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C 1. $\frac{2001 + 2000}{2001 - 2000} = \frac{4001}{1} = 4001.$

A 2. The Squeeze Theorem has been applied.

D 3. $F'(-1) = f(-1) = 6(-1)^2 - 9(-1) + 2 = 17.$

A 4. Since highest exponent in denominator (3) exceeds highest exponent in numerator (2), limit will approach 0.

D 5. $g'(x) = 2x^3 - 3x^2 - 20x$. Set first derivative to 0:
 $0 = x(2x + 5)(x - 4)$ so extreme values exist at $x = -2.5$, 0, and 4. Test a value between 0 and 4 to determine that g is decreasing on (0,4) and therefore on (1,2).
 $g''(x) = 6x^2 - 6x - 20$. Set second derivative equal to 0 and use the quadratic formula to find roots: $x \approx -1.39$ or 2.39. Test in the interval to find that g is concave down on the interval (-1.39, 2.39) and therefore on (1,2).

D 6. $v(t) = d'(t) = 18t^2 - 28t$ and $v(1) = 18 - 28 = -10$. The question asked for speed, which is $|v(t)|$ or 10.

B 7. Rolle's Theorem.

C 8. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3x^6 + 2x^2 + 1}{x^{A+1}} = B$. Therefore:

$$B = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } 6 < (A+1) \\ 3 & \text{if } 6 = (A+1) \\ \infty & \text{if } 6 > (A+1) \end{cases} \text{ Only } (5,3) \text{ satisfies this condition.}$$

B 9. $\frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$. Differentiate: $\frac{2xdx}{4} + \frac{2ydy}{9} = 0$. Plug in

the point: $\frac{2(1)dx}{4} + \frac{2\left(\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)dy}{9} = 0$ and $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-\sqrt{3}}{2}$.

B 10. $x_1 = x_0 - \frac{h(x_0)}{h'(x_0)} = x_0 - \frac{10 - x_0^2}{-2x_0} = 3 - \frac{10 - 3^2}{-2(3)} = 3\frac{1}{6}$.

D 11. If the wound is completely healable, $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} W(t) = 0$. For choice A, B, and C, respectively, the limit diverges, does not exist, and is 3. Only for choice D is the limit 0.

B 12. We are looking for the point at which $f'(x) = \frac{f(x)}{x}$.

Test choice B: $A'(x) = \frac{f'(x)x - f(x)}{x^2} = 0$. Thus,

$$\frac{f'(x)x}{x^2} = \frac{f(x)}{x^2} \text{ Multiply both sides by } x: f'(x) = \frac{f(x)}{x}.$$

The graphs intersect at $A'(x) = 0$.

C 13. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (4 - 2/n) = 4 - 0 = 4$.

E 14. $w(x+h) \approx w(x) + w'(x)(h) = \sqrt{x} - 9 + \frac{h}{2\sqrt{x}}$.

$$w(100+2) \approx \sqrt{100} - 9 + \frac{2}{2\sqrt{100}} = 10 - 9 + \frac{1}{10} = 1\frac{1}{10}.$$

E 15. $f'(x) = -\sin x + \cos x$; $f'(.5\pi) = -1 + 0 = -1$
 $f''(x) = -\cos x - \sin x$; $f''(.5\pi) = 0 + -1 = -1$
 $f'''(x) = \sin x - \cos x$; $f'''(.5\pi) = 1 + 0 = 1$
 $f^{iv}(x) = \cos x + \sin x$; $f^{iv}(.5\pi) = 0 + 1 = 1$

The pattern repeats every fourth derivative, and the sum of the first four derivatives at .5 π is 0. Since 2000 is divisible by four, the summation

$$= f^{2001}\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = f'\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = -1.$$

D 16. $(g \circ h)'(2) = g'(h(x))h'(x)$. $g'(x) = 2x - 9$;
 $h'(x) = 12x^2 - 10x$. $h(2) = 4(2)^3 - 5(2)^2 = 12$.
 $h'(2) = 12(2)^2 - 10(2) = 28$.
 $g'(h(2)) = g'(12) = 2(12) - 9 = 15$. $15 \bullet 28 = 420$.

A 17. $V(x) = (10 - 2x)^2(x) =$

$$100x - 40x^2 + 4x^3.$$

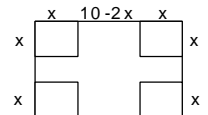
$$V'(x) = 100 - 80x + 12x^2$$

Set derivative equal to 0:

$$0 = 4(3x - 5)(x - 5). \text{ So}$$

$$x = \frac{5}{3} \text{ or } 5, \text{ but omit } x=5 \text{ since } 2x \text{ must be less than } 10.$$

(Check that this is a max with the second derivative.)



