

NAME: SOLUTION

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Quiz 6

1. [5 pts.] Find the critical numbers of the function:

$$f(x) = \frac{2x}{8x^2 + 9}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{2 \cdot (8x^2 + 9) - 2x \cdot 16x}{(8x^2 + 9)^2} = \frac{-16x^2 + 18}{(8x^2 + 9)^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bullet f'(x) = 0 &\Leftrightarrow -16x^2 + 18 = 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow 16x^2 = 18 \\ &\Leftrightarrow x^2 = \frac{9}{8} \end{aligned}$$

$f'(x)$ is well defined for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

The solutions are $x = \pm \frac{3}{2\sqrt{2}} = \pm \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{4}$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\text{Critical numbers: } -\frac{3\sqrt{2}}{4}, \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{4}}$$

2. [5 pts.] Find the critical numbers of the function:

$$f(x) = 5x^{2/3} + 9x^{5/3}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{10}{3}x^{-1/3} + \frac{45}{3}x^{2/3} = \frac{1}{3}x^{-1/3}(10 + 45x) = \frac{10 + 45x}{3\sqrt[3]{x}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bullet f'(x) = 0 &\Leftrightarrow 10x + 45 = 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow x = -\frac{10}{45} = -\frac{2}{9} \end{aligned}$$

$f'(x)$ is not well defined for $x=0$ (which is in the domain)

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\text{Critical numbers: } 0, -\frac{2}{9}}$$