

QUEENS COLLEGE
DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS

Final Examination
2 ½ Hours

Mathematics 131

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Instructions: Answer all questions. Show all work.

1. Given $f(x) = \frac{2}{x}$.
 - a) Use the definition of the derivative to find $f'(x)$.
 - b) Find an equation of the line tangent to the graph of $f(x)$ at the point where $x = 1$.

2. Evaluate each limit, allowing $\pm\infty$ and DNE as answers.
 - a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^2 + 4x - 5}{x^2 - 1}$
 - b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 36} \frac{6 - \sqrt{x}}{36 - x}$
 - c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{2x^5 - 3x}{4x^3 + 11}$
 - d) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x)$, where $f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x + 10 & x < 0 \\ x^2 + 3x + 1 & x \geq 0 \end{cases}$

3. Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ for each of the following. (You do not need to simplify.)
 - a) $y = \frac{e^x \sqrt{x^2 - 2x}}{(5 - x)^7}$
 - b) $y = 10e^{x^2} \ln x$
 - c) $y = \ln(x^5) + \sqrt[3]{x^2} - \frac{1}{x^3} + x^e + 5x^{11} - \pi$
 - d) $y = \frac{5 - x^4}{2x + 3x^2}$
 - e) $y^3 + 7x^2y = 6x - y + 10$

4.
 - a) \$4,200 is invested into a (clearly fictional) bank that pays an annual interest rate of 7.1%, compounded continuously. How long will it take for the value of the investment to triple?
 - b) How much money should be invested at an annual interest rate of 2% compounded monthly so that it will be worth \$1000 in six years?

5. Given $f(x) = x^3 + 3x^2 - 7$.
 - a) Use the Intermediate Value Theorem to show that $f(x)$ has a zero on the interval $-1 \leq x \leq 2$.
 - b) Find and classify the absolute extrema of $f(x)$ on the interval $-1 \leq x \leq 2$.

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6. Let $f(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 5$. Use calculus to find
- (i) the intervals of increase and intervals of decrease of f .
 - (ii) the coordinates of all relative maxima and relative minima of f .
 - (iii) the intervals of upward and downward concavity of f and the coordinates of any inflection point(s).
- b) Using the results from part (a), sketch and label the graph of f .
7. Suppose a manufacturer's cost to produce x snowboards is given by the cost function C , where $C(x) = 0.2x^2 + 10x + 1900$ dollars.
- Use marginal analysis to estimate the cost of producing the 501st snowboard.
 - Find the actual cost of producing the 501st snowboard.
 - If 500 snowboards are produced, find the average cost per unit.
8. Each month, the quantity demanded for a manufacturer's product is related to the price per unit. The equation $p(x) = -0.004x + 11$, where p denotes the unit price and x is the number of units demanded, relates the demand to price. The total monthly cost (in dollars) for producing x units is given by $C(x) = 500 + 2x - 0.001x^2$.
- Find equations for the manufacturer's monthly revenue and monthly profit. Then use calculus to determine how many units should be produced each month to maximize profit.
9. A stone dropped in a lake sends out a circular ripple whose radius increases at a constant rate of 3 ft/sec. When the radius is 15 feet, at what rate is the area of the circle enclosed by the ripple increasing?

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