

MATH 141 (Section 5 & 6)  
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Quiz 3  
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Name: Key  
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1. (10 points) If a ball is thrown into the air with an initial velocity of 40 ft/s, its height in feet  $t$  seconds later is given by  $y = 40t - 16t^2$ .

- (a) Find the average velocity over the interval  $[3, 4]$ .

$$\begin{aligned} V_{\text{avg}} &= \frac{v(4) - v(3)}{4 - 3} = \frac{(40 \cdot 4 - 16 \cdot 4^2) - (40 \cdot 3 - 16 \cdot 3^2)}{4 - 3} \\ &= \frac{-96 - (-24)}{1} \\ &= -72 \text{ ft/sec.} \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Write the instantaneous velocity when  $t = 3$  as a limit.

$$V_{\text{inst.}} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 3} \frac{v(t) - v(3)}{t - 3} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 3} \frac{40t - 16t^2 + 24}{t - 3}$$

- (c) Evaluate the limit in (b).

$$\begin{aligned} V_{\text{inst.}} &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 3} \frac{-16t^2 + 40t + 24}{t - 3} \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 3} \frac{(t - 3)(-16t - 8)}{t - 3} \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 3} -16t - 8 \\ &= -48 - 8 = -56 \text{ ft/sec.} \end{aligned}$$