

**MATHEMATICS 1**  
**ADDITIONAL EXERCISES N. 6**

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**Notation:**  $\log$  stands for the natural logarithm (i.e. the logarithm with the basis  $e$ )

1. DERIVATIVES AND APPLICATIONS

- (1) Use the definition of the derivative to compute the derivative of the following functions at the given point  $x_0$

$$f(x) = 3x^2 + 1, \quad x_0 = 0$$

$$f(x) = 5x + 7, \quad x_0 = 1$$

$$f(x) = \sqrt{x}, \quad x_0 = 2$$

$$f(x) = \frac{x+1}{x}, \quad x_0 = -3$$

$$f(x) = \log(x+3), \quad x_0 = 0$$

$$f(x) = \sqrt{x^2 + 2}, \quad x_0 = 3$$

$$f(x) = 3x^2 + 1, \quad x_0 = 0$$

$$f(x) = |x^2 - 4|, \quad x_0 = -1$$

$$f(x) = \frac{5}{x+1}, \quad x_0 = -2$$

$$f(x) = e^{2x}, \quad x_0 = 0$$

- (2) Compute the derivatives of the following functions

1.  $f(x) = x + \sin(x) + 3\cos(x)$

2.  $f(x) = e^x + \log(x) + 3x^2$

3.  $f(x) = \sqrt{x} + 3x\sqrt{x} + 2\sqrt[3]{x^2}$

4.  $f(x) = \frac{7}{x^2} + \frac{2}{e^x}$

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5.  $f(x) = x^3 - 3 \sin(x)$
7.  $f(x) = 2\sqrt{x} \log(x)$
9.  $f(x) = \sqrt{x} \cos(x) + \sin(x)$
11.  $f(x) = e^x(2 - e^x) + \sin(x) + 3 \cos(x)$
13.  $f(x) = e^x(\cos(x) + \sin(x))$
15.  $f(x) = \tan(x)(1 - \tan(x))$
17.  $f(x) = x^2 \arctan(x)$
19.  $f(x) = x^3 \sin(x) \log(x)$
21.  $f(x) = 2 \sin(3x) - 4$
23.  $f(x) = (x^2 + 2x)^4 \left( \frac{3}{x} - 2x \right)$
25.  $f(x) = \sqrt{\log(x^4 + x^2 + 1)}$
27.  $f(x) = (x + 1) \log^3(x)$
29.  $f(x) = \frac{2x - 1}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}}$
31.  $f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{x}}{x + 2}$
33.  $f(x) = \frac{\log(x)}{1 + \log(x)}$
35.  $f(x) = \frac{1 - \tan(x)}{\sin(x) - \cos(x)}$
37.  $f(x) = e^{5-x^2}$
39.  $f(x) = \log(\sqrt{x^2 + 4})$
41.  $f(x) = \log(e^x + e^{-x})$
43.  $f(x) = xe^{\frac{x-1}{x}}$
45.  $f(x) = \arctan 2x + 3$
47.  $f(x) = (e^{3x^2+2} - 2x)^5$
49.  $f(x) = xe^{\sqrt{x}}$
6.  $f(x) = x^2 e^x$
8.  $f(x) = x \log(x)$
10.  $f(x) = x^2 \sin(x)$
12.  $f(x) = (x^2 - x)e^x$
14.  $f(x) = \tan(x)$
16.  $f(x) = (1 - 2 \cos(x)) \tan(x)$
18.  $f(x) = \sqrt{1 - x^2} \arcsin(x)$
20.  $f(x) = (3x + 1)^4$
22.  $f(x) = e^{2x+1} + \log(x^2 + x)$
24.  $f(x) = \sqrt{3x^2 + 2x + 5}$
26.  $f(x) = \log^2(x) + 3x + 5$
28.  $f(x) = \frac{4x^2 - 5}{x + 1}$
30.  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x + \sqrt{x^2 - 1}}$
32.  $f(x) = \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{1 - e^x}$
34.  $f(x) = \frac{1 - 2 \cos(x)}{\sin(x)}$
36.  $f(x) = \cos(x^4 + 4x)$
38.  $f(x) = \log\left(\frac{x}{x - 1}\right)$
40.  $f(x) = \log(\sin^2(3x + 1))$
42.  $f(x) = \log(\cos(x)) + x \tan(x)$
44.  $f(x) = \log\left(\frac{x}{x + 1}\right) + \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{2x^2}$
46.  $f(x) = \arcsin e^x$
48.  $f(x) = \sqrt{x} \log(\sqrt{x})$
50.  $f(x) = x^2 \log(x + 1)$

