

Practice Midterm II Solution Key
Math 124, Sections C,D
Week 7, Spring Quarter 2006

- No book, notes or graphing calculators are allowed. You may use a scientific calculator.
- Show all your work to get full credit unless the problem instructs otherwise
- Read instructions for each problem CAREFULLY.
- Check your work!

1. Calculate derivatives of the following functions. Use logarithmic differentiation when appropriate. You need not carry out any algebra simplification. **BOX YOUR FINAL ANSWER.** We will only grade the answer you box.

$$(a) \quad y = \frac{40t^5 - \sqrt{t}}{t^4 + 1} \qquad \frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{[(200t^4 - 1/(2\sqrt{t}))(t^4 - 1)] - [4t^3(40t^5 - \sqrt{t})]}{(t^4 + 1)^2}$$

$$(b) \quad f(x) = \sec^2(x) - \tan^2(x), \qquad f'(x) = 0$$

$$(c) \quad f(x) = \sin^2(e^{2x^2-3x}) \qquad f'(x) = 2 \sin(e^{2x^2-3x}) \cos(e^{2x^2-3x}) e^{2x^2-3x} (4x - 3)$$

$$(d) \quad f(x) = \frac{(x^4 - 1)(x + 2)^3}{e^{x^2} \sqrt{x^3 - 4}} \qquad f'(x) = f(x) \left\{ \frac{4x^3}{x^4 - 1} + \frac{3}{x + 2} - 2x - \frac{3x^2}{2(x^3 - 4)} \right\}$$

$$(e) \quad f(x) = 2^{x^{\arccos x}} \qquad f'(x) = 2^{x^{\arccos(x)}} x^{\arccos(x)} \left(-\frac{\ln(x)}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} + \frac{\arccos(x)}{x} \right) \ln(2)$$

2. An object is moving along number line and its location at time t seconds is given by the function $d(t) = 3t^3 - 5t^2 + 2t + 1$ cm.

- (a) What are the velocity and acceleration of the object at time t ? Include UNITS.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Velocity: } d'(t) &= 9t^2 - 10t + 2 \text{ cm/s} \\ \text{Acceleration: } d''(t) &= 18t - 10 \text{ cm/s}^2 \end{aligned}$$

- (b) What is the maximum acceleration of the object during the time interval $[0, 1]$? Explain.

At $t = 1$ the acceleration is a maximum with $d''(t) = 8$.

3. An object is moving with parametric equations

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= e^{-t} \sin(\pi t), \\ y(t) &= \cos(\pi t) \end{aligned}$$

The location of the object at time t seconds is $P(t) = (x(t), y(t))$ and the path followed during the first 2 seconds is pictured below. Units on the axes are centimeters (cm).

- (a) Find the horizontal and vertical velocity of the object at time t .

$$\begin{aligned} x'(t) &= -e^{-t} \sin(\pi t) + \pi e^{-t} \cos(\pi t) \\ y'(t) &= -\pi \sin(\pi t) \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Find the slope of the curve when the object is located at $P(1/2)$. Then find the equation of the tangent line at this point.

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-\pi \sin(\pi t)}{-e^{-t} \sin(\pi t) + \pi e^{-t} \cos(\pi t)}$$

At $t = 1/2$ we have $\frac{dy}{dx} = \pi e^{1/2}$. Equation for the tangent is $y(x) = \pi(e^{1/2}x - 1)$.

- (c) Is the object moving faster at time $t = 0$ or at time $t = 1$? Explain.

Speed:

$$\sqrt{(x'(t))^2 + (y'(t))^2} = \sqrt{(-e^{-t} \sin(\pi t) + \pi e^{-t} \cos(\pi t))^2 + \pi^2 \sin^2(\pi t)}$$

Evaluating at $t = 0, 1$ gives,

$$\begin{aligned} t = 0 & \qquad \qquad \qquad \sqrt{\pi^2} = \pi, \\ t = 1 & \qquad \qquad \qquad \sqrt{\pi^2 e^{-2}} = \pi/e, \end{aligned}$$

which means that the object is moving faster at $t = 0$.

(d) Find the locations where the tangent line to the path is vertical.

Answer.

$$t_1 = \frac{\arctan \pi}{\pi} \Rightarrow \left(e^{-t_1} \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{\pi^2 + 1}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi^2 + 1}} \right)$$
$$t_2 = \frac{\arctan \pi}{\pi} + 1 \Rightarrow \left(-e^{-t_2} \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{\pi^2 + 1}}, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi^2 + 1}} \right)$$

4. The equation $x^2 + xy + y^3 = 2$

(a) The point $P = (0, \sqrt[3]{2})$ is on the curve. Find an equation of the tangent line to the curve at the point P .

Answer. $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-2x-y}{x+3y^2}$

Then the tangent line equation at $P = (0, \sqrt[3]{2})$ is

$$y = -\frac{x}{3\sqrt[3]{2}} + \sqrt[3]{2}$$

(b) Let Q be the point on the curve whose x -coordinate is 0.1. Using linear approximation at P , estimate the y -coordinate of Q . In other words, if $Q = (0.1, y_o)$, estimate y_o using linear approximation. Leave your estimate in exact form.

Answer. $y_o \approx -\frac{0.1}{3\sqrt[3]{2}} + \sqrt[3]{2}$

5. Below is a picture of a portion of the graph of the equation: $\sin(x + 2y) = 2x \cos(y)$.

(a) Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2 \cos y - \cos(x + 2y)}{2 \cos(x + 2y) + 2x \sin y}$$

(b) Write the equation of the tangent line to this curve at the origin $(0, 0)$ and sketch this tangent line in the picture.

$$y = \frac{x}{2}$$

6. Find the equation of the tangent line to the curve

$$\sin x + \cos y = \sin x \cos y$$

at the point $(\pi, \pi/2)$.

Answer.

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\cos(x)(\cos(y) - 1)}{\sin(y)(\sin(x) - 1)}$$
$$y = -x + \frac{3\pi}{2}$$

7. Gravel is being dumped from a conveyor belt at a rate of $30 \text{ ft}^3/\text{min}$, and its coarseness is such that it forms a pile in the shape of a cone whose base diameter and height are always equal. How fast is the height of the pile increasing when the pile is 10 ft high? (Note: The volume of a cone of height h having a base of radius r is given by the formula: $V = \frac{1}{3}\pi r^2 h$.)

Rewrite the volume equation to $V = \frac{1}{12}\pi h^3$ and implicitly differentiate to get,

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = \frac{\pi}{4}h^2 \frac{dh}{dt},$$

solve for $\frac{dh}{dt}$,

$$\frac{dh}{dt} = \frac{4}{\pi h^2} \frac{dV}{dt},$$

and evaluate with $h = 10 \text{ ft}$ and $\frac{dV}{dt} = 30 \text{ ft}^3/\text{min}$ to get $\frac{dh}{dt} = \frac{6}{5\pi} \text{ ft}/\text{min}$.