



CALCULUS I  
FALL 2009

FINAL EXAM  
PRACTICE PROBLEMS 1

**Exercise 1.** Evaluate the following limits, if they exist.

a.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{3+x} - \sqrt{3}}{x}$       b.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} e^{1/x}$       c.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} (2x + |x - 3|)$

d.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \sqrt{x^2 + x + 1} + x$       e.  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 2} \frac{t^2 - 4}{t^3 - 8}$       f.  $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \theta}{\theta + \tan \theta}$

**Exercise 2.** Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ .

a.  $y = e^\pi$       b.  $y = \ln \left| \frac{x^2 - 4}{2x + 5} \right|$       c.  $y = e^{-x}(x^2 - 2x + x)$

d.  $y = \sqrt{\sin \sqrt{x}}$       e.  $y = e^{x \tan x}$       f.  $xy^4 + x^2y = x + 3y$

**Exercise 3.** A 10 foot ladder rests against a vertical wall. The base of the ladder begins to slide away from the wall at a rate of 2 ft/s.

- a. How fast is the top of the ladder falling when the base of the ladder is 6 ft from the wall?
- b. As the top of the ladder approaches the ground, what does its speed approach? Is this realistic? Why or why not?

**Exercise 4.** Find the local and absolute extreme values of  $f(x) = (x^2 + 2x)^3$  on the interval  $[-2, 1]$ .

**Exercise 5.** Carefully sketch the graph of  $y = e^{2x-x^2}$ .

**Exercise 6.** A metal storage tank with volume  $V$  is to be constructed in the shape of a right circular cylinder surmounted by a hemisphere. What dimensions will require the least amount of metal?