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The problems count as marked. The total number of points available is 145. Throughout this test, **show your work**.

1. (30 points) Let  $f(x) = 3x^4 + 4x^3 - 72x^2$ .

(a) Find the critical points of  $f$ .

**Solution:** First note that  $f'(x) = 12x^3 + 12x^2 - 144x$ , which factors into  $12x(x+4)(x-3)$ , so the critical points of  $f$  are 0,  $-4$  and 3.

(b) Build the sign chart for  $f'(x)$ .

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(c) Use this information in part (b) to find the intervals over which  $f$  is increasing.

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(d) Discuss the concavity of  $f$ .

**Solution:** To discuss the concavity of  $f$ , we must build the sign chart for  $f''(x)$ .  $f''(x) = 36x^2 + 24x - 144$ . Using the quadratic formula, we find that  $f''(x) = 0$  has two roots,  $x = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{148}}{6}$ . So  $x \approx 1.69$ ,  $x \approx -2.36$ . Since the graph of  $f''$  is a parabola which opens upwards, we can say that  $f$  is concave downward between these two values and upwards on the other two intervals.

(e) Find  $f(1)$  and  $f'(1)$ . Use this information to find the line tangent to  $f$  at  $(1, f(1))$  in slope-intercept form.

**Solution:** First note that  $f(1) = -63$ . Since  $f'(x) = 12x^3 + 12x^2 - 144x$ , it follows that  $f'(1) = -120$ . So the tangent line is  $y + 63 = -120(x - 1) = -120x + 120$ , so the line in slope-intercept form is  $y = -120x + 57$ .

2. (35 points) Consider the table of values given for the functions  $f$ ,  $f'$ ,  $g$ , and  $g'$ :

$x$	$f(x)$	$f'(x)$	$g(x)$	$g'(x)$
0	2	1	6	2
1	4	6	2	5
2	6	4	3	4
3	1	2	5	3
4	3	5	2	6
5	5	3	4	1
6	0	3	2	4

- (a) Let  $L(x) = 2f(x) \cdot g(x)$ . Compute  $L'(5)$ .

**Solution:**  $L'(x) = 2(f'(x)g(x) + g'(x)f(x))$ , so  $L'(5) = 2(f'(5)g(5) + g'(5)f(5)) = 2(3 \cdot 4 + 1 \cdot 5) = 34$ .

- (b) Let  $U(x) = f(3x) \div g(2x)$ . Compute  $U(2)$  and  $U'(2)$ .

**Solution:**  $U(2) = f(6) \div g(4) = 0$ . By the chain and quotient rules,  $U'(x) = \frac{f'(3x) \cdot 3 \cdot g(2x) - g'(2x) \cdot 2 \cdot f(3x)}{(g(2x))^2}$ , so  $U'(2) = \frac{f'(6) \cdot 3 \cdot g(4) - g'(4) \cdot 2 \cdot f(6)}{(g(4))^2} = \frac{3 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 - 6 \cdot 2 \cdot 0}{4} = \frac{18 - 0}{4} = 9/2$ .

- (c) Let  $K(x) = g(x + f(x))$ . Compute  $K(3)$  and  $K'(3)$ .

**Solution:**  $K(2) = g(4) + f(2) = 2 + 6 = 8$  and  $K'(2) = 2g'(4) + f'(2) = 12 + 4 = 16$ .

- (d) Let  $V(x) = f(g(f(x)))$ . Compute  $V'(3)$ .

**Solution:** Again, by the chain rule,  $V'(x) = f'(g(2x)) \cdot g'(2x) \cdot 2$ , so  $V'(3) = f'(g(6)) \cdot g'(6) \cdot 2 = f'(2) \cdot g'(6) \cdot 2 = 4 \cdot 4 \cdot 2 = 32$ .

- (e) Let  $W(x) = g(x^2 - 1)$ . Compute  $W'(2)$ .

**Solution:** By the chain rule,  $W'(x) = g'(x^2 - 1) \cdot 2x$  so  $W'(2) = g'(3) \cdot 2 \cdot 2 = 3 \cdot 4 = 12$ .

3. (20 points) Recall that  $\frac{d}{dx}e^{g(x)} = e^{g(x)} \cdot g'(x)$ . Find the intervals over which the function  $f(x) = x^2e^{2x}$  is increasing. Write your answer in interval notation.

**Solution:** Use the product rule to get  $f'(x) = 2xe^{2x} + x^2e^{2x} \cdot 2 = e^{2x}(2x^2 + 2x) = e^{2x} \cdot 2x \cdot (x+1)$ . Build the sign chart for  $f'$  to learn that  $f'(x)$  is negative only when  $0 < x < 1$ . So  $f$  is increasing on both  $(-\infty, -1]$  and  $[0, \infty)$ .

