

Calculus Contest

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Show all work. No Calculators.

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Section # _____

1. Find the derivative of $f(x) = x|x|^p$, where $p > 0$ is a real number. The answer should be written as a single formula. Is this function even or odd?

2. Calculate $\int_0^{\pi/2} \sqrt{1 + \sin x} \, dx$.

Hint: $1 = \sin^2 \frac{x}{2} + \cos^2 \frac{x}{2}$. (Or do it your way.)

3. For any positive integer n

$$n^2 = n + n + \dots + n,$$

where the sum on the right has n terms. Differentiating both sides,

$$2n = 1 + 1 + \dots + 1,$$

i.e.

$$2n = n.$$

Dividing by n ,

$$2 = 1.$$

Is there anything wrong with this argument? Explain.

4. Evaluate the limit

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \frac{|x + 1| - 1}{4 - x^2}.$$

Justify your answer.

5. (i) Let $g(x) = \int_0^x (x-t)f(t) dt$. Show that $g''(x) = f(x)$.

Hint: Break the integral into two pieces. (Or do it your way.)

(ii) Let $G(x) = \frac{1}{(n-1)!} \int_0^x (x-t)^{n-1} f(t) dt$. Evaluate the n -th derivative $G^{(n)}(x)$.

6. Evaluate the integral

$$\int x^3 \sin(x^2) dx.$$

7. (i) Does the series $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n}$ converge? Explain.

(ii) Does the series $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n} \left[\frac{(-1)^n}{\ln n} + 1 \right]$ converge? Explain.

(iii) State the limit comparison test. Will the test remain valid if one no longer requires that both series have positive terms? Explain.