Tufts University Department of Mathematics Class work for the Week of January 23, 2023 1

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Due date: upload to gradescope by 11:59 pm two days after this is handed out

Math 136

Every week we plan to work in small groups of about four students to learn to write proofs and to solve problems. I will grade each group's work.

- Scribe: each week, someone in the group will volunteer to submit to Gradescope the group's answer along with group member names. This role should rotate through the group.
- Respect: when discussing problems, please make sure that everyone feels comfortable speaking and that all feedback is supportive and encouraging.
- Please keep your group name so you can rejoin the same group each week.

Problem 1 The toll ticket taker notices that I took 2 hours to drive 150 miles on the Mass Pike, which has a speed limit of 70 mph. Why can they give me a ticket for going 75 mph at least once on the trip?

Problem 2 Let $f: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ be differentiable on \mathbb{R} . Assume f'(x) < 1 for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$ and f(0) = 1.

- (a) Prove that f(x) < 1 + x for all x > 0.
- (b) What can you say about f(x) for x < 0?

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