

**Math 1712 - Spring 2012**  
**Test 1 - Show Your Work**

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**Use the rules in Chapter 1 to find all derivatives; rules like the product rule, the chain rule, the sum/difference rule, ect. DO NOT USE THE DEFINITION OF THE DERIVATIVE AS A LIMIT!**

1. (10 points) a. Find the **slope** of the line that goes thru the two points  $P(-9, 2)$  &  $Q(3, -4)$ .

$$\text{slope} = m = \frac{-4 - 2}{3 - (-9)} = -\frac{1}{2}$$

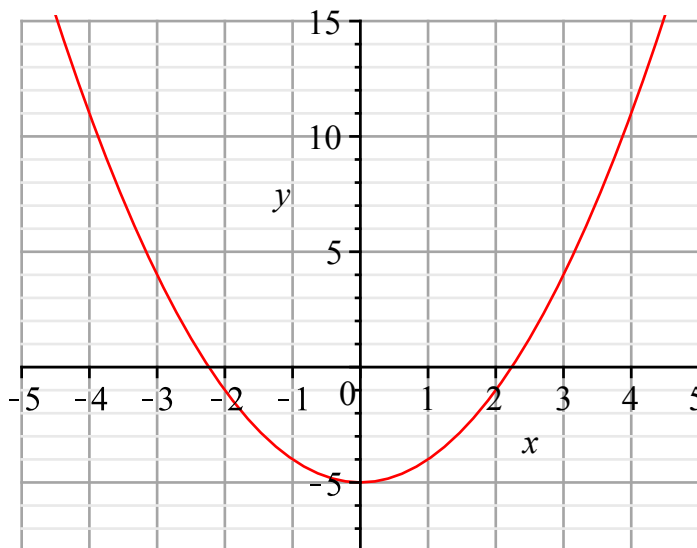
- b. Find the **equation of the line** in slope-y intercept form  $y = mx + b$  for the line with slope  $\frac{1}{4}$  that goes thru the point  $(-3, 7)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{slope} = m = \frac{1}{4} &\Rightarrow y = \frac{1}{4}x + b. \quad (-3, 7) \text{ is on the line} \Rightarrow 7 = \frac{1}{4}(-3) + b \Rightarrow b = \frac{31}{4} \\ &\Rightarrow y = \frac{1}{4}x + \frac{31}{4} \end{aligned}$$

- c. Find the equation of the line **perpendicular** to the line  $y = -\frac{1}{3}x + 4$  that goes thru the point  $(2, 5)$ .  
Put your answer in the  $y = mx + b$  form.

Since the new line is perpendicular,  $m = 3$ .  $(2, 5)$  is on the new line  $\Rightarrow 5 = 3(2) + b \Rightarrow b = -1$   
 $\Rightarrow y = 3x - 1$

2. (10 points) A function  $f(x)$  is graphed below. a. Find  $f(1)$ . b. Use the graph to find the range for  $f(x)$ . c. Put a dot on the graph for each x-intercept and for  $f(1)$ .



a.  $f(1) = -4$

b.  $\text{range} = [-5, \infty)$  or equivalent.

3. (10 points) Company XYZ has determined that the supply and demand functions for it's new product are given by:

$$\text{Supply: } y = x^2 + x + 13 \quad \text{Demand: } y = x^2 - 16x + 64$$

where  $x$  is the unit price, in dollars, and  $y$  is the number of units (in thousands). Find the **equilibrium point**; that is, find the values of  $x$  &  $y$  for which  $S = D$ . Use the correct units in your answers.

$$S = D \Rightarrow x^2 + x + 13 = x^2 - 16x + 64 \Rightarrow x + 13 = -16x + 64 \Rightarrow 17x = 51 \Rightarrow x = 3$$

$$x = 3 \Rightarrow y = 3^2 + 3 + 13 = 25 \quad \text{ANSWER: } x = \$3 \text{ \& } y = 25 \text{ thousand units}$$

4. (15 points) Let  $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 36}{x - 6}$ . Use this function to answer the following questions.

a. Fill in the  $y$  values in the following tables (use your calculator)

$x$	5.9	5.99	5.999	5.9999	$x$	6.1	6.01	6.001	6.0001
$y$	11.9	11.99	11.999	11.9999	$y$	12.1	12.01	12.001	12.0001

b. Based on your answer to a, find  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 6} \frac{x^2 - 36}{x - 6} = 12$ . Your table must justify your answer.

c. Use algebraic/analytic methods to evaluate  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 6} \frac{x^2 - 36}{x - 6}$ . Show your work.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 6} \frac{x^2 - 36}{x - 6} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 6} \frac{(x - 6)(x + 6)}{x - 6} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 6} x + 6 = 12$$

5. (10 points) Find the following limits; show your computations to justify your limit. If the limit does not exist, state DNE and explain why it DNE.

