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**PART I**

The possible answers to all questions in Part I are the digits in the **ANSWER SET**:

(A) 0 (B) 1 (C) 2 (D) 3 (E) 4 (F) 5 (G) 6 (H) 7 (I) 8 (J) 9

Evaluate the limits:

(1)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^3 + 2x - 7}{x - 1}$  **Solution:**  $\frac{2^3 + 2(2) - 7}{2 - 1} = \frac{8 + 7 - 7}{1} = \mathbf{5}$

(2)  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$  if  $f(x) = -\frac{16}{x}$  and  $x = 2$

**Solution:**  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-\frac{16}{x+h} - \left(-\frac{16}{x}\right)}{h} = 16 \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-\frac{1}{x+h} + \frac{1}{x}}{h} =$

$$16 \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{-x + (x+h)}{x(x+h)}}{h} = 16 \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h}{x(x+h)} = 16 \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{x(x+h)} = \frac{16}{x^2} = \frac{16}{2^2} = \mathbf{4}$$



Using the limit definition to compute the derivative of  $f(x) = 2x^3 - 3x^2$ , we arrive at  $f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{[3x^2 - 2x + (ax - b)h + 2h^2]h}{h} = 3x^2 - 2x$ ,

where (3)  $a =$  and (4)  $b =$

**Solution:**  $f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{[2(x+h)^3 - 3(x+h)^2] - [2x^3 - 3x^2]}{h} =$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{[2(x^3 + 3x^2h + 3xh^2 + h^3) - 3(x^2 + 2xh + h^2)] - 2x^3 + 3x^2}{h} =$$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{[2x^3 + 6x^2h + 6xh^2 + 2h^3 - 3x^2 - 6xh - 3h^2] - 2x^3 + 3x^2}{h} =$$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{6x^2h + 6xh^2 + 2h^3 - 6xh - 3h^2}{h} =$$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(6x^2 - 6x + (6x - 3)h + 2h^2)h}{h} =$$

so (3)  $a = 6$  and (4)  $b = 3$

Find  $f'(1)$  if:

(5) If  $f(x) = 6x^5 - 5x^4 - 2x^3 + 5x + \pi^4$

**Solution:**  $f'(x) = 6(5x^{5-1}) - 5(4x^{4-1}) - 2(3x^{2-1}) + 5(1) + 0 = 30x^4 - 20x^3 - 6x + 5$ , so  $f'(1) = 30(1^4) - 20(1^3) - 6(1) + 5 = 30 - 20 - 6 + 5 = 9$

(6)  $f(x) = \frac{1}{324}(4x - 1)^5$  **Solution:**  $f'(x) = \frac{1}{324}5(4x - 1)^{5-1}(4x - 1)' =$

$$\frac{1}{324}5(4x - 1)^4(4) = \frac{20}{324}(4x - 1)^4 = \frac{5}{81}(4x - 1)^4 =,$$

so  $f'(1) = \frac{5}{81}(4(1) - 1)^4 = \frac{5}{81}(3)^4 = 5$



(7)  $f(x) = \frac{6}{5}\sqrt{5x^5 + 4}$  **Solution:**  $f(x) = \frac{6}{5}(5x^5 + 4)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , so

$$f'(x) = \frac{6}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{2} (5x^5 + 4)^{\frac{1}{2}-1} (5x^5 + 4)' = \frac{3}{5} (5x^5 + 4)^{-\frac{1}{2}} (5(5x^{5-1}) + 0) =$$

$$\frac{3}{5(5x^5 + 4)^{\frac{1}{2}}} (25x^4) = \frac{15x^4}{(5x^5 + 4)^{\frac{1}{2}}}, \text{ so}$$

$$f'(1) = \frac{15(1)^4}{(5(1)^5 + 4)^{\frac{1}{2}}} = \frac{15}{(5 + 4)^{\frac{1}{2}}} = \frac{15}{\sqrt{9}} = \frac{15}{3} = \mathbf{5}$$

