

# Maple Competency Quiz I (Version A)

**Objective** To assess your ability to perform some of the fundamentalals of Maple, as introduced in the labs for the first half of this course.

**Directions**

- Prepare a Word document, or Maple worksheet, containing the answers to the following questions.
- Be sure to clearly label your work, and delete all extraneous work that is not relevant to your final answers.

**Questions** Let  $f(x) = x^2 \sin(x) \cos(x) + x^{\sin x}$  and  $h(x) = \frac{x^3 + x^2 - x + 2}{x^2 + 5x + 6}$ .

- (1) Define the function  $f$  as a mapping.  
HINT: See the Introduction to Maple and Scaling the Graph of a Function Labs.
- (2) Define the derivative of  $f$ ,  $f'$ , as a mapping.  
HINT: See the Graphical Understanding of Limits
- (3) What is the numerical value of  $f(x)$  when  $x = 3.11$   
HINT: See the Introduction to Maple Lab.
- (4) Find the smallest positive number  $x$  that satisfies  $f(x) = 4$ . (Give your answer as a floating-point number.)  
HINT: See the Introduction to Maple Lab.
- (5) Plot  $y = f(x)$  and  $y = f'(x)$  on the domain  $[0, 10]$  with range  $[-20, 20]$ .  
HINT: Be sure your plot distinguishes the appearance of the two curves.
- (6) Define  $m_1 = x^4 - \frac{1}{x}$  and  $m_2 = x^3 - 17x + 2$  as Maple expressions. Define the equation EQ to be  $m_1 = m_2$ . Solve EQ for  $x$ .  
HINT: See the Tangent Lines and Differentiation Rules Lab.
- (7) Define the function  $h$  as a mapping.
  - (a) Factor the numerator of  $h(x)$ , the denominator of  $h(x)$ , and the rational function  $h(x)$ .
  - (b) Identify all removable singularities in  $h$ .HINT: See the Introduction to Maple Lab; remember the `numer` and `denom` commands.