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**Amherst College**  
**DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS**  
**Math 121**  
**Midterm Exam #3**  
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- This is a closed-book examination. No books, notes, calculators, cell phones, communication devices of any sort, or other aids are permitted.
  
- You need *not* simplify algebraically complicated answers. However, numerical answers such as  $\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right)$ ,  $4^{\frac{3}{2}}$ ,  $e^{\ln 4}$ ,  $\ln(e^7)$ ,  $e^{3\ln 3}$ , or  $\cosh(\ln 3)$  should be simplified.
  
- Please *show* all of your work and *justify* all of your answers. (You may use the backs of pages for additional work space.)
  
- If you actually read these directions, draw a smiley face at the bottom of this page!

Problem	Score	Possible Points
1		12
2		8
3		12
4		12
5		16
6		20
7		20
Total		100

**1.** [12 Points] Find the **Interval** and **Radius** of Convergence for the following power series. Analyze carefully and with full justification.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (3x + 2)^n}{n 5^{n+1}}$$

**2.** [8 Points] Find the **Taylor polynomial of degree 3** for  $f(x) = \cosh x$  centered at  $a = \ln 2$ .

**3.** [12 Points] Find the **MacLaurin series** representation for each of the following functions. State the Radius of Convergence for each series. Your answer should be in sigma notation  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty}$  .

(a)  $f(x) = x^2 e^{-5x}$

(b)  $f(x) = x^7 \sin(x^3)$

(c)  $f(x) = \frac{1}{(1-x)^2}$

4. [12 Points] Use Power Series to estimate  $\int_0^1 x^3 \ln(1+x^2) dx$  with error less than  $\frac{1}{10}$ .

Justify in words that your error is indeed less than  $\frac{1}{10}$ .

5. [16 Points] Find the **sum** for each of the following series.

$$(a) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (\pi^2)^n}{9^n (2n)!}$$

$$(b) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n 9^n}{5^n n!}$$

$$(c) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \pi^{2n}}{4^{2n} (2n+1)!}$$

$$(d) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{2n+1} = 1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{7} + \frac{1}{9} + \dots$$

**6.** [20 Points] Volumes of Revolution

(a) Consider the region bounded by  $y = e^{2x}$ ,  $x = 0$ , and  $y = 3$ . Rotate this region about the horizontal line  $y = -1$ . Set-up, **BUT DO NOT EVALUATE!!**, the integral to compute the volume of the resulting solid using the Washer Method. Sketch the solid, along with one of the approximating washers.

(b) Consider the region bounded by  $y = e^x$ ,  $y = \ln x$ ,  $x = 1$  and  $x = 5$ . Rotate this region about the vertical line  $x = 7$ . Set-up, **BUT DO NOT EVALUATE!!**, the integral to compute the volume of the resulting solid using the Cylindrical Shells Method. Sketch the solid, along with one of the approximating shells.

**6.** (Continued) Volumes of Revolution

(c) Consider the region bounded by  $y = \arctan x$ ,  $y = 0$ ,  $x = 0$  and  $x = 1$ . Rotate this region about the  $y$ -axis. **COMPUTE** the volume of the resulting solid using the Cylindrical Shells Method. Sketch the solid, along with one of the approximating shells.



**7.** [20 Points] Consider the Parametric Curve represented by  $x = t - e^t$  and  $y = 1 - 4e^{\frac{t}{2}}$ .

(a) **Compute**  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  for this curve when  $t = \ln 4$ .

(b) **Compute** the **arclength** of this parametric curve for  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ .

(c) Set-up, **BUT DO NOT EVALUATE!!** the definite integral representing the **surface area** obtained by rotating this curve about the  **$x$ -axis**, for  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ .

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# OPTIONAL BONUS

Do not attempt these unless you are completely done with the rest of the exam.

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**OPTIONAL BONUS #1** Compute the **sum**  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n}{5^n}$

**OPTIONAL BONUS #2** Compute the **sum**  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^3}{2^n n!}$

**OPTIONAL BONUS #3** Compute the MacLaurin Series for  $f(x) = \frac{x}{(1-2x)^3}$  and state its Radius of Convergence.