

Math 220 Quiz 4

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Name: **Answer Key**

1. For which real numbers a is the following function continuous at a ? For which a is it not continuous at a ?

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x + 4 & \text{when } x \geq 3 \\ x^2 + 1 & \text{when } 3 \geq x \geq -3 \\ (2x + 9)^2 & \text{when } -3 \geq x \end{cases}$$

$f(x)$ is continuous
on the intervals
 $(-\infty, -3)$, $(-3, 3)$, and $(3, \infty)$
since it is a polynomial
on each interval,

$f(x)$ is continuous at 3
since $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} f(x) = 10 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} f(x) = f(3)$
 $f(x)$ is not continuous at -3
since $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3^-} f(x) = 9 \neq 10 = \lim_{x \rightarrow -3^+} f(x)$

2. Find the derivative of $f(x) = (x^2 + 1)^5 (2x + 4)^7$.

$$f'(x) = 5(x^2 + 1)^4 (2x)(2x + 4)^7 + (x^2 + 1)^5 7(2x + 4)^6 \cdot 2$$

OR

$$\text{if } f(x) = (x^2 + 1)(2x + 4), \text{ then } f'(x) = (x^2 + 1)2 + 2x(2x + 4)$$

3. Find the derivative of $f(x) = \frac{2x+4}{\sqrt{x^2+9}}$.

$$f'(x) = \frac{\sqrt{x^2+9}(2) - (2x+4)\frac{1}{2}(x^2+9)^{-\frac{1}{2}}(2x)}{x^2+9}$$

OR

$$\text{if } f(x) = \frac{2x+4}{x^2+9}, \text{ then } f'(x) = \frac{(x^2+9)2 - (2x+4)(2x)}{(x^2+9)^2}$$