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**136.151: Test #1**  
**20 minutes**

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1. Consider the following three lines.

$$l_1 : y = 2x + 1$$

$$l_2 : y - 2x = 10$$

$$l_3 : 2y = -x + 4$$

Which of these lines are mutually parallel, which are mutually perpendicular? Why?

**Solution.**

For  $l_1$  we are given that  $y = 2x + 1$  so that the slope of that line is  $m_1 = 2$ .

For  $l_2$  we find that  $y = 2x + 10$  so that the slope of that line is  $m_2 = 2$ .

For  $l_3$  we find that  $y = -\frac{1}{2}x + 2$  so that the slope of that line is  $m_3 = -\frac{1}{2}$ .

Since  $m_1 = m_2$ , the first two lines are parallel. Since  $m_1 = -\frac{1}{m_3}$ , the first and the third line are perpendicular. Consequently, so are the second and the third.

2. Find the domain of the function  $f(x) = \sqrt{1-2x}$ . Show your work.

**Solution.**

We must have that  $1 - 2x \geq 0$ . Solve this:  $1 - 2x \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow 1 \geq 2x \Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{2} \geq x$ . So, the domain of the function  $f(x)$  is the interval  $(-\infty, \frac{1}{2}]$ .

3. (a) Show that  $f(x) = x^3 + x$  is an odd function.

(b) Which of the functions  $g(x) = x^4 + 1$  and  $h(x) = x^4 + x$  is even? Is any of these two functions odd?

**Solution.**

(a)  $f(-x) = (-x)^3 + (-x) = -(x^3 + x) = -f(x)$  so the function  $f(x)$  is indeed odd.

(b)  $g(x)$  is even. Both are not odd.

4. Compute  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{(x+3)(x-1)}{x^2 - 3x + 2}$ . Show your work.

**Solution.**

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{(x+3)(x-1)}{x^2 - 3x + 2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{(x+3)(x-1)}{(x-2)(x-1)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{(x+3)}{(x-2)} = -4.$$