4. (15 points) Two positive numbers  $x$  and  $y$  are related by  $2x + 3y = 16$ . What is the largest possible product  $xy$  could be, and what pair  $(x, y)$  achieves that product? Note that if  $y = 2$ , then  $x = 5$  and the product  $xy = 10$ . If  $y = 4$ , then  $x = 2$  and the product is 8.

**Solution:** Solve  $2x + 3y = 16$  for  $y$  to get  $f(x) = xy = x\left(\frac{16-2x}{3}\right) = \frac{16x-2x^2}{3}$ . So  $f'(x) = (16 - 4x)/3$  and  $x = 4$  is the only critical point. So  $x = 4$  and  $y = 8/3$ . It follows that the maximum value of  $xy$  is  $4 \cdot 8/3 = 32/3$ .

5. (15 points) Two positive numbers  $x$  and  $y$  are related by  $xy = 10$ . What is the smallest possible value  $6x + 3y$  could have?

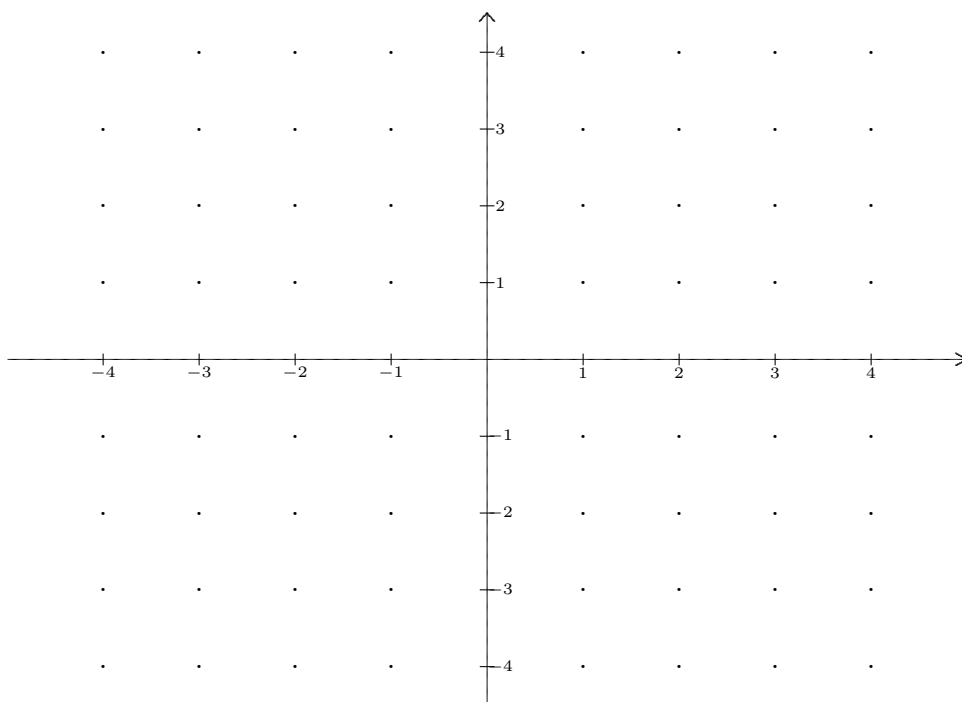
**Solution:** Note that  $y = 10/x$ , so the sum to be maximized is  $f(x) = 6x + 3 \cdot 10/x$ . Taking the derivative, we have  $f'(x) = 6 - 30/x^2$  which is zero when  $x = \sqrt{5}$ . Looking at the sign chart for  $f'$ , we see that  $f'$  is negative on the left of  $\sqrt{5}$  and positive to the right of it. Therefore the smallest possible value of  $6x + 3y$  is  $6\sqrt{5} + 3 \cdot 2\sqrt{5} = 12\sqrt{5}$ .

6. (30 points) Consider the function

$$r(x) = \frac{(x^2 - 4)(6x)}{(3x - 6)(x + 1)(x - 3)}.$$

Use the Test Interval Technique to find the sign chart of  $r(x)$ . Find the zeros and the horizontal and vertical asymptotes, and sketch the graph of  $r$ . Your graph must be consistent with the information you find in the sign chart.

**Solution:**



**Solution:** Notice first that  $r$  is not in factored form. Factoring reveals that the numerator and denominator have common factors. Thus

$$r(x) = \frac{(x - 2)(x + 2)(6x)}{3(x - 2)(x - 3)(x + 1)}.$$

We can remove the common factor  $x - 2$  with the understanding that we are (very slightly) enlarging the domain of  $r$ :  $r(x) = \frac{(x+2)(6x)}{3(x-3)(x+1)}$ . Next find the branch points. These are the points at which  $r$  can change signs. Precisely, they are the zeros of the numerator and of the denominator. They are  $0, -1, -2, 3$ . The horizontal asymptote is  $y = 6/3 = 2$ , the vertical asymptotes

are  $x = 3$  and  $x = -1$  and the zeros of  $r$  are  $x = 0$  and  $x = -2$ . Again we select test points and find the sign of  $f$  at of these points to get the sign chart.

