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Math 131

Exam 2

November 10, 2016  
7:00-9:00 p.m.

### Instructions

- **Turn off all cell phones and watch alarms!** Put away iPods, etc.
- There are ten (10) questions.
- Do all work in this exam booklet. You may continue work to the backs of pages and the blank page at the end, but if you do so indicate where.
- Do **not** use a calculator, reference materials, or paper other than a booklet.
- Organize your work in an unambiguous order. Show all necessary steps.
- **Answers given without supporting work may receive 0 credit!**
- Be ready to show your UMass ID card when you hand in your exam booklet.

| QUESTION | PER CENT | SCORE |
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| 1        | 10       |       |
| 2        | 10       |       |
| 3        | 10       |       |
| 4        | 10       |       |
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| 6        | 10       |       |
| 7        | 10       |       |
| 8        | 10       |       |
| 9        | 10       |       |
| 10       | 10       |       |
| TOTAL    | 100      |       |

#1. Find the derivatives of the following functions. You do **NOT** need to simplify your answers.

(a) (3 points)  $f(x) = 4x^3 - 5x^{-2}$

(b) (3 points)  $g(x) = xe^x + \pi$

(c) (4 points)  $h(x) = \frac{4x^3 - 5x^{-2}}{xe^x + \pi}$

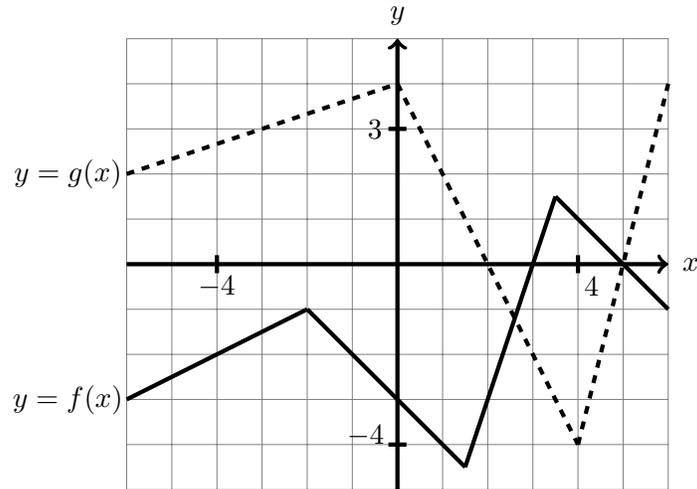
#2. For all parts of this question, let  $f(x) = \frac{x+1}{x^2+3}$ .

(a) Find the derivative  $f'(x)$ .

(b) Find all the critical numbers of the function  $f(x)$ .

(c) Find the absolute maximum and absolute minimum values of  $f(x)$  on  $[-1, 4]$ .

#3. For all parts of this problem, let  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  be the functions whose graphs  $y = f(x)$  and  $y = g(x)$  are shown below, with solid and dashed lines, respectively.



(a) (4 points) Let  $u(x) = f(x)g(x)$ . Find  $u'(1)$ .

(b) (3 points) Let  $v(x) = f(g(x))$ . Find  $v'(1)$ .

(c) (3 points) Let  $w(x) = f(f(x))$ . Find  $w'(1)$ .

#4. Strontium-90 has a half-life of 28 days. A sample has an initial mass of 50 mg.  
(a) (6 points) Find a formula for the remaining mass  $m(t)$  (in mg) after  $t$  days.  
(*Hints:* The rate of change of the mass is proportional to the mass itself. Your answer may involve exponentials and/or logarithms.)

(b) (4 points) How long will it take for this sample to decay to 2 mg?

#5. Consider the curve given by  $y^2 - 4y = x^4 - 8x^2$ .

(a) (5 points) Find the derivative  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  (in terms of both  $x$  and  $y$ ) at any point on this curve.

(b) (5 points) Find all points  $(x, y)$  where the tangent line to this curve is horizontal.

#6. (a) (5 points) Let  $A(r)$  be the area of a disk (in  $\text{cm}^2$ ) as a function of its radius  $r$  (in cm). Find the linearization (i.e. linear approximation) of  $A(r)$  at radius 5 cm.

(b) (5 points) The radius of a circular disk is measured to be 5 cm, with a possible error in measurement up to 0.3 cm. Estimate the largest possible error in area.

#7. For all parts of this problem, let  $f(x) = (x - 3)^{-2}$ .

(a) (3 points) Find the derivative of  $f(x)$ .

(b) (4 points) Show that there is no value of  $c$  in  $(2, 4)$  such that  $f'(c)$  is equal to the average rate of change of  $f$  on  $[2, 4]$ .

(c) (3 points) Explain why part (b) does not contradict the Mean Value Theorem.

#8. The position of a pendulum (in cm) after  $t$  seconds is given by  $x(t) = 4 \cos(\pi t)$ .  
(a) (4 points) Find the velocity  $v(t)$ , and find the acceleration  $a(t)$ .

(b) (2 points) Find the velocity and acceleration at the time  $t = 0$ .

(c) (4 points) Find the acceleration  $a(t_0)$  at the time  $t = t_0$  when the pendulum first swings through the midpoint of its motion (i.e.,  $t_0$  is the smallest positive  $t$  satisfying  $x(t) = 0$ ).

#9. (10 points) A ladder of length 5 m leans against a vertical wall. If the bottom of the ladder slides away from the wall at a rate of 2 m/s, how fast (in radians per second) is the angle between the ladder and the ground changing when the ladder is 4 m from the wall?

#10. (a) (4 points) Let  $f(x) = \ln\left(\frac{x^{6/5}(7 + e^{4x})}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}}\right)$ . Find  $f'(x)$ .

(b) (3 points) Let  $g(x) = \ln(\sin(x))$ . Find  $g'(x)$ .

(c) (3 points) For the same function  $g(x)$  as in part (b), find  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (xg'(x))$ .

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