

Problem 1: (8 points) (1) Use the definition of the derivative to find $f'(x)$ for the function $f(x) = \frac{1}{x+1}$.

(2) Find the **slope of the tangent** line to the curve $y = \frac{x^2 + \sqrt{x} + 1}{x}$ at $x = 1$.

Problem 2: (8 points) Find the $\frac{dy}{dx}$ For each of the following functions:

(1) $y = \frac{x^2 + 3}{(x^3 + x)} + \pi^3$

$$(2) y = u^2 + u \quad \text{and} \quad u = x + \frac{1}{x}$$

Problem 3: (8 points) (1) Find the rate of change in the volume V of a sphere with respect to the radius r when

$$r = 7. \quad (\text{Note that } V = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3)$$

(2) An object is thrown up from the top of a building so that its distance (in feet) from the ground is $s(t) = 32t - 2t^2 + 72$, find the velocity of the object when it hits the ground.