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Problem 1. Find the intervals on which $f(x) = x^3 - x + 1$ is increasing or decreasing.

$$f'(x) = 3x^2 - 1 = 0 \quad \text{dom } (-\infty, \infty)$$

Solution:

$$\sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} = 0.5773502692$$

$$3x^2 = 1$$

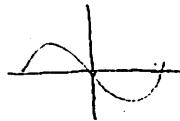
$$\text{crit. } x = \pm\sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$(-\infty, -\sqrt{\frac{1}{3}})$	I
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$$f'(-1) = 3(-1)^2 - 1 = 2 \quad f'(1) = 3(1)^2 - 1 = 2$$

$$f'(\frac{1}{2}) = 3(\frac{1}{2})^2 - 1 = \frac{3}{4} - 1 = -\frac{1}{4}$$

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Problem 2. Find the intervals on which the function $f(x)$ from Problem 1 is concave up or down.

Solution: $f''(x) = 6x$

	$x = 0$
	concave
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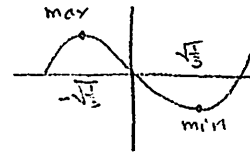
$$f''(-1) = 6(-1) = -6$$

$$f''(1) = 6(1) = 6$$

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Problem 3. Find the local maximum and minimum values of the function $f(x)$ from Problem 1. critical # = $\pm\sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}$

Solution: $f(x) = x^3 - x + 1$



$$f\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right) = \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^3 - \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right) + 1$$

$$= -0.1924500897 + 0.577350269 + 1$$

$$= 1.384900179$$

$$\approx 1.38$$

$$f\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right) = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^3 - \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right) + 1$$

$$= 0.6150998205$$

$$\approx 0.62$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{local max.} &= 1.38 \\ \text{local min} &= 0.62 \end{aligned}$$

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Problem 4. Find the limit: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - 1}{\sin x}$. DS' $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^0 - 1}{\sin 0} = \frac{0}{0}$

Solution: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - 1}{\sin x} \stackrel{L'H}{=} \frac{e^x}{\cos x}$
 $\stackrel{DS}{=} \frac{1}{1}$

$$= 1$$

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Problem 5. Find the limit: $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x^{\frac{1}{x}}$. DS' $\infty^{\frac{1}{\infty}} = \infty^0$

Solution: $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{x} \ln x$

rewrite: $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln x}{x} \stackrel{L'H}{=} \frac{1/x}{1} \stackrel{DS}{=} \frac{1}{\infty} = 0 =$

$$e^0 = 1$$

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