

Name (print) _____ Discussion hour (T Th ___)

1. (8 pts.) Let $f(x) = \sqrt{x^2 + 2}$ and $g(x) = x^5 + 3$. Find:

a) $(f \circ g)(x)$; **Solution:** $(f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x)) = \sqrt{g(x)^2 + 2} = \sqrt{(x^5 + 3)^2 + 2}$. Thus

$$\boxed{(f \circ g)(x) = \sqrt{(x^5 + 3)^2 + 2}.} \quad 4 \text{ points.}$$

b) $(g \circ g)(x)$. **Solution:** $(g \circ g)(x) = g(g(x)) = g(x)^5 + 3 = (x^5 + 3)^5 + 3$. Thus

$$\boxed{(g \circ g)(x) = (x^5 + 3)^5 + 3.} \quad 4 \text{ points.}$$

(Do *not* simplify.)

2. (12 pts.) A certain population grew exponentially at the annual rate of 1.92%. Initially, in 1928, the population was 194.

a) Let $P(t)$ be the population at time t years ($t = 0$ in 1928). Determine the function $P(t)$. **Solution:** $P(t) = P(0)\left(1 + \frac{1.92}{100}\right)^t = P(0)(1 + .0192)^t = 194(1.0192)^t$. Thus

$$\boxed{P(t) = 194(1.0192)^t.} \quad 4 \text{ points.}$$

b) Find the time it took the population to double. (Express your answer in terms of the natural logarithm). **Solution:** $2P(0) = P(t) = P(0)(1.0192)^t$ so $2 = (1.0192)^t$.

Taking natural logarithms of both sides we have $\ln 2 = t(\ln 1.0192)$ so $t = \frac{\ln 2}{\ln 1.0192}$.

4 points.

c) Find the *percentage continuous* growth rate. (Express your answer in terms of the natural logarithm). **Solution:** $P(0)(1.0192)^t = P(t) = P(0)e^{kt}$ for some real number k . With $t = 1$ we have $1.0267 = e^k$. Therefore $\ln 1.0192 = \ln e^k = k \ln e = k$. Thus

$$\boxed{k = \ln 1.0192.} \quad 4 \text{ points.}$$

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1. (8 pts.) Let $f(x) = \sqrt{x^3 + 5}$ and $g(x) = x^7 + 4$. Find:

a) $(f \circ g)(x)$; **Solution:** $(f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x)) = \sqrt{g(x)^3 + 5} = \sqrt{(x^7 + 4)^3 + 5}$. Thus

$$\boxed{(f \circ g)(x) = \sqrt{(x^7 + 4)^3 + 5}.} \quad 4 \text{ points.}$$

b) $(g \circ g)(x)$. **Solution:** $(g \circ g)(x) = g(g(x)) = g(x)^7 + 4 = (x^7 + 4)^7 + 4$. Thus

$$\boxed{(g \circ g)(x) = (x^7 + 4)^7 + 4.} \quad 4 \text{ points.}$$

(Do *not* simplify.)

2. (12 pts.) A certain population grew exponentially at the annual rate of 2.76%. Initially, in 1892, the population was 251.

a) Let $P(t)$ be the population at time t years ($t = 0$ in 1892). Determine the function

$P(t)$. **Solution:** $P(t) = P(0)\left(1 + \frac{2.76}{100}\right)^t = P(0)(1 + .0276)^t = 251(1.0276)^t$. Thus

$$\boxed{P(t) = 251(1.0276)^t.} \quad 4 \text{ points.}$$

b) Find the time it took the population to double. (Express your answer in terms of the natural logarithm). **Solution:** $2P(0) = P(t) = P(0)(1.0276)^t$ so $2 = (1.0276)^t$.

Taking natural logarithms of both sides we have $\ln 2 = t(\ln 1.0276)$ so $t = \frac{\ln 2}{\ln 1.0276}$.

4 points.

c) Find the *percentage continuous* growth rate. (Express your answer in terms of the natural logarithm). **Solution:** $P(0)(1.0276)^t = P(t) = P(0)e^{kt}$ for some real number k . With $t = 1$ we have $1.0276 = e^k$. Therefore $\ln 1.0276 = \ln e^k = k \ln e = k$. Thus

$$\boxed{k = \ln 1.0276.} \quad 4 \text{ points.}$$