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MARKS

- [12] 1. (a) Sketch the graph of the function $f(x) = |(x+1)^2 - 3|$ starting from the graph $f(x) = x^2$ and using appropriate transformations.

- (b) Given the functions $f(x) = x^2 - 2x$ and $g(x) = \sin \sqrt{\tan(x+1)}$. Find $f \circ g$, $g \circ f$, and $g \circ g$.

- (c) Given the function $f = \frac{x+3}{2x-5}$ find the inverse function f^{-1} and determine domain and range of f and f^{-1} . $\ln(1 - e^{2x}) = y \Rightarrow e^{2x} = 1 - e^{2y} \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{2} \ln(1 - e^{2y})$

- [10] 2. Evaluate the limits. Do not use l'Hôpital's rule:

(a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{(x^2 + x)^3 (2x - 4)^2}{x^7 \sqrt{4x^2 + 2}}$

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \frac{x+2}{\sqrt{x+6} - 2}$

- ✓ [12] 3. (a) Consider the function $f(x) = \frac{|x+4|}{x^2 + 3x - 4}$. Calculate both one-side limits at the point(s) where the function is undefined. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4^-} \frac{|x+4|}{x^2 + 3x - 4} = \frac{8}{16 - 12 - 4} = \frac{8}{0} = \infty$
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4^+} \frac{|x+4|}{x^2 + 3x - 4} = \frac{8}{16 - 12 - 4} = \frac{8}{0} = -\infty$

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

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x+1 & \text{if } x < 2 \\ ax^2 - 1 & \text{if } 2 \leq x < 3 \\ 2x - a + bx & \text{if } x \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{-(x+4)}{(x+4)(x-1)}$$

$$\frac{(x+4)}{(x+4)(x-1)}$$

- [13] 4. Find the derivatives of the following functions (You do not have to simplify!):

(a) $f(x) = \frac{3\sqrt[9]{x^5} - 7x^3\sqrt{x} + x^{11}}{x^{\frac{4}{5}}}$

(b) $f(x) = \frac{\cos(3x)}{(1+x^2)^3}$

(c) $f(x) = \tan(\sqrt{2x^{-3} + 4e^{2x}})$

✓ (d) $f(x) = (2x^3 - 4)^{\sin x}$ (use logarithmic differentiation)

$e^{\sin x \cdot \ln(2x^3 - 4)} = \exp[\sin x \cdot \ln(2x^3 - 4)]$ and then $f'(x) = \sin x \cdot \ln(2x^3 - 4) + (2x^3 - 4)^{\sin x} \cdot \cos x$

- [18] 5. (a) A curve called a "Limacon of Pascal" is defined implicitly by the equation $(x^2 + y^2 - 4x)^2 = x^2 + y^2$. Verify that the point $(0, -1)$ belongs to the curve. Find an equation of the tangent line to the curve at this point.

- (b) Find the points on the ellipse $4x^2 + y^2 = 4$ that are farthest from the point $(1, 0)$. $M_1(-\frac{1}{3}, \pm \frac{4}{3} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}})$

- (c) A particle is moving along the curve $\frac{xy^3}{1+y^2} = \frac{8}{5}$. Assume that the x -coordinate is increasing at the rate of 6 units per second when the particle is at the point $(1, 2)$. At what rate is the y -coordinate of the point changing at that instant?

- [7] 6. Strontium-90 has a half-life of 28 days.

(a) A sample has a mass of 50 mg initially. Find a formula for the mass remaining after t -days.

(b) Find the mass remaining after 40 days.

(c) How long does it take the sample to decay to a mass of 2 mg?

[12] 7. Consider the function $f(x) = \sqrt{x+2}$.

- (a) Use the definition of the derivative to find the formula for $f'(x)$.
- (b) Use appropriate differentiation rules to verify (a).
- (c) Write the linearization formula for f at $a = 2$.
- (d) Use this linearization to approximate the value of $f(3)$.

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x+2}} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{4}} = \frac{1}{4}$$



[16] 8. Given the function $f(x) = 3x^5 - 20x^3$.

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

[5] Bonus Question. Calculate the limit $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (1+ax)^{\frac{1}{x}}$. Hint: use the l'Hôpital rule.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (1+ax)^{\frac{1}{x}} = e^{a \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{x} \cdot \frac{1}{1+ax}} = e^{a \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{1+ax}} = e^a$$