

Solutions to Review Problems

1. (5 pts each) For $f(x) = \frac{x-3}{9-x^2}$, answer the following questions.

(a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x) = \underline{-\frac{1}{6}}$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x-3}{9-x^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x-3}{(3-x)(3+x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{-(3-x)}{(3-x)(3+x)} = -\frac{1}{6}$$

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3} f(x) = \underline{D.N.E.}$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -3} \frac{x-3}{9-x^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -3} \frac{-(3-x)}{(3-x)(3+x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -3} \frac{1}{3+x} \quad \text{does not exist. get } -\frac{1}{0}$$

(c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = \underline{-\frac{1}{3}}$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x-3}{9-x^2} = \frac{0-3}{9-0} = -\frac{3}{9} = -\frac{1}{3} \quad \text{No zero in denominator}$$

(d) Where is $f(x)$ discontinuous? Only at points where denominator is zero

since it is a

rational function.

$$x=3, x=-3$$

2. (5 pts each) Find the following limits.

$$(a) \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{x^2 + 5x - 3}{2x^2 + 7x} = \frac{\frac{1}{x^2}(x^2 + 5x - 3)}{\frac{1}{x^2}(2x^2 + 7x)} \rightarrow \frac{1 + \frac{5}{x} - \frac{3}{x^2}}{2 + \frac{7}{x}} \rightarrow 0$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{\frac{1}{x^2}(x^2 + 5x - 3)}{\frac{1}{x^2}(2x^2 + 7x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{1 + \frac{5}{x} - \frac{3}{x^2}}{2 + \frac{7}{x}} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$(b) \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^3 + x - 2}{3x^5 + 4x^2 + 1} = \frac{0}{0}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{x^5}(x^3 + x - 2)}{\frac{1}{x^5}(3x^5 + 4x^2 + 1)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{x^4} - \frac{2}{x^5}}{3 + 4/x^3 + 1/x^5} = \frac{0}{3} = 0$$

3. (12 pts) Use the **definition of the derivative** to find $f'(x)$ for $f(x) = x^2 + 3x$.

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x+h)^2 + 3(x+h) - [x^2 + 3x]}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 + 2xh + h^2 + 3x + 3h - x^2 - 3x}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2xh + h^2 + 3h}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h(2x + 3 + h)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 2x + 3 + h = 2x + 3 \end{aligned}$$

$$f'(x) = 2x + 3$$

4. (6 pts each) Suppose the total cost of producing x bicycles is given by
 $C(x) = 5000 + 40x + 0.5x^2$.

(a) How fast is the Cost changing with respect to the number of bicycles produced?

$$C'(x) = 40 + 2(0.5)x = 40 + x$$

Answer: $40 + x$

(b) What is the rate of change of the Cost function when 10 bicycles are produced?

$$C'(10) = 40 + 10 = 50$$

50

Answer: 50

5. (5 pts each) Find y' for the following functions. (Do NOT bother to simplify!!!)

$$(a) y = \sqrt[3]{x} - \frac{5}{2x^2} + 4x - 7x^{-1} = x^{1/3} - \frac{5}{2}x^{-2} - 7x^{-1} \quad \text{from deriv. of } 4x$$

$$y' = \frac{1}{3}x^{-2/3} - (-2)\frac{5}{2}x^{-3} - (-1)7x^{-2} + 4$$

$$y' = \frac{1}{3}x^{-2/3} + 5x^{-3} + 7x^{-2} + 4$$

$$(b) y = (4x^4 + x^2)\left(5x + \frac{1}{x^{2/3}}\right) \quad y' = (4x^4 + x^2)'(5x + \frac{1}{x^{2/3}}) + (4x^4 + x^2)(5x + \frac{1}{x^{2/3}})'$$

$$= (16x^3 + 2x)(5x + \frac{1}{x^{2/3}}) + (4x^4 + x^2)\left(5 - \frac{2}{3}x^{-5/3}\right)$$

$$y' = (16x^3 + 2x)(5x + \frac{1}{x^{2/3}}) + (4x^4 + x^2)\left(5 - \frac{2}{3}x^{-5/3}\right)$$

(Note: This is #5 continued.)

Find y' for the following functions. (Do NOT bother to simplify!!!)

$$(c) \quad y = \frac{2x^3 - 1}{5x^3} \quad y' = \frac{(2x^3 - 1)' 5x^3 - (2x^3 - 1)(5x^3)'}{(5x^3)^2} = \frac{6x^2 \cdot 5x^3 - (2x^3 - 1) \cdot 15x^2}{25x^6}$$

$$y' = \frac{6x^2 \cdot 5x^3 - (2x^3 - 1) \cdot 15x^2}{25x^6} \leftarrow \text{could leave as } (5x^3)^2$$

$$(d) \quad y = \sqrt{5x + 3x^3} = (5x + 3x^3)^{1/2}$$

$$y' = \frac{1}{2}(5x + 3x^3)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \cdot (5x + 3x^3)' = \frac{1}{2}(5x + 3x^3)^{-\frac{1}{2}}(5 + 9x^2)$$

$$y' = \frac{\frac{1}{2}(5x + 3x^3)^{-\frac{1}{2}}(5 + 9x^2)}{2}$$

6. (10 pts) Find the second derivative of $\frac{dy}{dx}$.

second derivative: _____

7. (16 pts) For $f(x) = 3x(x^2 - 4x)$, find the equation of the tangent line to the curve at $x = -1$.

Slope is $f'(-1)$.

$$f'(x) = 3(x^2 - 4x) + 3x(x^2 - 4x)' = 3(x^2 - 4x) + 3x(2x - 4)$$

$$\text{So } m = f'(-1) = 3((-1)^2 - 4(-1)) + 3(-1)(2(-1) - 4) \\ = 3(1+4) - 3(-6) = 15 + 18 = 33$$

$$\text{When } x = -1, y = f(-1) = -3((-1)^2 + 4) = -3 \cdot 5 = -15$$

Point slope equation

$$y - (-15) = 33(x - (-1)) \quad \text{or} \quad y + 15 = 33(x + 1)$$

Tangent Line: $y + 15 = 33(x + 1)$