- (3) For each of the following functions, compute the equation of the tangent line at the given point  $x_0$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= 3x^2 - 9x + 4, & x_0 &= 1 \\ f(x) &= x^2 + 1, & x_0 &= 1 \\ f(x) &= \frac{x+1}{x}, & x_0 &= -1 \\ f(x) &= 5 + \log(x), & x_0 &= 1 \\ f(x) &= \sqrt{1-x^3}, & x_0 &= 1 \\ f(x) &= e^{4x-1}, & x_0 &= -\frac{1}{2} \\ f(x) &= \frac{x^2}{x+3}, & x_0 &= -1 \\ f(x) &= \log(3x+2), & x_0 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

- (4) For each of the following functions, say if they continuous and differentiable, and if not, identify the nature of discontinuity and non-differentiability points

$$\begin{array}{ll} 1. & f(x) = |9 - x^2| \\ 2. & f(x) = |x^2 + 3| \\ 3. & f(x) = \sqrt{x^2 - 4x + 3} \\ 4. & f(x) = \sqrt[3]{2x^2 - 8} \\ 5. & f(x) = \sqrt[3]{3x - 1} \\ 6. & f(x) = x\sqrt{x} \\ 7. & f(x) = |x| + |x + 1| \\ 8. & f(x) = \frac{1}{\log(x)} \\ 9. & f(x) = x\sqrt[3]{x} \\ 10. & f(x) = \frac{|x^2 - x|}{x} \end{array}$$

- (5) For each of the following functions, compute the first order Taylor approximation  $P(x)$  at the point  $x_0$ . Evaluate also the error (absolute and in percentage) that is made by

approximating the function  $f(x_1)$  with  $P(x_1)$ .

$$\begin{array}{lll}
 f(x) = \sqrt{x+1}, & x_0 = 0, & x_1 = 0.1 \\
 f(x) = x^3, & x_0 = 2, & x_1 = 2.01 \\
 f(x) = \frac{1}{x+1}, & x_0 = 0, & x_1 = 0.01 \\
 f(x) = \frac{x+1}{x}, & x_0 = -1, & x_1 = -0.9 \\
 f(x) = \log(x+1), & x_0 = 0, & x_1 = 0.2 \\
 f(x) = \sqrt{1-x^3}, & x_0 = 1, & x_1 = 1.01 \\
 f(x) = e^x, & x_0 = 0, & x_1 = -0.2 \\
 f(x) = \sin(x), & x_0 = 0, & x_1 = \frac{\pi}{6}
 \end{array}$$

(6) Determine the intervals in which the functions are increasing and decreasing

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| 1. $f(x) = x^2 + 2x$               | 2. $f(x) = x^2 - 2x + 3$                              |
| 3. $f(x) = 2x^4 - 27x$             | 4. $f(x) = \frac{1}{x+1}$                             |
| 5. $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 1}{x}$      | 6. $f(x) = \sqrt{x+1}$                                |
| 7. $f(x) = x\sqrt{2x+1}$           | 8. $f(x) = x + \sin(x)$                               |
| 9. $f(x) = x + \cos(x)$            | 10. $f(x) = \log(x) - \frac{e}{x}$                    |
| 11. $f(x) = x^2 - \log(x^2 - 1)$   | 12. $f(x) = \frac{1 + \log(x)}{x}$                    |
| 13. $f(x) = \log^3(x) - \log^2(x)$ | 14. $f(x) = \log\left(\frac{x^2 + 4}{x^2 - 4}\right)$ |
| 15. $f(x) = e^x - e^{-x}$          | 16. $f(x) = (x+1)e^x$                                 |
| 17. $f(x) = \frac{x-1}{e^x}$       | 18. $f(x) = \frac{x+1}{x-2}$                          |
| 19. $f(x) = 1 + 2\sqrt{x^2 - 1}$   | 20. $f(x) = \frac{1}{1 - \sqrt{x}}$                   |

(7) Determine the intervals in which the functions are concave and convex

1.  $f(x) = 4x^3 - 1$

2.  $f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 + 3$

3.  $f(x) = 2x^4 - 2x^3$

4.  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x-1}$

5.  $f(x) = \frac{x}{x+2}$

6.  $f(x) = x\sqrt{x^2+1}$

7.  $f(x) = e^{-x^2+2x}$

8.  $f(x) = x^2 - x \log(x)$

9.  $f(x) = \frac{x^3-1}{x^3+1}$

10.  $f(x) = \log^3(x) - 9 \log(x)$

11.  $f(x) = x(x+2)^3$

12.  $f(x) = \frac{1}{4}x^4 - 2x^2$

13.  $f(x) = \frac{x^3+1}{x}$

14.  $f(x) = x^2 - \sin(x)$

15.  $f(x) = e^{x^2-1}$

16.  $f(x) = \log(x^3-1)$

17.  $f(x) = \frac{x}{e^x}$

18.  $f(x) = \log^2(x+1)$

19.  $f(x) = \sqrt{2x-1}$

20.  $f(x) = x^2 - \sqrt{x}$

(8) Compute the stationary points of the following functions and determine if these are local maxima, local minima or inflection points with horizontal tangents

