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The total number of points available is 131. Throughout this test, **show your work.**

1. (12 points) Let  $f(x) = \sqrt{x^2 - x + 3}$ .

(a) Compute  $f'(x)$

**Solution:**  $f'(x) = \frac{1}{2}(x^2 - x + 3)^{-1/2} \cdot 2x - 1 = \frac{2x-1}{2\sqrt{x^2-x+3}}$ .

(b) What is  $f'(3)$ ?

**Solution:**  $f'(3) = \frac{2 \cdot 3 - 1}{2 \cdot 9^{1/2}} = 5/6$

(c) Use the information in (b) to find an equation for the line tangent to the graph of  $f$  at the point  $(3, f(3))$ .

**Solution:** Since  $f(3) = 3$ , using the point-slope form leads to  $y - 3 = f'(3)(x - 3) = 5(x - 3)/6$ , so  $y = 5x/6 + 1/2$ .

2. (12 points) Consider the function  $f$  defined by:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \sqrt{x+3} & \text{if } x < 1 \\ 2 & \text{if } x = 1 \\ 2(x-2)^2 & \text{if } x > 1 \end{cases}$$

(a) Is  $f$  continuous at  $x = 1$ ? Your answer must make clear that you know and understand the definition of continuity. A yes/no correct answer is worth 1 point.

**Solution:** Yes, the limits from the left and right are both 2, and the value of  $f$  at 1 is 2, so  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x) = f(1)$ .

(b) What is the slope of the line tangent to the graph of  $f$  at the point  $(8, 72)$ ?

**Solution:** To find  $f'(8)$  first note that when  $x$  is near 8,  $f(x) = 2(x-2)^2$  so  $f'(x) = 4(x-2)$ . Thus,  $f'(8) = 4(8-2) = 24$ .

(c) Find  $f'(-2)$

**Solution:** To find  $f'(-2)$ , we must differentiate the part of  $f$  defined for  $x < 1$ . In this area,  $f(x) = (x+3)^{-1/2}/2$ , so  $f'(-2) = 1/2$ .

3. (18 points) If a ball is thrown vertically upward from the roof of 128 foot building with a velocity of 64 ft/sec, its height after  $t$  seconds is  $s(t) = 128 + 64t - 16t^2$ .

(a) What is the height the ball at time  $t = 1$ ?

**Solution:**  $s(1) = 176$ .

(b) What is the velocity of the ball at the time it reaches its maximum height?

**Solution:**  $s'(t) = v(t) = 0$  when the ball reaches its max height.

(c) What is the maximum height the ball reaches?

**Solution:** Solve  $s'(t) = 64 - 32t = 0$  to get  $t = 2$  when the ball reaches its zenith. Thus, the max height is  $s(2) = 128 + 64(2) - 16(2)^2 = 192$ .

(d) After how many seconds is the ball exactly 160 feet above the ground?

**Solution:** Use the quadratic formula to solve  $128 + 64t - 16t^2 = 160$ . You get  $t = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{16-8}}{2} = 2 \pm \sqrt{2}$ .

(e) How fast is the ball going the first time it reaches the height 160?

**Solution:** Evaluate  $s(t)$  when  $t = 2 - \sqrt{2}$  to get  $32\sqrt{2}$ .

(f) How fast is the ball going the second time it reaches the height 160? olEvaluate  $s(t)$  when  $t = 2 + \sqrt{2}$  to get  $-32\sqrt{2}$ . In other words the ball is going downward at the same rate it was moving upwards when first went through 160 feet.

4. (12 points) The cost of producing  $x$  units of stuffed alligator toys is  $C(x) = 0.004x^2 + 8x + 6000$ .

(a) Find the marginal cost at the production level of 1000 units.

**Solution:**  $C'(x) = \frac{d}{dx}0.004x^2 + 8x + 6000 = 0.008x + 8$  so  $C'(1000) = 16$ .

(b) What is the marginal average cost function?

**Solution:**  $\bar{C}(x) = 0.004x + 8 + 6000x^{-1}$ , so  $\bar{C}'(x) = 0.004 - 6000x^{-2}$ .

(c) What is  $\bar{C}'(500)$ ? Interpret your answer.

**Solution:**  $\bar{C}'(500) = -0.02$ , which means the average cost is decreasing when the production level is 500.

5. (30 points) Consider the table of values given for the functions  $f$ ,  $f'$ ,  $g$ , and  $g'$ :

$x$	$f(x)$	$f'(x)$	$g(x)$	$g'(x)$
0	2	1	6	2
1	4	6	2	5
2	6	4	3	4
3	1	2	5	3
4	3	5	2	6
5	5	3	4	1
6	0	3	2	4

- (a) Let  $L(x) = f(x)/g(x)$ . Compute  $L'(2)$ .

**Solution:** Use the quotient rule.  $L'(x) = \frac{f'(x)g(x) - g'(x)f(x)}{g(x)^2}$ , so  $L'(2) = \frac{(f'(2)g(2) - g'(2)f(2))/g(2)^2 = (4 \cdot 3 - 4 \cdot 6)/9 = -4/3$ .

- (b) Let  $U(x) = f \circ f(x)$ . Compute  $U'(1)$ .

