

MATH 251 Calculus I Fall 2003
Practice problems for Final

Name: _____

1. Evaluate the following limits.

(a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2 - 4}{3x^2 - 2x - 8}$

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x^{\frac{1}{x}}$

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

2. Sketch

(a) $f(x) = x^{8/3} - 2x^{5/3} - 6x^{2/3}$

(b) $f(x) = x + \frac{4}{x}$

(c) $f(x) = x \ln x$

3. A rectangular box has a square base with edges at least 1cm long. Its total surface area is 600cm^2 . What is the largest possible volume that such a box can have?

4. Show that of all rectangles of a given area the one with smallest perimeter is a square.