

[15] 1. **Short Answer Questions.** Each question is worth 3 points. Put your final answer in the box provided, but NO CREDIT will be given for the answer without the correct accompanying work.

(a) Evaluate  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3x^2 - 1}{x^2 + \sqrt{x+1}}$ .

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2 \left( 3 - \frac{1}{x^2} \right)}{x^2 \left( 1 + \sqrt{\frac{x+1}{x^4}} \right)} = 3$$

Answer: 3

(b) Calculate  $f'(x)$  where  $f(x) = \frac{e^x - 3x}{1+x}$ .

$$f'(x) = \frac{(e^x - 3)(1+x) - (e^x - 3x)}{(1+x)^2}$$

$$= \frac{xe^x - 3}{(1+x)^2}$$

Answer:  $\frac{xe^x - 3}{(1+x)^2}$

(c) Evaluate  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} \frac{\sqrt{x^2+8} - 3}{x+1}$ .

$$\frac{\sqrt{x^2+8} - 3}{x+1} = \frac{\sqrt{x^2+8} - 3}{x+1} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x^2+8} + 3}{\sqrt{x^2+8} + 3}$$

$$= \frac{x^2+8-9}{(x+1)(\sqrt{x^2+8} + 3)} = \frac{x^2-1}{(x+1)(\sqrt{x^2+8} + 3)}$$

$$= \frac{(x-1)(x+1)}{(x+1)(\sqrt{x^2+8} + 3)} = \frac{x-1}{\sqrt{x^2+8} + 3}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} \frac{\sqrt{x^2+8} - 3}{x+1} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -1} \frac{x-1}{\sqrt{x^2+8} + 3} = \frac{-2}{6} = -\frac{1}{3}$$

Answer: -1/3

- (d) Let  $f(x) = \sqrt{1-x^2}$  for  $-1 \leq x \leq 1$ . Find the equation of the tangent line to  $f(x)$  at  $x = \sqrt{3}/2$ .

$$f'(x) = -\frac{2x}{2\sqrt{1-x^2}} = -\frac{x}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

Answer:

$$y = -\sqrt{3}x + 2$$

$$f'\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \left(\frac{1}{1-\frac{3}{4}}\right)^{1/2} = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1/4}}\right) = -\sqrt{3}$$

$$\frac{y-y_0}{x-x_0} = m = -\sqrt{3} \Rightarrow y-y_0 = -\sqrt{3}(x-x_0) \Rightarrow y_0 = \sqrt{1-\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$y = -\sqrt{3} \cdot (x-x_0) + \frac{1}{2} = -\sqrt{3}x + \sqrt{3} \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) + \frac{1}{2}$$

- (e) Find the values of  $a$  and  $b$  so that  $f(x) = \begin{cases} 2+3e^x & \text{if } x < 0, \\ ax+b & \text{if } x \geq 0 \end{cases}$  is differentiable everywhere.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} 2+3e^x = 2+3e^0$$

Answer:

$$a=3; b=5$$

$$= 5$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} ax+b = b \Rightarrow \boxed{b=5}$$

$$\left. \frac{df}{dx} \right|_{x=0^-} = 3e^x \Big|_0^- = 3; \quad \left. \frac{df}{dx} \right|_{x=0^+} = a \Big|_0^+ = a$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{a=3}$$

[10] 2. Definition of the Derivative.

(a) [3] Carefully state the definition of the derivative of a function  $f(x)$  at a point  $x = a$ .

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} \quad \text{or} \quad \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h}$$

When the limit exists, the function is said to be differentiable.

