

## Applications of Derivatives Unit Assignment

### Section A

1. Find two positive numbers whose sum is 36 and the square of one number plus twice the square of the other number is a minimum.
2. A farmer wants to fence a rectangular enclosure along a straight river. It is not necessary to fence the side bordering the river. The farmer wants to use a minimum amount of fencing material to enclose an area of  $3200 \text{ m}^2$ . What dimensions should the rectangular field be?

3. Find the points on  $y = 4 - x^2$  that are closets to the point (0,2).  $d = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}$

## Section B

1. The motion of a particle on the x-axis is described by the position function  $s(t) = 2t^3 - 21t^2 + 60t$ ,  $t \geq 0$  where t is measured in seconds and s in metres.
  - a) When is the particle at rest?
  - b) Sketch a graph to show the displacement of the particle for the first 6 seconds and find the total **distance** traveled by the particle during the first 6 seconds.

2. The position of a particle, in metres at time  $t$  seconds, is given by  $s(t) = 2t^3 - 48t^2$ . Determine the velocity of a particle when its acceleration is zero.
3. The position function  $s = \sqrt{t^2 + 1}$ , gives the displacement  $s$  in metres, as a function of time  $t$ , in seconds.
- a) Find the velocity and acceleration as functions of  $t$ .
- b) Find the acceleration when  $t = \sqrt{3}$  seconds, rounded to the nearest hundredth.

## Section C

1.  $N = -0.025m^2 + 12m + 3500$  represents the number of insects in a closed environment as a function of the amount of food, in grams, provided.
  - a) What is the rate of change of number of insects with respect to the amount of food when 200 g is provided?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  - b) Is the population of the insects increasing or decreasing when 200 g of food is provided. Use your answer from a) to justify your response.
  
2. A small stone is dropped into a pond creating a circle with a radius change of 5 cm/s. Determine the change in area of a circle, with respect to its radius, 4 seconds after the stone hits the water. [ $A = \pi r^2$  Express your answer in terms of  $\pi$  .]

3. A lady, 5.5 feet tall, is walking away from a lamppost that is 22 feet high. The lady is 12 feet from the lamppost and walking at a rate of 4.4 feet/second. At what rate is her shadow increasing? [Round your answer to the nearest tenth feet/second.]



## Section D

1. The length of a rectangle is increasing at a rate of  $3\text{ cm/s}$  and the width is decreasing at a rate of  $2\text{ cm/s}$ . At what rate is the area of the rectangle changing when the length is  $40\text{ cm}$  and the width is  $20\text{ cm}$ ?

2. Gas is escaping from a spherical hot air balloon at a rate of  $1.6 \frac{m^3}{min}$ . How fast is the surface area,  $SA$ , shrinking when the radius is 4.0 meters?  $V = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$  and  $SA = 4\pi r^2$



3. Sand pouring from a conveyor belt at a rate of  $0.75 \frac{m^3}{\text{min}}$  and forms a conical pile. The radius of the pile is always  $\frac{3}{5}$  of the height.

At what rate is the height of the pile growing 10 minutes after the pouring starts?

The volume of a cone is given by:  $V = \frac{1}{3} \pi r^2 h$