**Solution:** By the chain rule,  $U'(x) = f'(f(x)) \cdot f'(x)$ , so  $U'(1) = f'(f(1)) \cdot f'(1) = f'(4) \cdot f'(1) = 5 \cdot 6 = 30$ .

- (c) Let  $K(x) = \sqrt{f(x)}$ . Compute  $K'(1)$ .

**Solution:**  $K'(x) = f(x)^{-1/2} / 2 \cdot f'(x)$ . So  $K'(1) = 1/2 \sqrt{f(1)} \cdot f'(1) = 6/4 = 3/2$ .

- (d) Let  $V(x) = x^2(g(2x))$ . Compute  $V'(3)$ .

**Solution:** Again, by the product rule and the chain rule,  $V'(x) = 2x(g(2x)) + x^2 g'(2x) \cdot 2$ , so  $V'(3) = 2 \cdot 3g(6) + 18g'(6) = 6 \cdot 2 + 18 \cdot 4 = 12 + 72 = 84$ .

- (e) Let  $W(x) = [g(x - f(x))]^3$ . Compute  $W'(4)$ .

**Solution:** Again by the chain rule,  $W'(x) = 3g(x - f(x))^2 \cdot g'(x - f(x)) \cdot (1 - f'(x))$ , so  $W'(4) = 3g(4 - f(4))^2 \cdot g'(4 - f(4)) \cdot (1 - f'(4)) = 3g(1) \cdot g'(1) \cdot (1 - 5) = 3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5(1 - 5) = -240$ .

- (f) Let  $Z(x) = f(x^2 + g(x))$ . Compute  $Z'(1)$ .

**Solution:** Again by the chain rule and the product rule,  $Z'(x) = f'(x^2 + g(x)) \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(x^2 + g(x)) = f'(x^2 + g(x)) \cdot (2x + g'(x))$ , so  $Z'(1) = f'(1 + g(1)) \cdot (2 \cdot 1 + g'(1)) = f'(3) \cdot (2 + 5) = 2 \cdot 7 = 14$ .

6. (15 points) Compute the following derivatives.

(a) Let  $f(x) = (x + \sqrt{1 + x^3})^4$ . Find  $\frac{d}{dx}f(x)$ .

**Solution:** We differentiate it using the power rule and chain rule:  $f'(x) = 4(x + \sqrt{1 + x^3})^3 \cdot (1 + (\frac{1}{2}(1 + x^3)^{-1/2} \cdot 3x^2))$ .

(b) Let  $g(x) = x^2/(1 + x^2)$ . What is  $g'(x)$ ?

**Solution:** Use the quotient rule to get  $g'(x) = 2x(1 + x^2) - 2x(x^2) \div (1 + x^2)^2 = \frac{2x}{(1 + x^2)^2}$ .

(c) Find  $\frac{d}{dx} \sqrt{\frac{2x^3+1}{3x-2}}$ .

**Solution:** By the chain and quotient rules,  $\frac{d}{dx} \frac{2x^3 + 1}{3x - 2} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{2x^3 + 1}{3x - 2} \right)^{-1/2} \cdot \frac{6x^2(3x - 2) - 3(2x^3 + 1)}{(3x - 2)^2}$ . This expression simplifies to one with a numerator  $12x^3 - 12x^2 - 3$ .

7. (12 points) Find all critical points of  $f(x) = ((x+2)^2 \cdot (2x-1))$ . Then identify each critical point as the location of a local maximum, local minimum, or neither.

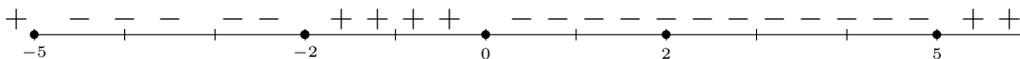
**Solution:** By the product rule,  $f'(x) = (2(x+2) \cdot (2x-1)) + 2(x+2)^2 = 2(x+2)[(2x-1)+(x+2)] = 2(x+2)(3x+1)$ , so the stationary points are  $x = -2$  and  $x = -1/3$ . Since  $f'(x)$  is negative between these two critical points, it follows that  $f$  has a local max at  $x = -2$  and a local min at  $x = -1/3$ .

8. (20 points) Suppose a function  $f$  has been differentiated to give

$$f'(x) = (x^2 - 4)(x)(3x^2 - 75)(x - 2).$$

Use the Test Interval Technique on  $f'$  to find the sign chart for  $f'$ . Then list in interval notation the intervals over which the function  $f$  is increasing.

**Solution:** Notice first that  $f'$  is not in factored form. Factoring reveals  $f'(x) = (x^2 - 4)(x)(3x^2 - 75)(x - 2) = 3(x - 2)^2(x)(x + 2)(x - 5)(x + 5)$ . Next find the branch points. These are the points at which  $f'$  is zero. They are  $-2, 2, 0, 5, -5$ . Again we select test points and find the sign of  $f'$  at of these points to get the sign chart.



So you can see from the sign chart that  $f$  is increasing on all three of the intervals  $(-\infty, -5]$ ,  $[-2, 0]$  and  $[5, \infty)$ . Of course, using ( and ) instead of [ and ] is fine.