(b) [5] Use the definition of the derivative to compute the derivative of  $f(x) = \frac{x}{x-1}$  at  $x = 2$ . NO CREDIT will be given for using any other method.

$$\begin{aligned} f'(2) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{\frac{x}{x-1} - 2}{x - 2} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x - 2(x-1)}{(x-1)(x-2)} = \frac{x(-2x+2)}{(x-1)(x-2)} \end{aligned}$$

$$f'(2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{-x+2}{(x-1)(x-2)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{-(x-2)}{(x-1)(x-2)}$$

$$\boxed{f'(2) = -1}$$

[10] 3. The cost of producing  $q$  tons of sugar is given by  $C(q) = \frac{q^2}{20} + 9q + 120$ . When 10 tons of sugar are sold, the price at which the producer can sell them is \$269. For every extra 10 tons of sugar the producer sells in the market, the price drops by \$1 per ton.

(a) [2] Find the linear demand equation for sugar. Use  $p$  for the unit price and  $q$  for the weekly demand.

$$p = m q + b$$

$$p = -\frac{1}{10} q + b \quad (10, 269) \Rightarrow 269 = \frac{1}{10}(10) + b$$

$$\Rightarrow b = 270$$

$$\boxed{p = -\frac{1}{10}q + 270}$$

(b) [2] Find the weekly revenue function  $R(q)$  as a function of  $q$ .

$$R = p \cdot q$$

$$\boxed{R = -\frac{1}{10}q^2 + 270q}$$

(c) [2] Find the break-even points for the sugar producer. Give both the price  $p$  and quantity  $q$  at each of these points.

$$R(q) = C(q)$$

$$-\frac{1}{10}q^2 + 270q = \frac{q^2}{20} + 9q + 120$$

$$\frac{3q^2}{20} - 261q + 120 = 0 \Rightarrow q^2 - 1740q + 800 = 0$$

$$\Delta = 7561 \quad q_1 = 0.459 \quad q_2 = 1739.5$$

$$p_1 = 356.95 \quad p_2 = 96.046$$

(d) [2] Find the derivative of the profit function,  $P'(q)$ . (This derivative is usually called the *marginal profit*.)

$$P = R - C = -\frac{1}{10}q^2 + 270q - \left(\frac{q^2}{20} + 9q + 120\right)$$

$$P = -\frac{3}{20}q^2 + 261q - 120$$

$$\boxed{\frac{dP}{dq} = -\frac{3}{10}q + 261}$$

(e) [2] Suppose that the producer is producing and selling  $\hat{q}$  tons of sugar, where  $\hat{q}$  corresponds to the largest  $q$ -value of all the break-even points. Should the producer increase or decrease the amount of sugar it is producing to increase its profit? Explain your answer.

$$\hat{q} = 1739.5$$

$$P(\hat{q}) = -\frac{3}{20}(1739.5)^2 + 261(1739.5) - 120$$

$$P(870) = 10,4625$$

$$\frac{P(870) - P(1739.5)}{870 - 1739.5} < 0 \Rightarrow \text{decrease}$$

[15] 4. Consider the function  $f(x) = 1 - 2x - x^2$ . Find the points  $(x_0, y_0)$  and  $(x_1, y_1)$  such that the tangent lines to  $f(x)$  at  $(x_0, y_0)$  and  $(x_1, y_1)$  are parallel and orthogonal, respectively, to the given line  $y = x + 10$ .

$$f'(x) = -2 - 2x$$

$$\frac{y - y_0}{x - x_0} = -2 - 2x_0 \Rightarrow y_0 = 1 - 2 \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) - \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^2$$

$$y_0 = 2 - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{7}{4}$$

\* Orthogonal (perpendicular)

$$-2 - 2x_0 = -1 \Rightarrow \boxed{x_0 = -\frac{1}{2}} \Rightarrow \boxed{y_0 = \frac{7}{4}}$$

\* Parallel

$$y_0 = 1 - 2 \left(-\frac{3}{2}\right) - \left(-\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 = 4 - \frac{9}{4} = \frac{7}{4}$$

$$-2 - 2x_0 = 1 \Rightarrow \boxed{x_0 = -\frac{3}{2}} \Rightarrow \boxed{y_0 = \frac{7}{4}}$$