

MATH 203 Self-Assessment ■ Duration: 1Hr 30Mins
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Instruction For questions 1 – 6 only, choose one out of the provided options as answer.

1. Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{\sqrt{2x+1} - 3}{x^2 - 16}$.

- a. 0
b. ∞

- c. $\frac{1}{48}$
d. $\frac{1}{24}$

2. Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x(x^2 + 4)^2}{(3x + 4)(2x^2 + 1)^2}$.

- a. ∞
b. $\frac{1}{6}$

- c. $-\frac{1}{6}$
d. Does not exist

3. Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - e^{-x} - 2x}{x - \sin x}$.

- a. 2
b. 0

- c. ∞
d. 1

4. Find the derivative of $y = \left(2x + \frac{1}{x}\right) \ln(2x) + \sec x$.

- a. $y' = \left(2 - \frac{1}{x^2}\right) \ln(2x) + \frac{1}{x} \left(2x + \frac{1}{x}\right) + \sec x \tan x$
b. $y' = \left(2 - \frac{1}{x^2}\right) 2x + \frac{2}{x} \left(2x + \frac{1}{x}\right) + \csc x$
c. $y' = \left(2 + \frac{1}{x^2}\right) \ln(2x) + \frac{2}{x} \left(2x + \frac{1}{x}\right) + \tan x$
d. $y' = \left(2 - \frac{1}{x^2}\right) \ln(2x) + \left(2x + \frac{1}{x}\right)$

5. Find the derivative of $y = \arcsin^2 x$.

- a. $y' = 2 \left(\frac{1-x^2}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}\right) \arcsin x$
b. $y' = \left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}\right) \arcsin x$
c. $y' = \frac{1-x^2}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$
d. $y' = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$

6. Find the derivative of $y = \frac{\arcsin^2 x}{1-x^2}$.

a. $y' = \frac{2\left(\frac{1-x^2}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}\right)\arcsin x - 2x \arcsin^2 x}{(1-x^2)^2}$

b. $y' = \frac{\left(\frac{1-x^2}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}\right)\arcsin x + x \arcsin^2 x}{(1-x^2)^2}$

c. $y' = \frac{2\left(\frac{1-x^2}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}\right)\arcsin x + 2x \arcsin^2 x}{(1-x^2)^2}$

d. $y' = \frac{2\left(\frac{1-x^2}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}\right)\arcsin x - 2x \arcsin^2 x}{(1-x^2)}$

7. Given the following functions.

$$f(x) = 2 + \frac{1}{x} \quad \text{and} \quad g(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^3}}$$

- Find $f \circ g(x)$ and its domain.
- Find $g \circ f(x)$ and its domain.
- Find the inverse of $f(x)$. Determine its domain and range.

8. Find a and b such that the function $f(x)$ is continuous at every point.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -\frac{4}{x^2}, & x \leq -2 \\ ax - b, & -2 < x \leq 0 \\ x^2 - 2, & x > 0 \end{cases}$$

9. Use the definition of derivation to find the derivative of $f(x) = \sqrt{x+1}$.

Hint $f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$.

10. Let $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 4}{2x}$.

- Find all asymptotes of $f(x)$.
- Find the intervals where $f(x)$ is increasing and where it is decreasing. Also, find the critical points (if any).
- Find the intervals where $f(x)$ is concave upward and where it is concave downward. Also, find the inflection points (if any).

11. Sketch the graph of the function $f(x) = |2x - 4| + 1$.

Hint start from the graph of $f(x) = |x|$ and use appropriate transformations.

NOTE [REFERENCES]:

Some questions in this document have been selected from final exams and midterms at Concordia University.

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ANSWER KEY:

1. d.

3. a.

5. b.

2. b.

4. a.

6. c

7.

a.	$f \circ g(x) = 2 + \sqrt{x^3}$; domain = $(0, \infty)$
b.	$g \circ f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2 + (\frac{1}{x})^3}}$; domain = $(-\infty, -\frac{1}{2}) \cup (0, \infty)$
c.	$f^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{x-2}$; domain = $\mathbb{R} - \{2\}$; range = $\mathbb{R} - \{0\}$

8. $a = -1$ and $b = 2$

9. $f'(x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x+1}}$

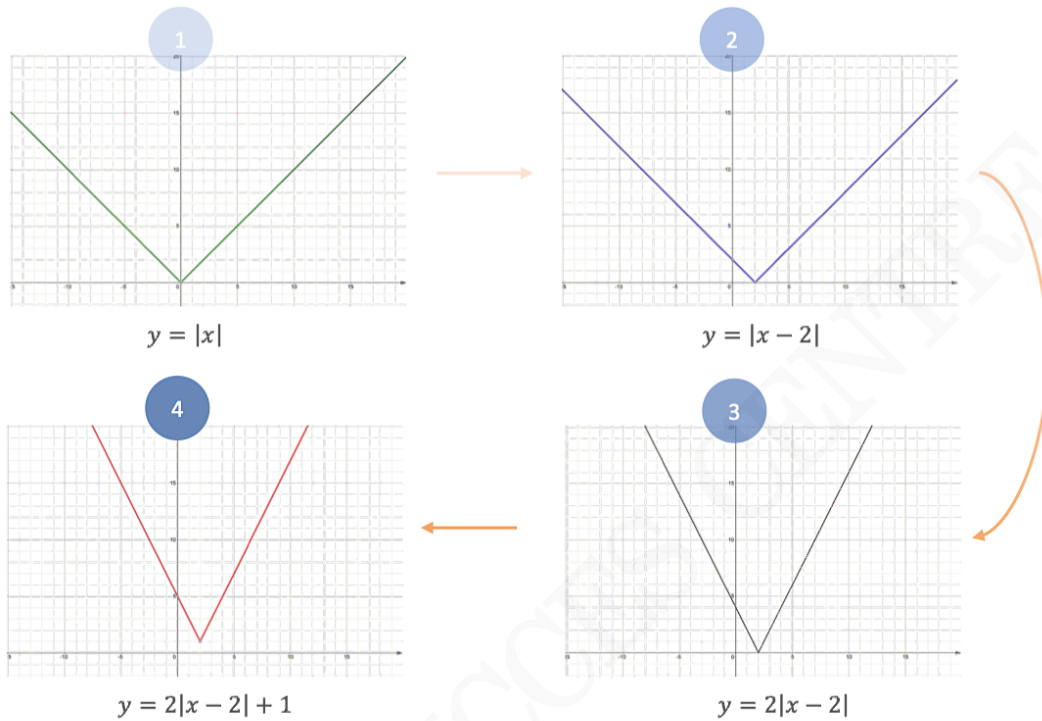
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a.	Horizontal Asymptote: none Vertical Asymptote: $x = 0$
b.	increasing: $(-\infty, \infty)$; decreasing: <i>never</i> critical points: <i>none</i>
c.	concave up: $(-\infty, 0)$; concave down: $(0, \infty)$ inflection points: <i>none (since $x = 0$ is not part of the domain)</i>

11. Please find the answer on the next page.

$$y = |2x - 4| + 1 \quad \text{is equivalent to} \quad y = 2|x - 2| + 1$$

Thus, the following sequence of transformations:



- 1 Start with a basic function. Pick some reference points, for example $(0, 0)$.
- 2 Perform a horizontal shift to the right by 2 units.
- 3 Stretch (scale on the y -axis) by a factor of 2. Notice the y -intercept has changed from 2 to 4.
- 4 Perform a vertical shift upwards by 1 unit.