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C 18. Determine the distance between (1,0) and a point on the graph: $(x, x^2 - 2x)$. Distance=

$$\sqrt{(x-1)^2 + (x^2 - 2x)^2} = \sqrt{x^4 - 4x^3 + 5x^2 - 2x + 1}.$$

We can minimize the square of distance:

$D' = 4x^3 - 12x^2 + 10x - 2$. Set derivative to 0, and determine that $x=1$ is a root. In the parabola, if $x=1$, $y=1-2=-1$ and the distance from (1,-1) to (1,0) is 1.

B 19. $g'(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$ so $g'(5) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-(.5)^2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{.75}} = \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3}$.

A 20. $f(x) = \frac{x(x+6)(x-4)}{(x-4)} = x^2 + 6x$. $f'(x) = 2x + 6$ and $f'(-3) = 0$. Since $f''(x) = 2$, all extrema are minima.

D 21. A: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5^+} f(x)$ does not exist. B: There is a hole at $f(5)$ (does not exist). C: The graph is V-shaped with $x=5$ as the turning point, so no derivative exists. D: The graph is both continuous and differentiable at $x=5$.

C 22. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \sqrt{x} = 0$ so we substitute: $\frac{0^5 - 2(0) + 1}{6(0)^2 + 3(0) + 2} = \frac{1}{2}$.

A 23. The MVT states that

$$f'(c) = \frac{f(4) - f(2)}{4 - 2} = \frac{40 - 2}{2} = 19.$$

D 24. $p'(x) = \ln(10)10^x$; $p''(x) = \ln(10)\ln(10)10^x$. This pattern will continue such that $p^n(x) = (\ln(10))^n p(x)$.

A 25. The line's slope is $\frac{4}{3}$, which is also dy/dx for the circle.

Differentiate the equation of the circle:

$$2(x-3)dx + 2(y+7)dy = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{3-x}{7+y} = \frac{dy}{dx}.$$

Plug the point (A,B) into the equation and set it equal to

the line's slope: $\frac{4}{3} = \frac{3-A}{7+B} \Rightarrow 4B + 3A = -19$. Plug the

point (A,B) into the line: $4A - 3B = -2B$

$\Rightarrow B = 4A$. Substitute into the last equation:

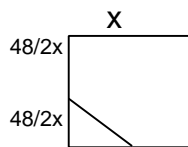
$$4(4A) + 3A = -19 \Rightarrow A = -1, B = -4. \text{ Sum is } -5.$$

C 26. Limit = $\frac{1-3+2}{3-3-2+2} = \frac{0}{0}$. Use l'Hopital's theorem:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{-e^{1-x} - 3p \sin(px) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}}{9x^2 + \frac{3}{x^2} - 2 - \frac{4}{x^3}}. \text{ Plug in}$$

$$x=1: \frac{-1-0+1}{9+3-2-4} = \frac{0}{6} = 0.$$

C 27.



Distance between midpoints:

$$\sqrt{\left(\frac{48}{2x}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^2} = \sqrt{\frac{576}{x^2} + \frac{x^2}{4}}.$$

We can minimize the distance squared: $D' = \frac{-1152}{x^3} + \frac{x}{2}$. Set

first derivative to zero and solve to get $x = 4\sqrt{3}$ and

$\frac{48}{2x} = 4\sqrt{3}$ (a square!). (Use second derivative to verify

the value is a min.) Find perimeter: $4 \cdot 4\sqrt{3} = 16\sqrt{3}$.

A 28. Note that if $f(0) = 0$, D (and therefore the product ABCD) must be 0. By the way, $B = \frac{3}{2}$ and $C = -4$.

A 29. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} p(x)q(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} p(x) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} q(x)$. By definition, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} p(x) = e$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} q(x) = \ln 10$ so product = $e \ln 10$.

A 30. Cylinder: $V(r, h) = \pi r^2 h \Rightarrow V'(r, h) = 2\pi r h dr + \pi r^2 dh$. We know $r=4$, $dr=0$, and $dh=.3$: $V' = 0 + \pi(16)(.3) = 4.8\pi$.

Ball: $V(r) = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3 \Rightarrow V'(r) = 4\pi r^2 dr$. We know

$dr=-.2$ and $r=3-.2t$: $V' = -.8\pi(3-.2t)^2$. We are looking for the point at which the (absolute value) of the change is V is the same for both figures:

$$4.8\pi = .8\pi(3-.2t)^2 \Rightarrow (3-.2t)^2 = 6 \Rightarrow 3-.2t = \pm\sqrt{6}.$$

From here, $t \approx 2.75, t \approx 27.25$ so $[Z] = 2$.

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2. A
3. D
4. A
5. D
6. D
7. B
8. C
9. B
10. B
11. D
12. B
13. C
14. E
15. E
16. D
17. A
18. C
19. B
20. A
21. D
22. C
23. A
24. D
25. A
26. C
27. C
28. A
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