(8)  $f(x) = 72 \frac{x+4}{x+5}$  **Solution:**  $f'(x) = 72 \frac{(x+5)(x+4)' - (x+4)(x+5)'}{(x+5)^2} =$   
 $72 \frac{(x+5)(1) - (x+4)(1)}{(x+5)^2} = 72 \frac{1}{(x+5)^2}$ , so

$$f'(1) = 72 \frac{1}{(1+5)^2} = 72 \frac{1}{36} = \mathbf{2}$$

(9)  $f(x) = \frac{9}{128}(x^4 + 1)^4$  **Solution:**  $f'(x) = \frac{9}{128} 4(x^4 + 1)^{4-1} (x^4 + 1)' =$

$$f'(x) = \frac{9}{32}(x^4 + 1)^3 (4x^{4-1} + 0) = \frac{9}{8}(x^4 + 1)^3 x^3, \text{ so } f'(1) = \frac{9}{8}((1)^4 + 1)^3 (1)^3 = \frac{9}{8}(2)^3 =$$

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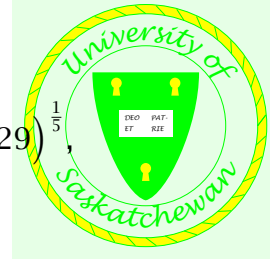
(10)  $f(x) = -\frac{192(x+2)^5}{405(x+1)^5}$  **Solution:**  $f(x) = -\frac{192}{405} \left(\frac{x+2}{x+1}\right)^5$ , so

$$f'(x) = -\frac{192}{405} 5 \left(\frac{x+2}{x+1}\right)^{5-1} \left(\frac{x+2}{x+1}\right)' = -\frac{192}{81} \left(\frac{x+2}{x+1}\right)^4 \left(\frac{(x+1)(x+2)' - (x+2)(x+1)'}{x^2}\right) =$$
$$-\frac{192}{81} \left(\frac{x+2}{x+1}\right)^4 \left(\frac{(x+1)(1) - (x+2)(1)}{(x+1)^2}\right) = -\frac{192}{81} \left(\frac{x+2}{x+1}\right)^4 \left(\frac{-1}{(x+1)^2}\right) = \frac{192}{81} \left(\frac{x+2}{x+1}\right)^4 \left(\frac{1}{(x+1)^2}\right),$$

so

$$f'(1) = \frac{192}{81} \left(\frac{1+2}{1+1}\right)^4 \left(\frac{1}{(1+1)^2}\right) = \frac{192}{81} \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^4 \left(\frac{1}{2^2}\right) =$$

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(11)  $f(x) = \frac{280}{3} \sqrt[5]{x^3 + x^2 + x + 29}$  **Solution:**  $f(x) = \frac{280}{3} (x^3 + x^2 + x + 29)^{\frac{1}{5}}$   
 so

$$f'(x) = \frac{280}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{5} (x^3 + x^2 + x + 29)^{\frac{1}{5}-1} (x^3 + x^2 + x + 29)' =$$

$$\frac{56}{3} (x^3 + x^2 + x + 29)^{-\frac{4}{5}} (3x^2 + 2x + 1) = \frac{56}{3 (\sqrt[5]{x^3 + x^2 + x + 29})^4} (3x^2 + 2x + 1),$$

so  $f'(1) = \frac{56}{3 (\sqrt[5]{(1)^3 + (1)^2 + 1 + 29})^4} (3(1)^2 + 2(1) + 1) = \frac{56}{3 (\sqrt[5]{32})^4} 6 = \frac{56}{2^4} 2 = \mathbf{7}$

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(12) The  $x$ -intercept of the line tangent to the graph  $y = x^2 + 4$  at the point  $(2, 8)$  is:

**Solution:** Since  $y' = 2x$ , the slope of the tangent line at  $(2, 8)$  is  $2(2)=4$ .

The Point-Slope equation of the tangent line (the line through  $(2, 8)$  with slope 4) is thus  $y - 8 = 4(x - 2)$ . This line intersects the  $x$ -axis when  $y = 0$ , so we must have  $0 - 8 = 4(x - 2)$  or  $-2 = x - 2$ , so  $x = \mathbf{0}$

