

1. Recall the method for finding absolute extrema in a **closed** interval. Use the method for finding the absolute maximum and the absolute minimum of $f(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 9x + 2$ in the closed interval $[-1, 4]$.

2. (a) Use the Intermediate Value Theorem to show that the equation $2x - 1 - \sin x = 0$ has at least one real root. Briefly explain.
- (b) Use Rolle's Theorem to show that the equation $2x - 1 - \sin x = 0$ has at most one real root. Briefly explain.
- (c) What can you conclude from the previous two parts about the number of real solutions of the equation $2x - 1 - \sin x = 0$?

3. Use the sign table of the first derivative to find the intervals where the function $f(x) = x^4 + 8x^3 + 200$ is increasing or decreasing and all its local maximum and local minimum values.
4. Make a rough sketch of the graph of $f(x) = 1 + \sin x$ in the interval $[0, \frac{3\pi}{2}]$. Then find the area of the region under the curve $y = f(x)$ between $x = 0$ and $x = \frac{3\pi}{2}$.

5. This problem will guide you through the steps needed to plot by hand the graph of the function $f(x) = e^{2x} - e^x$. Please, follow instructions precisely and show your full work.

(a) Find the domain $\text{Dom}(f)$.

(b) Find the x - and the y - intercepts of $y = f(x)$.

(c) Compute

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) =$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} f(x) =$$

(d) Compute $f'(x)$ and find the critical points.

(e) Compute $f''(x)$ and find the critical points.

- (f) Using the previous two parts make a sign table for f' and f'' and draw conclusions about the monotonicity and the concavity of f together with its local extrema and its inflection points. Show all pertinent information in the last line of your table (referring to f).

- (g) Use your table and all previously gathered information to roughly plot the graph of $y = f(x)$. You **MUST** label your axes at the points of interest.