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QUESTION # 1

The convex region bounded by the x-axis and the lines with equations $y = mx + 4$, $x = 1$, and $x = 4$ has an area of 7. Find the value of m .

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QUESTION # 3

Evaluate: $\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \tan^4 x \sec^4 x \, dx$

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QUESTION # 2

What is the work (in ft-lbs.) done by a force (in lbs.), propelling a particle along the x-axis from $x = 1$ to $x = 4$ (in feet), if $F = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$?

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QUESTION # 4

A kite flies according to the parametric equations $y = \frac{-3}{64}t(t-128)$ and $x = \frac{t}{8}$, where t is measured in seconds and $0 < t \leq 90$. At what rate is the kite rising at $t = 32$ seconds?

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QUESTION # 5

If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n x^k = 2$, then x equals?

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QUESTION # 7

A tank of 100 gallons of brine whose concentration is 2.5 lbs. of salt per gallon. Brine containing 2 lbs. of salt per gallon runs into the tank at a rate of 5 gallons/minute and the mixture (kept uniform) runs out at the same rate. What is the amount of salt in the tank as a function of time?

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QUESTION # 6

Evaluate: $\int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (x^3 \cos x + 2x + 3) dx$

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QUESTION # 8

For a certain curve, $\frac{dy}{dx} = \sqrt{xy - 12 - 3x + 4y}$.

The curve passes through the points $(-3, 3)$ and $(12, a)$. Find a .

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QUESTION 9A

The numbers $1, 3 = 1 + 2, 6 = 1 + 2 + 3, \dots$ are examples of triangular numbers. More generally, a positive integer is a triangular number if it can be written as the sum of the first n consecutive positive integers for some value of n . How many of the positive integers $1, 2, 3, \dots, 1999$ are triangular numbers?

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QUESTION 9B

Find the value(s) of x for which the function

$$f(x) = \ln\left[\ln\left(2x^2 - 16x + 33\right)\right] \text{ is discontinuous.}$$

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QUESTION 10A

Find, in simplest fractional form, the cosine of the acute angle formed by the intersection of the asymptotes of the hyperbola with the equation:

$$16x^2 - 25y^2 + 32x + 100y = 484$$

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QUESTION 10B

Find all real values of x which satisfy $x^{(x+1)^2} = x^{16}$

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QUESTION 11A

How many distinct permutations of all the letters in the word PHOTOGRAPH are there such that the three vowels are adjacent and the seven consonants are also adjacent?

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QUESTION 11B

Find the maximum value of the derivative of

$$f(x) = -2x^3 + 12x^2 + 30x + 21$$

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QUESTION 11C

The graphs of $y = 6 \sin x$ and $y = -3 \sin x$ intersect infinitely many times on the x -axis, bounding regions of equal areas. Find the area of one of these regions.

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QUESTION 11D

A cylindrical can is undergoing a transformation in which the radius and height are varying continuously with time t . The radius is increasing at 4 inches/minute while the height is decreasing at 10 inches/minute. At what rate is the volume changing when the radius is 3 inches and the height is 5 inches?

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QUESTION 12A

Let R be the region in the first quadrant that lies below both of the curves $y = 3x^2$ and $y = \frac{3}{x}$ and to the left of the line $x = k$ where $k > 1$. Find the area of R as a function of k .

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QUESTION 12B

A spherical tank of radius 4 feet contains water to a depth of one foot. How much water must be added (exactly) to increase the depth by 1 foot?

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QUESTION 12C

Let f and g be functions defined on the positive integers and related in the following way:

$$f(n) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } n = 1 \\ 2f(n-1), & \text{if } n \neq 1 \end{cases}$$

$$g(n) = \begin{cases} 3g(n+1), & \text{if } n \neq 3 \\ f(n), & \text{if } n = 3 \end{cases}$$

What is the value of $g(1)$?

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QUESTION 12D

A particle moves along the curve $y = x^3 + 2$. Find the coordinates of all points on the curve at which the ordinate is changing 12 times as quickly as the abscissa.