1.  $f(x) = x^3 - 9x$

2.  $f(x) = x^4 - 2x^2$

3.  $f(x) = x^4 - 4x^3 + 5$

4.  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x-1}$

5.  $f(x) = \frac{x}{x+1}$

6.  $f(x) = \frac{3-x}{x+2}$

7.  $f(x) = \frac{x^2}{x^2+1}$

8.  $f(x) = x\sqrt[3]{x}$

9.  $f(x) = e^{\frac{1-x}{x^2}}$

10.  $f(x) = \log(x^2+1)$

11.  $f(x) = \frac{\log(x)}{x}$

12.  $f(x) = \log(2x-x^2)$

13.  $f(x) = xe^{-x^2}$

14.  $f(x) = e^{x^3-6x^2}$

15.  $f(x) = \frac{x^2-3}{x-5}$

16.  $f(x) = x^2 + \frac{1}{x}$

17.  $f(x) = \frac{x^2}{x^2+3x-3}$

18.  $f(x) = \frac{x^2+4x}{x^2+6x+5}$

19.  $f(x) = \log^4(x) - \log^2(x)$

20.  $f(x) = x - \sqrt{x}$

(9) Compute the maxima and minima of the following functions in the given intervals

1.  $f(x) = \sqrt{x^2 + 1}$  in  $[-1, 1]$
2.  $f(x) = \frac{x^2}{x^2 + 1}$  in  $[-1, 1]$
3.  $f(x) = x^3 - 3x + 7$  in  $[0, 4]$
4.  $f(x) = x\sqrt[3]{x}$  in  $[-2, -1]$
5.  $f(x) = \frac{x^2 + x + 1}{(x - 1)^2}$  in  $[-2, 2]$
6.  $f(x) = e^{|x-1|}$  in  $[-3, 3]$
7.  $f(x) = \frac{\log(x)}{x}$  in  $[1, e^2]$
8.  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2 - 3}$  in  $[-1, 2]$

(10) Use De L'Hopital rule to compute the following limits

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| 1. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x \cos(x) - \sin(x)}{x^3}$       | 2. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\sqrt[3]{x} - 1}{x - 1}$            |
| 3. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - e^{\sin(x)}}{x + \sin(x)}$ | 4. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{e^x - e}{x - 1}$                    |
| 5. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x - \log(1 + x)}{x}$             | 6. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} x e^x$                              |
| 7. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\sin^2(x)} - \frac{1}{x^2}$   | 8. $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\log(x^2 + 3x + 5)}{x^2 + 1}$ |
| 9. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2 \cos(x) - 2 + x^2}{x^4}$       | 10. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{x} + \log(x)$                 |

## 2. SKETCH OF THE PLOT OF A FUNCTION

(1) for each of the following functions determine, if possible

- (a) the domain
- (b) the sign
- (c) the asymptotes
- (d) the intervals in which functions are increasing and decreasing
- (e) the intervals where the functions are concave and convex
- (f) local maxima, local minima and inflection points

Finally use the information collected above to sketch the graph of the functions.

1.  $f(x) = x^3 - x^2$

3.  $f(x) = \frac{3x^2}{x^2 + 1}$

5.  $f(x) = \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^3$

7.  $f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{1-x}}{x}$

9.  $f(x) = 2 + e^{-x+3}$

11.  $f(x) = \frac{\log(x)}{2 - \log(x)}$

13.  $f(x) = \frac{\log^2(x)}{x}$

15.  $f(x) = \sqrt{1 - e^x}$

17.  $f(x) = \frac{x-1}{e^x}$

19.  $f(x) = 1 + 2\sqrt{x^2 - 1}$

2.  $f(x) = 3x^4 - 4x^3$

4.  $f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 2}{x^2 - x}$

6.  $f(x) = \sqrt{x + \frac{1}{x}}$

8.  $f(x) = \frac{(x+2)|x|}{1-x^2}$

10.  $f(x) = e^{\frac{x-1}{2-x}}$

12.  $f(x) = \frac{\log(x+1)}{x}$

14.  $f(x) = 1 - e^{-x^2}$

16.  $f(x) = x - \sqrt{x^2 - 2x}$

18.  $f(x) = \frac{x+1}{x-2}$

20.  $f(x) = \frac{1}{1 - \sqrt{x}}$