MA 137 Worksheet #20

Sections 5.1 and 5.2 10/22/20

1. Suppose that f(x) is a differentiable function with $3 \le f'(x) \le 10$ for all x in the open interval (-1, 6). If f(-1) = 3, then the Mean Value Theorem for f(x) on the interval [-1, 6] implies that the largest possible value of f(6) is _____.

2. Denote the biomass at time t by B(t), and assume that B(t) is continuous on the interval [-1,3] and differentiable on the interval (-1,3) with B(-1) = 75 and $-3 \le dB/dt \le 2$ for all $t \in (-1,3)$. What can you say about B(3)?

3. Where is the function $f(x) = 2x^3 - 14x^2 + 48x + 21$ increasing?

4. Suppose f'(x) = x(x+2)(x-3). Find the interval or intervals where f is increasing. (Read the problem carefully. The given function is f'(x), not f(x).)