

Amherst College Department of Mathematics and Statistics

MATH 105 Test #3 (slightly modified)

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NAME:

Read This First!

- This is a closed-book examination. No books, notes, calculators, cell phones, communication devices of any sort, webpages, or other aids are permitted. Cell phones are to be out of sight.
- Please read each question carefully. Show **all** work clearly in the space provided.
- If you need addition space to do a problem, please use the back of the **previous** page.
- In order to receive full credit on a problem, solution methods must be complete, logical and understandable
- Answers must be clearly labeled.
- The exam consists of Questions 1–9, which total to 100 points.

Grading - For Instructor Use Only

Question:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total
Points:	12	10	16	14	16	20	12	100
Score:								

- 1. [12 points] Let $f(x) = 3x^5 20x^3$.
 - (a) Find the critical numbers of f(x).

(b) Test whether they are local maximums, local minimums, or neither.

2. [10 points] Consider a function g(x) with the property that g(2) = 3, g'(2) = 0, and g''(2) is some nonzero number. We are also given that g(x) has a local maximum when x = 2. Determine whether g''(2) positive is negative. Your solution should include an explanation (in words!) and a picture. Be sure to indicate how the words relate to the picture.

3. [16 points] The radius and height of a cylinder are changing with respect to time. The radius is increasing at a rate of 2 cm/sec, while the height is decreasing at a rate of 1 cm/sec. How fast is the volume of the cylinder changing at the instant of time when the radius is 10 cm and the height is 5 cm? (You may assume that the volume of a cylinder of radius r and height h is $V = \pi r^2 h$.)

4. [14 points] Find the absolute maximum and minimum values of the function

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

on the interval [0,3].

5. [16 points] Find where $g(x) = \frac{x}{(x+3)^2}$ is increasing and decreasing.

6. [20 points] The function $f(x) = \frac{1+x^2}{x^2-4}$ has first and second derivatives given by:

$$f'(x) = \frac{-10x}{(x^2 - 4)^2}, \qquad f''(x) = \frac{10(3x^2 + 4)}{(x^2 - 4)^3}.$$

(a) Use this information to determine where y = f(x) is increasing or decreasing, and find any local max(s) or local min(s).

(b) Use this information to determine where y = f(x) is concave up or concave down.

(c) Compute $\lim_{x\to\infty} f(x)$ and $\lim_{x\to-\infty} f(x)$. Use these values to identify any horizontal asymptotes of the graph y = f(x).

7. [12 points] The previous problem stated that $f(x) = \frac{1+x^2}{x^2-4}$ has derivatives

$$f'(x) = \frac{-10x}{(x^2 - 4)^2}, \qquad f''(x) = \frac{10(3x^2 + 4)}{(x^2 - 4)^3}.$$

Verify that these formulas are correct by computing f'(x) and f''(x) using the usual rules of differentiation.