

Department of Mathematics & Statistics

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Special Instructions

▷ Calculators are **not** allowed.

MARKS

[10] 1. (a) Suppose $f(x) = \sqrt{x-1}$ and $g(x) = 1 + \left(\frac{x}{1+x^2}\right)^2$. Find $f \circ g$, $g \circ f$ and $f \circ f$.

(b) Find the inverse of the function $f(x) = \ln(1+x^3)$. Determine the domain and range of f and f^{-1} .

[10] 2. Evaluate the limits:

$$(a) \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{\sqrt{x^2+5}-3}{2x^2-8} \quad (b) \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{\sqrt{2x^2+1}}{x+1}$$

Do not use l'Hopital's rule.

[12] 3. (a) Consider the function $f(x) = \frac{|x+1|}{x^2+x}$.

Calculate both one-sided limits at the point(s) where the function is undefined.

(b) Find parameters a and b such that the function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -x^2 - 1, & \text{if } x \leq 0 \\ ax + b, & \text{if } 0 < x \leq 2 \\ \frac{2}{x}, & \text{if } x > 2 \end{cases}$$

will be continuous at every point. Sketch the graph of this function.

[12] 4. Find derivatives of the functions (do not simplify the answer):

(a) $f(x) = (x^3 + 2x + 5) \sin 2x$;

(b) $f(x) = \ln^2(1 + \cos^2 5x)$;

(c) $f(x) = \frac{\arccos^3 x}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$;

(d) $f(x) = (1+x^2)^{\arctan x}$ (use logarithmic differentiation).

[12] 5. Given the function $f(x) = \sqrt{x^2 + 24}$,

(a) Use appropriate differentiation rules to find the derivative of the function.

(b) Use the definition of derivative to verify (a).

(c) Find the linear approximation of the function at $x_0 = 1$.

(d) Use the linear approximation above to approximate $\sqrt{28}$.

[18] 6. (a) The equation of a curve defined implicitly is $y^2 \cos x = xy^5 + y + 2$.
Verify that the point $(0, -1)$ belongs to the curve. Find an equation of the
tangent line to the curve at this point.

(b) Let $f(x) = \frac{12+x^3}{2x^3}$. Find $f^{(n)}(x)$.

(c) Use l'Hopital's rule to evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin^2 x}{x \ln(1+3x)}$.

- [10] 7. (a) A particle is moving along the plane curve $y^2 - 6x^4 = y$. At the moment when $x = -1$ the x -coordinate is increasing at a rate of 5 cm/sec. If the y -coordinate is negative at this moment, is y increasing or decreasing? How fast?
- (b) A rectangle $ABCD$ has sides parallel to the coordinate axes and point A is located at the origin. A point C belongs to the graph of the exponential function $y = e^{10x}$ and has a negative x coordinate. Find the coordinates of the point C that maximize the area of the rectangle.

[16] 8. Given the function $f(x) = \frac{x^2}{x^2 - 4}$,

- (a) Find the domain and check for symmetry. Find asymptotes (if any).
- (b) Calculate $f'(x)$ and use it to determine interval(s) where the function is increasing, interval(s) where the function is decreasing, and local extrema (if any).
- (c) Calculate $f''(x)$ and use it to determine interval(s) where the function is concave upward, interval(s) where the function is concave downward and inflection point(s) (if any).
- (d) Sketch the graph of the function.

[5] **Bonus Question**

Given the equation $10x^3 + x = 10$,

- (a) Show that there is a root between $\frac{1}{2}$ and 1.
- (b) Show that the equation has exactly one root.