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**Problem Sheet 4 - summative assessment**  
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**Questions**

(SUM) **Q1.** Find the derivatives of the following functions according to the definition, where they exist.

(a)  $f(x) = x^3$ .

(b)  $f(x) = \cos x$ .

Please note that only the definition of derivative can be used, and one should not assume these functions are differentiable a priori. In particular, one should not use L'Hospital's rule to evaluate the limits involved. You can use properties of limits and notable limits discussed in lectures (lecture notes).

(SUM) **Q10.** Find the derivatives of the following functions. Detailed computation is needed.

(a)  $f(x) = 2x^3 + 5x^2 - 1$ ,

(b)  $f(x) = x \ln x$ ,

(c)  $f(x) = \ln(x^2 + 1)$ ,

(d)  $f(x) = \frac{(x-1)(x-2)}{x^{\frac{1}{3}}}$ ,

(e)  $f(x) = (x \sin x)^x$ ,

(f)  $f(x) = \cos(\sin x)$ .

(SUM) **Q11.** Determine the types of the following indeterminate form  $(\frac{0}{0}, \frac{\infty}{\infty}, 0 \cdot \infty, \infty - \infty, 0^0, \infty^0, 1^\infty)$ , and use L'Hospital's rule to find their limits where applicable:

(a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}} \frac{6x^2 + 5x - 4}{4x^2 + 16x - 9}$

(b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln x}{\sqrt{x}}$

(c)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^8 - 1}{x^5 - 1}$

(d)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (1 + \sin 3x)^{1/x}$