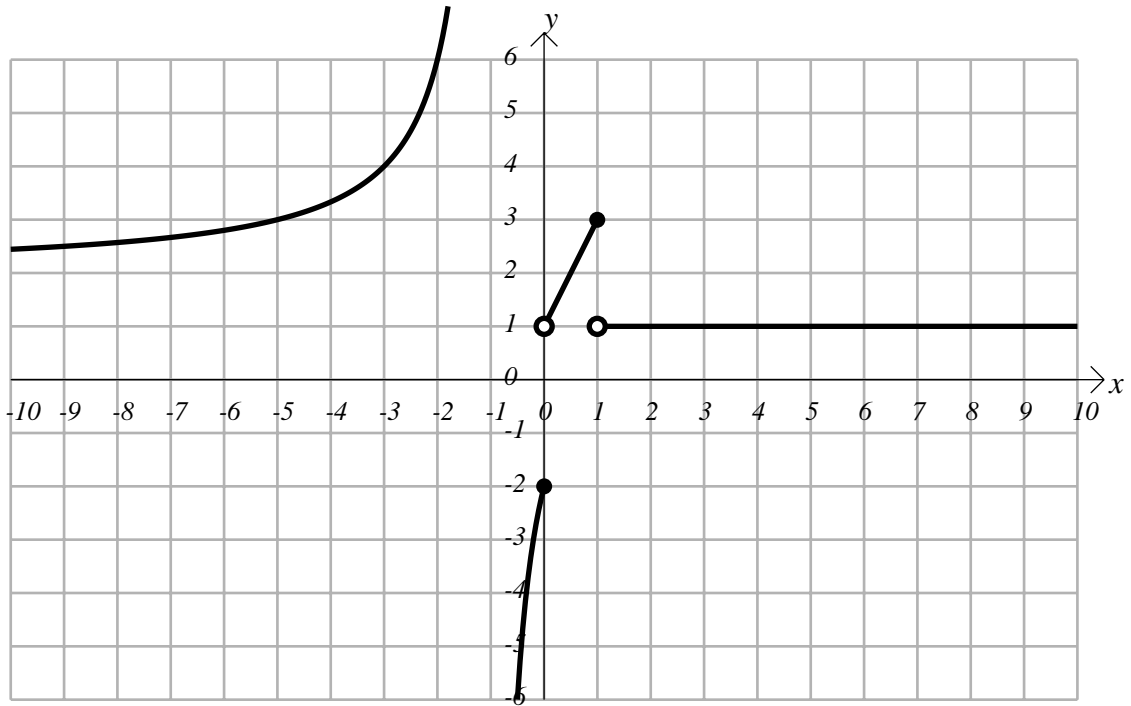
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# PART II

The possible answers to all questions in Part II are in the ANSWER SET:

(A)  $-\infty$  (B)  $-3$  (C)  $-2$  (D)  $-1$  (E)  $0$  (F)  $1$  (G)  $2$  (H)  $3$  (I)  $4$  (J)  $\infty$



Part of the graph of  $y = f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x-3}{x+1} + 1 & \text{if } x \leq 0 \text{ and } x \neq -1 \\ 2x + 1 & \text{if } 0 < x \leq 1 \\ 1 & \text{if } 1 < x \end{cases}$  is shown above.

Find:

- (13)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x)$  **2(G)**      (14)  $f(-5)$  **3(H)**      (15)  $f(-3)$  **4(I)**      (16)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1^-} f(x)$   **$\infty$ (J)**  
 (17)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1^+} f(x)$   **$-\infty$ (A)**      (18)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x)$   **$-2$ (C)**      (19)  $f(0)$   **$-2$ (C)**      (20)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x)$  **1(F)**  
 (21)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x)$  **3(H)**      (22)  $f(1)$  **3(H)**      (23)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x)$  **1(F)**      (24)  $f(2)$  **1(F)**  
 (25)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)$  **1(F)**