

Math 124 - Fall 2010

Exam 1

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- There are 7 questions spanning 5 pages. Make sure your exam contains all these questions.
- You are allowed to use a scientific calculator (**no graphing calculators**) and one **hand-written** 8.5 by 11 inch page of notes.
- Check that your exam contains all the problems listed above.
- You must show your work on all problems. The correct answer with no supporting work may result in no credit. **Put a box around your FINAL ANSWER for each problem and cross out any work that you don't want to be graded.** Give exact answers wherever possible.
- If you need more room, use the backs of the pages and indicate to the grader that you have done so.
- Raise your hand if you have a question.
- Any student found engaging in academic misconduct will receive a score of 0 on this exam.
- You have 80 minutes to complete the exam. Budget your time wisely.  
**SPEND NO MORE THAN 15 MINUTES PER PAGE!**

GOOD LUCK!

1. (16 pts) Determine the values of the following limits or state that the limit does not exist. If it is correct to say that the limit equals  $\infty$  or  $-\infty$ , then you should do so. In all cases, show your work/reasoning.

(a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{5x^2 - 5x - 30}{2x - 6}$

(b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{|x - 1|}{x - 1} \right)$

(c)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\sqrt{3x + 4x^2 - 1} - 2x)$

(d)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5^+} \frac{1 - x^2}{\sqrt{x - 5}}$

2. (5 pts) Determine the value of the limit (explain your work):  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{(2 + e^x)x^2 + 3 \cos(x)}{x^2 \tan^{-1}(x) - 4\pi}$

3. (7 pts) Let  $f(x) = e^{\sin(2x)} + \tan(x)$ . Find  $f'(0)$  and  $f''(0)$ .

4. (8 pts) Let  $f(x) = \frac{7x + 1}{\sqrt{x^2 + 3}}$ .

(a) Find the equations of the tangent line and normal line to  $f(x)$  at the point on the graph where  $x = 1$ .

(b) Find the  $x$ -coordinates of all points on the graph of  $f(x)$  at which the tangent line is horizontal.

5. (4 pts) Suppose  $f(x)$  is some function that is defined for all real numbers (you don't know if  $f(x)$  is even, odd or neither). For each new function defined below, determine if the function **must** be even, odd, or neither:

(a)  $g(x) = f(x) - f(-x)$                       CIRCLE ONE:    EVEN            ODD            NEITHER

(b)  $h(x) = f(x) + f(-x)$                       CIRCLE ONE:    EVEN            ODD            NEITHER

(c)  $k(x) = |f(x)|$                               CIRCLE ONE:    EVEN            ODD            NEITHER

(d)  $j(x) = f(x)f(-x)$                       CIRCLE ONE:    EVEN            ODD            NEITHER

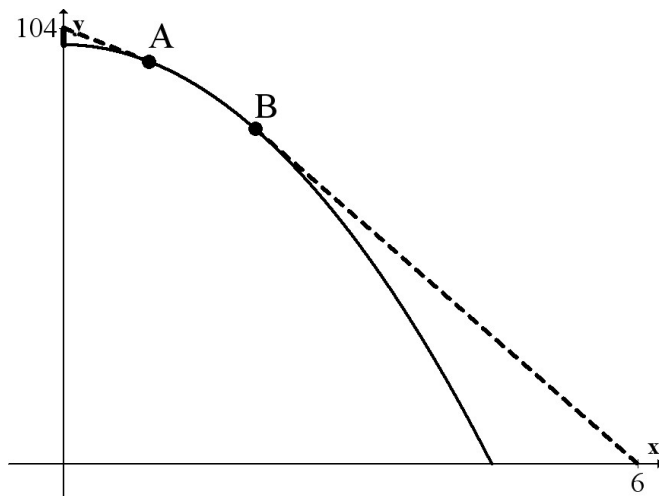
6. (10 points)

The side view of a hill, depicted to the right, is given by the function

$$y = -5x^2 + 100,$$

where  $x$  and  $y$  are in feet.

A long rope is tied to the ground at the point  $(6,0)$  and to the top of a 4 foot post at the very top of the hill. The rope is pulled tight so that it bends to form two separate straight line segments adjoining a segment of rope in the middle that follows the curve of the hill.



Find the points  $A$  and  $B$  at which the rope first touches the hill on each side.  
(Hint: The straight lines form two different tangent lines to the hill).

7. (10 pts) Determine the values for the constants  $a$  and  $b$  such that the following function,  $f$ , is **continuous** and **differentiable** for all real numbers  $x$ .

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} ax^2 + bx - 1 & , \text{ if } x \leq 1; \\ \frac{a + bx}{x + 1} & , \text{ if } x > 1. \end{cases}$$