

# PRACTICE for Exam 2

No calculators allowed. You must show work at all times in order to receive full credit.

1. Use logarithmic differentiation to find the derivative:

$$f(x) = \frac{e^{3x}(x+1)^6(x^3-2)^4}{\sqrt{2x-7}}$$

2. (a) Find *all* values for  $x$  which make the equation true:  $x \ln(x+1) = 2x$

(b) Write the following expression in the form  $2^{ax+b}$  for some  $a$  and  $b$ :  $\frac{16^x}{2 \cdot 4^{2x}}$

3. Find  $g'(1)$ , where  $g(x) = e^{3x^2-2x+1}$

4. For the following function, determine the  $x$ - and  $y$ -value of each critical point, and then use the first or second derivative test to determine whether each point is a maximum, minimum, or neither:

$$f(x) = \frac{x}{\ln(x)}$$

5. To make killer robots, one uses the radioactive isotope Halloweenium-X, which has a decay constant of  $\lambda = .002$ .

(a) What is the half-life of Halloweenium-X?

(b) What differential equation is satisfied by the decay of Halloweenium-X?

(c) Use the differential equation to answer the question: how much Halloweenium-X is in a sample which is decaying at the rate of 4 grams per year?

6. A colony of flesh-eating zombies feeds on the living population of Earth and grows at a rate proportional to its size. (As with all zombie colonies) it starts with just one person, and after one year there are 2,500 zombies.

(a) Find the growth constant  $k$  of the zombie colony.

(b) Find an equation  $P(t)$  which describes the number of zombies in the colony at time  $t$ .

(c) Using this equation, how many years until the colony reaches 10,000 zombies?

7. An evil collector sells his collection of cursed talismans for \$4,000, deposits the earnings into his bank account, then abruptly disappears and is never heard from again. The account accrues interest compounded continuously for 100 years before someone discovers it, with a balance of \$120,000. What was the annual interest rate for this bank account?

8. The concentration of a drug in the bloodstream of a patient,  $t$  hours after injection, is given by:

$$f(t) = 5(e^{-.2t} - e^{-2t}) \text{ units}$$

At what rate is the drug concentration changing after 4 hours?