

Exam II Review  
Math 170 Calculus I

Exam II will be based on material from Chapters 2 and 3.

**You will be expected to know:**

- how to find the tangent line to a function at a point
- the relationship between the tangent line of a function and the derivative
- how to find the derivative of a function using the limit definition
- the power rule
- the product rule
- the quotient rule
- the chain rule
- the derivative of the trig functions  $\sin(x)$ ,  $\cos(x)$ , and  $\tan(x)$
- how to find the derivative of a function implicitly
- what logarithmic differentiation is, and how and when to apply it
- the derivatives of  $\ln(x)$  and  $e^x$
- the derivatives of  $\ln(f(x))$  and  $e^{f(x)}$
- the derivative of  $\sin^{-1}(x)$ ,  $\cos^{-1}(x)$ , and  $\tan^{-1}(x)$
- how to recognize an indeterminate form
- L'Hôpital's rule, and how and when to apply it

## Some sample problems

1. Find a point on the graph of  $y = x^2$  where the tangent line to  $y$  is parallel to the line  $y = 6x - 4$ .
2. Find  $f'(x)$  using the limit definition of the derivative when  $f(x) = 3x^2 - 1$ . Check your answer using the power rule.
3. Let  $f(x) = 4x^2 + 2x - 3$ . Find the intervals, if any, where  $f(x)$  is increasing. Find the intervals, if any, where  $f(x)$  is decreasing.
4. Find the  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  (aka  $y'$ ), using any method you prefer.

(a)  $y = \left( \frac{x^2 - 2}{2x^2 + 1} \right)^3$

(f)  $y = \left( \frac{\sin(x)}{\cos(x)} \right)^4$

(b)  $y = \sin(x^3 + 2)$

(g)  $y = \ln(\tan(x))$

(c)  $y = \frac{e^x}{\ln(x)}$

(h)  $y = \frac{-2x^3 - 5x}{8x^2 - 10x}$

(d)  $3xy^2 + 6y - 4x^3 = 10$

(i)  $y = e^{\sqrt{1-3x^2}}$

(e)  $y = e^x \sin^{-1}(x)$

(j)  $y = \sin^{-1}(x) + \cos^{-1}(x)$

5. Find  $y''$  if  $x^2 + y^2 = 50$ . Simplify your answer as much as possible.
6. Find  $y'$  using logarithmic differentiation if  $y = \left( \frac{x^2 - 5}{3x^4 + 6} \right) (x^3 + 1)(3x^4 - 5x^2 + 2x)$ .
7. Two parallel sides of a rectangle are being lengthened at the rate of 2 in/sec, while the other two sides are shortened in such a way that the figure remains a rectangle with constant area 50 in<sup>2</sup>. What is the rate of change of the perimeter of the rectangle when the length of an increasing side is 5 in? Is the perimeter increasing or decreasing? **NOTE:** There will be at least one related rates problem on the exam - it may not be similar to this one, but the more you practice, the better you'll understand the overall strategy.

8. Find the limits:

(a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{x^{60}}{e^x}$

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

(c)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left( \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{\sin(x)} \right)$