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MATH 241 – MIDTERM 02  
Fall 2022, 11/23/2022  
4:00–5:15pm

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Section: \_\_\_\_\_

**Instructions:**

- Write your last name, first name and section number above.
- Answer the eight questions on this exam.
- Show all the details of your work.
- No electronic devices are to be used during the exam (this includes calculators).
- The exam is closed book and closed notes.
- **Do not use L'Hôpital's rule anywhere on this exam.**
- You have 75 minutes to complete the exam.
- Turn in your exam when you are done or at the end of the 75-min period.

Sign below to acknowledge you have read the instructions.

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QUESTION 1 (10 pts)

If a spherical snowball melts so that its surface area decreases at a rate of  $1 \text{ cm}^2/\text{min}$ , find, using **Calculus**, the rate at which the diameter decreases when the diameter is 10 cm.

*Note: The surface area of a sphere is  $A = 4\pi r^2$ .*

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QUESTION 2

(10 pts)

Let  $f(x) = \sqrt{4+x}$ .

(a) (5 points) Find the linearization of the function  $f$  at the point  $a = 0$ .

(b) (5 points) Using the linearization, estimate the value of  $\sqrt{4.1}$ . Explain clearly how you obtained your answer and leave it in decimal form.

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QUESTION 3

(22 pts)

Let  $f(x) = \frac{3x^2 - 3}{x^2 + 3}$ .

- (a) (4 points) Using **Calculus**, find the vertical asymptotes (if any) and horizontal asymptotes (if any) of the function  $f(x)$ .

- (b) (4 points) The first derivative of  $f$  is  $f'(x) = \frac{24x}{(x^2+3)^2}$ . Find the critical numbers (if any) and the open interval(s) of increase and decrease.

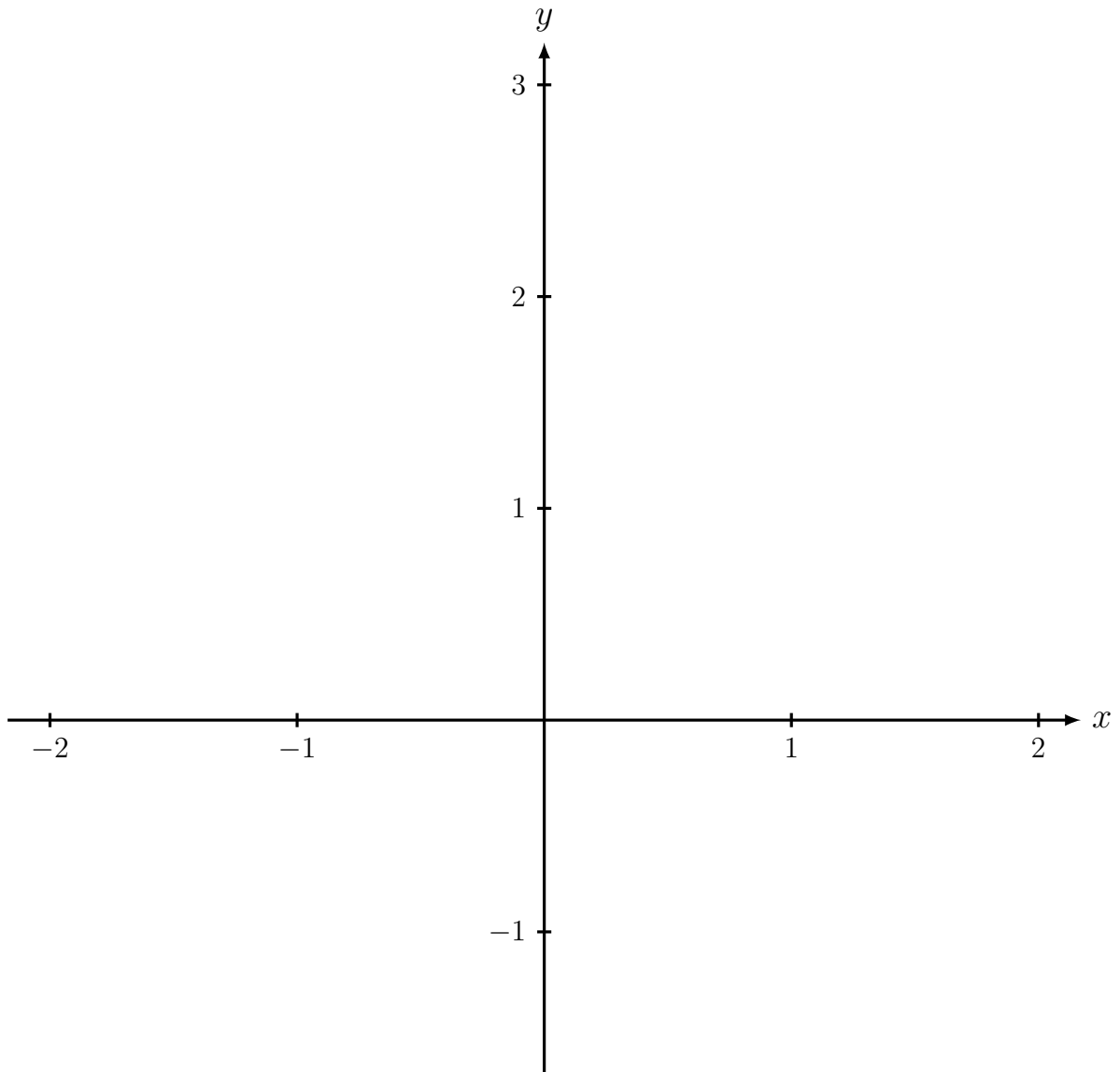
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- (c) (6 points) The second derivative of  $f$  is  $f''(x) = \frac{-72(x^2-1)}{(x^2+3)^3}$ . Find the  $x$ -coordinate of the inflection points (if any) and the open interval(s) of concavity.

