}$$

#11.

$$y' = \sec \theta \tan \theta \tan \theta + \sec \theta \sec^2 \theta = \sec \theta (\tan^2 \theta + \sec^2 \theta)$$

6.

a. To compute  $f'(0)$ , use the definition.

$$f'(0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 |\cos \frac{\pi}{2x}| - 0}{x - 0} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x |\cos \frac{\pi}{2x}|$$



Now, in order to compute this limit, we need the Squeeze Theorem. Since  $-1 \leq \cos \theta \leq 1$  for all  $\theta$ , we have  $0 \leq |\cos \theta| \leq 1$ . Thus, if  $x > 0$ , then

$$x \cdot 0 \leq x |\cos \frac{\pi}{2x}| \leq 1 \cdot x$$

However, if  $x < 0$ , then (because we have a negative number, the inequalities switch)

$$x \cdot 0 \geq x |\cos \frac{\pi}{2x}| \geq 1 \cdot x$$

Since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} 0 = 0$ , and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x = 0$ , the first inequalities give us  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x |\cos \frac{\pi}{2x}| = 0$ , while the second inequalities give us  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} x |\cos \frac{\pi}{2x}| = 0$ . Together, they tell us

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x |\cos \frac{\pi}{2x}| = 0$$

so that  $f'(0) = 0$ .

- b. To show  $f'(1/3)$  does not exist, we attempt to compute  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1/3} \frac{f(x) - f(1/3)}{x - 1/3}$ . Note that  $f(1/3) = 0$ . Thus,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1/3} \frac{f(x) - f(1/3)}{x - 1/3} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1/3} \frac{x^2 |\cos \frac{\pi}{2x}|}{x - 1/3}.$$

Attempting to plug in  $1/3$  gives the indeterminate form  $\left[\frac{0}{0}\right]$ . Since we cannot factor, we are left to use a calculator.

(i) Plot a graph of  $f(x) = x^2 |\cos \frac{\pi}{2x}|$  and zoom in on  $x = 1/3$ . The graph looks like a cusp. This leads us to suspect the derivative DNE.

(ii) Plot a graph of  $\frac{x^2 |\cos \frac{\pi}{2x}|}{x - 1/3}$  and zoom in on  $x = 1/3$ . The graph looks like a vertical line. This tells us the “tangent at  $1/3$  is vertical.” That is,  $f'(1/3)$  DNE.

(iii) Confirm this with a table of values for the above.

**7.** Currently, we do not have techniques that allow us to determine  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (\sec x)^{1/x^2}$ . However, we can approximate it with a calculator.

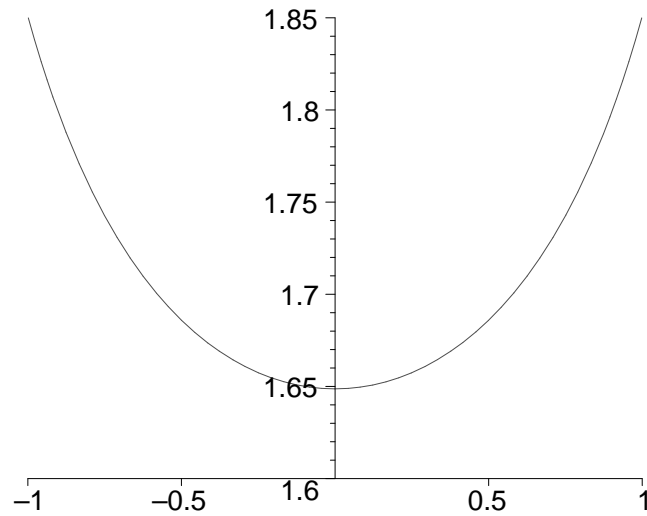
If we use a table of values on the TI-83, then we get the following

$x$	$(\sec x)^{1/x^2}$
0.0001	1.6487
-0.0001	1.6487
0.00001	1.6487
-0.00001	1.6487
0.000001	1.6482
-0.000001	1.6482
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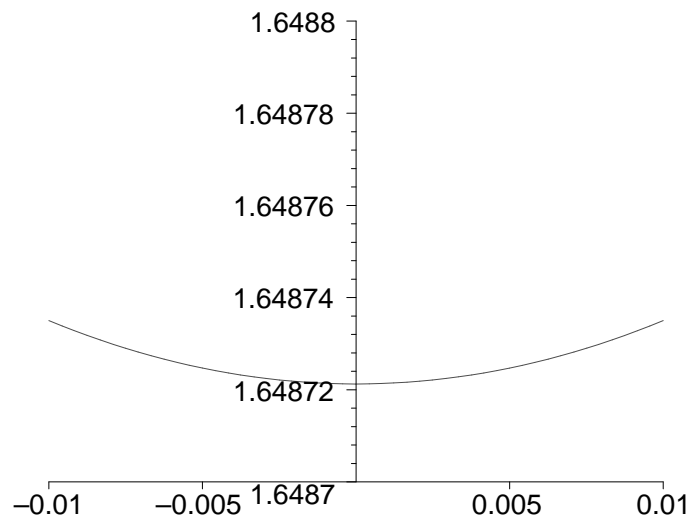
This leads us to suspect that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (\sec x)^{1/x^2} = 1.$$

If we graph  $(\sec x)^{1/x^2}$  then the graph appears to be parabolic, and going through 1.65.



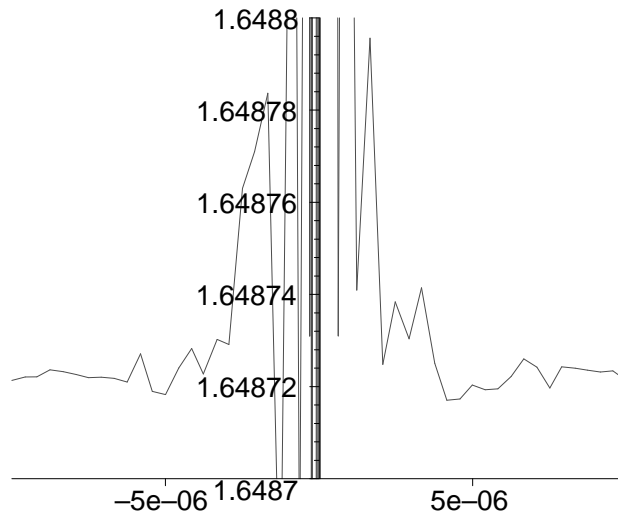
However, if we zoom in near  $x = 0$ , it appears to be nearly linear, and going through 1.64872.



Thus, graphing leads us to guess that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (\sec x)^{1/x^2} \approx 1.64872.$$

But, if we zoom in even more (using the computer software Maple), we see crazy behaviour!



This graph leads us to guess that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (\sec x)^{1/x^2} \text{ DNE.}$$

These results are in conflict! Later, we will see how to do this algebraically.