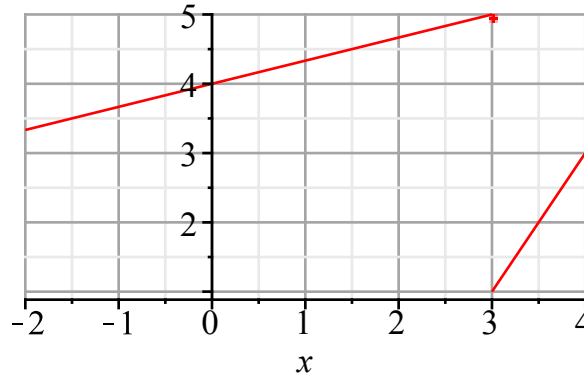
$$\text{a. } \lim_{x \rightarrow 16} \frac{x - 16}{\sqrt{x} - 4} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x} + 4}{\sqrt{x} + 4} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 16} \frac{(x - 16)(\sqrt{x} + 4)}{x - 16} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 16} \sqrt{x} + 4 = \sqrt{16} + 4 = 8$$

Rationalize.

b.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{x}$  **DNE** because if we divide 1 by a small positive number, we get a large number that increases without bound.

6. (10 points) The definition and graph of  $g(x)$  are given below:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{1}{3}x + 4 & x \leq 3 \\ 2x - 5 & 3 < x \end{cases} \quad (1)$$



Is  $g(x)$  continuous at  $x = 3$ ? **(yes or no)** a. Explain your answer using the graph. b. Then explain your answer using limits.

**NO,  $g(x)$  is not continuous at  $x = 3$**

**a. The graph shows a jump or a gap at  $x = 3$ . b.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} g(x)$  does not exist because of the gap OR  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} g(x) \neq \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} g(x)$**

7. (10 points) Find the **equation of the tangent line** to the graph of the function  $y = f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 4}{x}$ , if  $x = -4$ . Put your answer in the form  $y = mx + b$ .

$$f'(x) = \frac{2x^2 - x^2 + 4}{x^2} = \frac{x^2 + 4}{x^2} \Rightarrow \text{slope} = f'(-4) = \frac{16 + 4}{16} = \frac{5}{4}$$

$$x = -4 \Rightarrow y = \frac{16 - 4}{-4} = -3 \Rightarrow y + 3 = \frac{5}{4}(x + 4) \Rightarrow y = \frac{5}{4}x + 2 \text{ (TL)}$$

8. (10 points) Let  $g(x) = x^3 - 3x^2$ . a. Find all **values of  $x$**  at which the tangent line to  $g(x)$  is horizontal. b. Find all **values of  $x$**  at which the tangent line to  $g(x)$  has slope 9.

**a. tangent line horizontal**

$$\Rightarrow \text{slope} = 0 \Rightarrow g'(x) = 3x^2 - 6x = 0 \Rightarrow 3x(x - 2) = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0 \text{ and } x = 2$$

**ANSWER:  $x = 0$  &  $x = 2$**

**b. slope = 9**

$$\Rightarrow g'(x) = 3x^2 - 6x = 9 \Rightarrow 3(x^2 - 2x - 3) = 0 \Rightarrow 3(x - 3)(x + 1) = 0 \Rightarrow x = -1 \text{ and } x = 3$$

**ANSWER:  $x = -1$  &  $x = 3$**

9. (20 points) Find the derivatives of the following functions. Be sure to show your work.

a.  $G(x) = 8\sqrt[3]{x} = 8x^{\frac{1}{3}} \Rightarrow G'(x) = \frac{8}{3}x^{-\frac{2}{3}} = \frac{8}{3x^{\frac{2}{3}}} = \frac{8}{3\sqrt[3]{x^2}}$  any of these will do.

b.  $H(x) = \frac{-3}{x^5} = -3x^{-5} \Rightarrow H'(x) = 15x^{-6} = \frac{15}{x^6}$  any of these will do

c.  $g(x) = (5 - x^2)(3x - 1)$  **Simplify your answer.**

$$g'(x) = (-2x)(3x - 1) + (3)(5 - x^2) = -9x^2 + 2x + 15$$

d.  $h(x) = (3x^2 - 7x + 2)^3 \Rightarrow h'(x) = 3(3x^2 - 7x + 2)^2(6x - 7)$

$$h'(x) = 3(3x^2 - 7x + 2)^2(6x - 7) \text{ Or any equivalent}$$

10. (10 points)  $C(x) = 4x^2 + 100$  is the cost function for the ABC Company, where  $x$  is the number of items produced and  $C$  is in dollars. The average cost function is  $ACF(x) = \frac{C(x)}{x}$ . Find the rate at which the average cost function is changing when 3 items are produced.

**Rate of change**  $= ACF'(x) = \frac{4x^2 - 100}{x^2}$  or equivalent

**The rate at which the average cost function is changing when 3 items are produced**  
 $= ACF'(3) = -7.11$

**Answer: \$ -7.11 or decreasing (falling) at the rate of \$ 7.11**

11. (10 points) An object moves on a horizontal line so that its position (in feet) at time  $t$  (in seconds) is given by:  $s(t) = t + t^4$ . a. Find  $v(t)$  &  $a(t)$ . b. Find the velocity and acceleration of the object when  $t = 2$  seconds. You do NOT need to put in the units.

a.  $v(t) = s'(t) = 1 + 4t^3$  &  $a(t) = v'(t) = 12t^2$

b. **velocity**  $= v(2) = 1 + 4(2^3) = 33$  & **acceleration**  $= a(2) = 48$

**EXTRA CREDIT: 5 points** The population of a city is given by:  $P(t) = 50t^2 + 10000$ , where  $P$  is the population and  $t$  is in years.

Find the rate at which the population is changing after 20 years. Use the correct units in your answer.

$$P'(t) = 100t \Rightarrow P'(20) = 2000 \frac{\text{people}}{\text{year}}$$