- (d) (4 points) Using one of the derivative tests, find the local maximum(s) and/or local minimum(s) of the function.

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- (e) (4 points) Sketch the graph of the function  $f$  in the axes below. Note that the  $y$ -intercept is  $-1$  and the  $x$ -intercepts are  $x = -1$  and  $x = 1$ .



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QUESTION 4 (10 pts)

Compute the following limits. If the limit does not exist, write explicitly DNE. Make sure to write all the details of your calculations.

(a) (5 points)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3x - 2}{2x + 1}$ .

(b) (5 points)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{\sqrt{2x^2 + 1}}{3x - 5}$ .

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QUESTION 5 (15 pts)

A box with an open top is to be constructed from a square piece of cardboard of side length 3 ft by cutting out a square from each of the four corners and bending up the sides. **Using calculus**, find the largest volume that such a box can have. Make sure to justify clearly your answer.



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QUESTION 6

(15 pts)

Find the most general antiderivative of the following functions.

(a) (5 points)  $f(x) = 4\sqrt{x} - 6x^2 + 3$ .

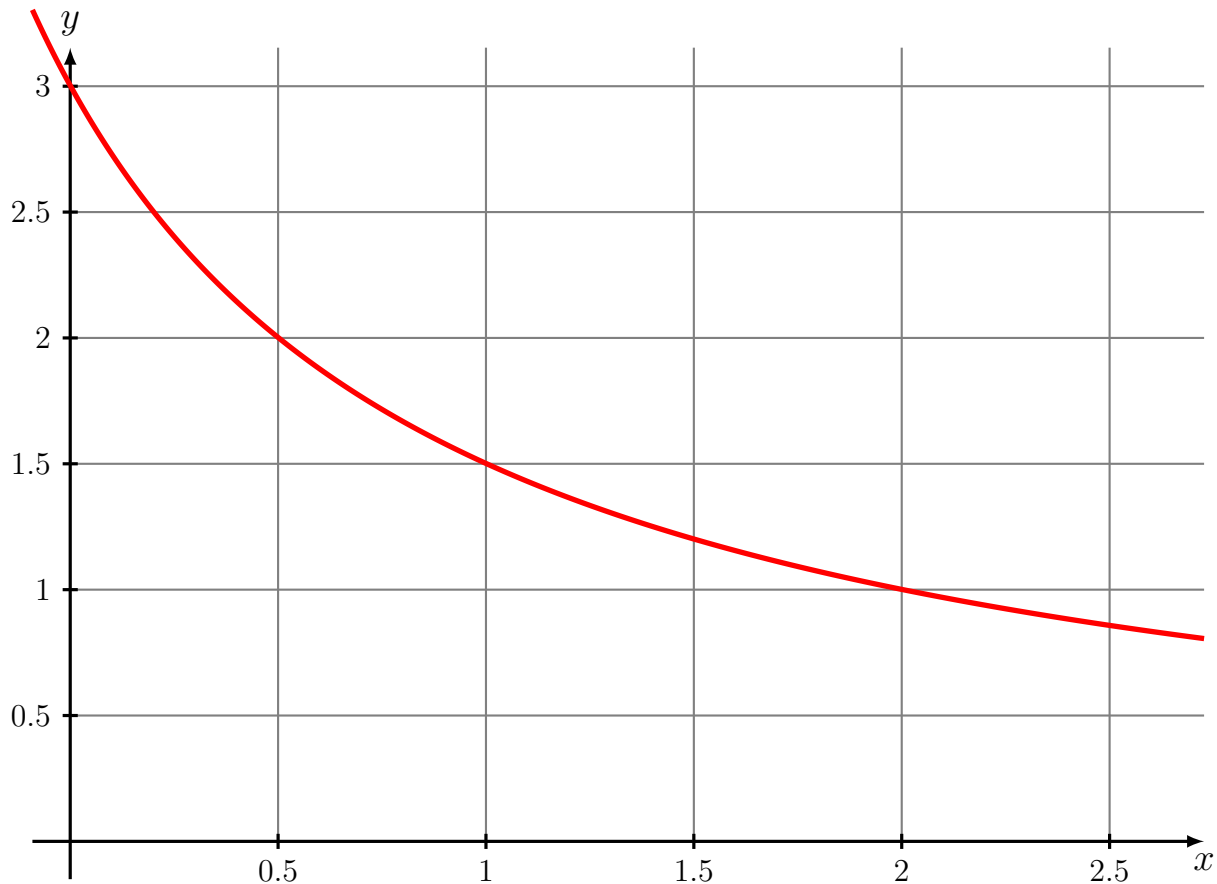
(b) (5 points)  $f(x) = \cos(x) + 2\sec^2(x)$ .

(c) (5 points)  $f(x) = x\sqrt{x} + \frac{x^2 + x}{x}$ .

## QUESTION 7

(8 pts)

The graph of the function  $f(x) = \frac{3}{1+x}$  is given below.



- (a) (4 points) Estimate the area under the curve from  $a = 0$  to  $b = 2$  using two rectangles and right endpoints.
- (b) (2 points) Draw the two rectangles from part (a) on the above picture of the graph of  $f(x)$ .
- (c) (2 points) Is your answer over or under approximating the actual value of the area under the curve?

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QUESTION 8

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(10 pts)

Below is the recordings of the speed of a Kangaroo in Australia.

Time (s)	0	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40
Speed (ft/s)	6	3	2	3	4	7	5	1	4

- (a) (5 points) Using only the recordings at every 10 seconds, estimate the distance travelled after 40 seconds.

- (b) (5 points) Does your estimate get better if you use instead the recordings at every 5 seconds?

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Question:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Points:	10	10	22	10	15	15	8	10	100
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