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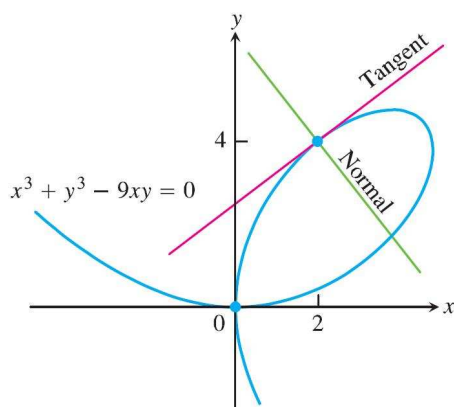
Instructions: This paper has **10** questions.

Attempt **ALL** questions in this paper.

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1. Show that the straight line $\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} = 2$ touches the curve $\left(\frac{x}{a}\right)^n + \left(\frac{y}{b}\right)^n = 2$ tangentially at (a, b) , for any integer $n > 2$. [5 points]
2. Sketch the graph $y = \frac{x^2 + 4}{2x}$. [15 points]
3. Find all the eigenvalues and the associated eigen-vectors of $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$. [10 points]
4. Find the equation of the tangent and the normal to the folium of Descartes $x^3 + y^3 - 9xy = 0$ at $(2, 4)$. [10 points]



5. Evaluate $\int_{-1}^1 3x^2 \sqrt{x^3 + 1} dx$. [5 points]
6. Evaluate $\int \frac{2x^3 - 4x^2 - x - 3}{x^2 - 2x - 3} dx$. [10 points]
7. Consider $f(x) = \frac{1}{x \cdot [\ln(x)]^2}$ for $x \geq 2$.
 - (a) Find $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_2^n f(x) dx$. [10 points]
 - (b) Determine if $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} f(n)$ is convergent or not. [5 points]
8. Let A and B be square matrices with the same size.
 - (a) Give an example in which $(A + B)^2 \neq A^2 + 2AB + B^2$. [5 points]
 - (b) Give a valid expression for $(A + B)^2$ for all choices of A and B . [5 points]

9. Consider a 9×9 lower triangular matrix A ,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & 0 \\ a_{91} & a_{92} & \cdots & a_{99} \end{bmatrix}.$$

(a) Find the determinant of A in terms of a_{ij} . **[5 points]**

(b) State the condition in terms of a_{ij} that A is not invertible. **[5 points]**

10. Solve the homogeneous system $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{0}$ with

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & -2 & 0 \\ -2 & 3 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

and describe the solution space (e.g. no solution, point solution, line solution, or plane solution etc.). **[10 points]**

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