

Math 171 Practice Final Exam

1. Find the cosine of the angle between the lines given by $\mathbf{r}_1(t) = \langle 2t - 2, -t + 1 \rangle$ and $\mathbf{r}_2(t) = \langle 3t + 1, 2t + 5 \rangle$.

2. Find the following limits.

$$(a) \lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{4 - x}{2 - \sqrt{x}} \quad (b) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^4 \sin\left(\frac{2}{x}\right)$$

3. (a) State the definition of *derivative*, that is $f'(x) =$

(b) If $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$, find $f'(x)$ using the definition of derivative.

4. Find the equation of the line tangent to the graph of $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle \sin^{-1} t, e^{\pi t} \rangle$ at the point $(0, 1)$.

5. For each function f , find its derivative f' .

$$(a) f(x) = x \cos(x^2 - 1) \quad (b) f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{x} + 1}{\ln x} \quad (c) f(x) = \tan^3(e^{2x})$$

6. A spotlight on the ground shines on a wall 10 m away. If a woman 1.8 m tall walks from the spotlight toward the building at a speed of 2 m/s, how fast is her shadow on the building decreasing when she is 4 m from the building?

7. Let $f(x) = x \ln(x^2)$, $x > 0$. (a) Determine the intervals on which f is increasing or decreasing. (b) Determine the intervals on which f is concave up or down. (c) Find all local extreme values of f .

8. Find the point on the parabola $x + y^2 = 0$ that is closest to the point $(0, -3)$.

9. Suppose a particle travels along a straight line with velocity $v(t) = t^2 - 1$ at time t . Find its displacement and total distance traveled during the time interval $[0, 3]$.

10. Evaluate the integrals:

$$(a) \int \frac{\sin(\sqrt{x})}{\sqrt{x}} dx \quad (b) \int_{\ln(\frac{\pi}{4})}^{\ln(\frac{\pi}{3})} e^x \sec^2(e^x) dx$$