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Instructions:	Show all your work for full marks.	

MARKS

- [11] 1. (a) Solve for x (find the EXACT solution, *do not give a decimal approximation*):
 $2^{2x+2} = 3^{x-7}$
- (b) Let $f(x) = \ln(x^2 - 1)$ and $g(x) = 1 - x$. Find $f \circ g$ and determine its domain.
- (c) Find the inverse function f^{-1} of $f(x) = \ln(1 - 2x)$, and determine the range of $f^{-1}(x)$.

- [7] 2. Find the limit if it exists, otherwise explain why it does not exist:

(a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{|x - 2|(x + 3)}{x^2 + x - 6}$ (b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x - 1}{3 - \sqrt{x^2 + 8}}$

- [6] 3. Find all horizontal and vertical asymptotes of the function

$$f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{9x^2 + 1}}{x^2 - 25} \cdot \frac{x^2 + 1}{x + 5}$$

- [15] 4. Find the derivatives of the following functions (you don't need to simplify your final answer, but you must show how you calculate it):

(a) $f(x) = x^e e^x + e^2$

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

(c) $f(x) = \arctan[\sin(e^{x^2 \cos x})]$

(d) $f(x) = \sqrt{x}(x^{3/2} - x^{-1/2})(x + 1)$

(e) $f(x) = (1 + x^2)^{\tan(x)}$ (use logarithmic differentiation)

[12] 5. Consider the function $y = \sqrt{25 + x}$.

- (a) Use the **definition of derivative** to find the formula for dy/dx .
- (b) Find the linearization $L(x)$ of the function $y(x)$ at $a = 0$
- (c) Use this linearization to approximate $\sqrt{30}$.

[7] 6. Let $f(x) = x^3 - 2x + 3$.

- (a) Find the slope m of the secant line joining the points $(-2, f(-2))$ and $(0, f(0))$.
- (b) Find all points $x = c$ (if any) on the interval $[-2, 0]$ such that $f'(c) = m$.

[17] 7. (a) Verify that the point $(2, 1)$ belongs to the curve defined by the equation $x^2 + 2y^2 + 2 = x^3 y^3$, and find an equation of the tangent line to the curve at this point.

(b) A spherical snowball is melting in such a way that its diameter D is decreasing at the rate of $dD/dt = -0.1$ cm/min. At what rate the volume V of the snowball is decreasing when the diameter is 9 cm?

(NOTE: the volume of a sphere with radius r is $V = 4\pi r^3/3$)

(c) Use l'Hôpital's rule to evaluate the $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin^2(3x)}{1 - \cos(2x)}$.

[11] 8. (a) Find the point (x_0, y_0) on the line $y = x + 6$ that is closest to the origin.

(b) A rectangle is inscribed with its base on the x -axis and its upper corners on the parabola $y = 12 - x^2$. What is the largest possible area of such rectangle?

[14] **9.** Given the function $f(x) = 2x^3 - 21x^2 + 36x - 9$.

- (a) Calculate $f'(x)$ and use it to determine intervals where the function is increasing, intervals where it is decreasing, and all critical numbers on the x -axis where $f(x)$ has local maximum or local minimum.
- (b) 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).
- (c) Sketch the graph of the function $f(x)$ using the information obtained above.

[5] **Bonus Question.** Is it possible to have a function $f(x)$ such that $f(0) = 0$, $f(2) = 4$, **and** $f'(x) < 2$ for all x on the interval $[0, 2]$? Give an example of such function or prove that it is impossible.