

Sample Problem Solutions for Exam Two

1. Use the limit definition of derivatives to find  $\frac{d}{dx} \cos x$ .

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos(x+h) - \cos(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos x \cos h - \sin x \sin h - \cos x}{h} =$$

$$\cos x \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos h - 1}{h} - \sin x \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin h}{h} = (\cos x)(0) - (\sin x)(1) = -\sin x.$$

2. Find the equation of the normal line to the curve  $y = f(x) = (x^2 - x)^3$  at the point where  $x = 2$ .

$$f'(x) = 3(x^2 - x)^2(2x - 1) = 3(4 - 2)^2(4 - 1) = 36.$$

The slope of the normal line is  $-1/36$ , and

$$y_0 = f(2) = 8 \text{ when } x + 0 = 2,$$

so the line has equation

$$y = 8 - (x - 2)/36 = \frac{290 - x}{36}.$$

3. A particle moves according the law of motion  $s(t) = 2t^3 - 21t^2 + 60t$ . Find the velocity function, determine when the particle is at rest and when it is moving forward. Find the average velocity from time  $t = 5$  to  $t = 10$  and find the total distance traveled from  $t = 0$  to  $t = 10$ .

$$v = ds/dt = 6t^2 - 42t + 60 = 6(t - 2)(t - 5).$$

The particle is at rest when  $v = 0$ , which is  $t = 2$  and  $t = 5$ .

$$s(0) = 0, s(2) = 52, s(5) = 25 \text{ and } s(10) = 500.$$

$$\text{Average velocity} = \frac{s(10) - s(5)}{10 - 5} = \frac{500 - 25}{5} = 95.$$

$$\text{Total distance} = [s(2) - s(0)] + [s(2) - s(5)] + [s(10) - s(5)] = 52 + 27 + 475 = 554.$$

4. Find  $f'(\frac{\pi}{4})$  if  $f(x) = \frac{x}{\sin x}$ .

$$f'(x) = \frac{\sin x - x \cos x}{\sin^2 x} = \frac{\sqrt{2}/2 - \frac{\pi}{4} \sqrt{2}/2}{1/2} = (1 - \frac{\pi}{4})\sqrt{2}.$$

5. Doctors estimate a person's body surface area  $S$  (in meters squared) by the formula  $S = \sqrt{hm}/60$ , where  $h$  is height in cm and  $m$  is mass in kg. Calculate the rate of change of  $S$  with respect to mass if  $h = 180$  is constant. Find the rate at  $m = 60$  and at  $m = 80$ .

$$S = \sqrt{180m}/60 = m^{1/2}/2\sqrt{5}, \text{ so } dS/dm = m^{-1/2}/4\sqrt{5}.$$

$$\text{When } m = 60, \text{ this is } 1/4\sqrt{300} = 1/40\sqrt{3}.$$

$$\text{When } m = 80, \text{ this is } 1/4\sqrt{400} = 1/80.$$

6. Find  $F'(3)$  where  $F(x) = (f \circ g)(x)$ ,  $g(3) = 5$ ,  $g'(3) = 3$ ,  $f'(3) = 1$  and  $f'(5) = 4$ .

$$F'(3) = f'(g(3))g'(3) = f'(5)g'(3) = 4 \cdot 3 = 12.$$

7. Find  $f'(x)$  and  $f''(x)$  where  $f(x) = \cos^2(3x)$ .

$$f(x) = u^2 \text{ where } u = \cos 3x. \text{ Then } u' = -3\sin 3x \text{ and}$$

$$f'(x) = 2uu' = 2\cos 3x(-3\sin 3x) = -6\cos 3x \sin 3x.$$

$$f'(x) = UV, \text{ where } U = -6\cos 3x \text{ and } V = \sin 3x.$$

$$\text{Then } U' = 18\sin 3x \text{ and } V' = 3\cos 3x.$$

$$\text{So } f''(x) = U'V + UV' = 18\sin^2 3x - 18\cos^2 3x.$$

8. Find  $f'(3)$  and  $f''(3)$  where  $y = f(x)$ ,  $f(3) = 1$  and  $xy^3 + xy = 6$ .

$$y^3 + 3xy^2y' + y + xy' = 0, \text{ so } y' = \frac{-y^3 - y}{3xy^2 + x} = \frac{-2}{12} = \frac{-1}{6}.$$

Then

$$y'' = \frac{(-3y^2 - 1)y'(3xy^2 + x) + (y^3 + y)(6xyy' + 3y^2 + 1)}{(3xy^2 + x)^2} = \frac{(-4)(-1/6)(12) + (2)(1)}{(12)^2} = \frac{10}{144}.$$

9. Find  $f'(x)$  and  $f''(x)$  where  $f(x) = \frac{e^x}{e^x + 1}$ .

$$f'(x) = \frac{e^x(e^x + 1) - e^x(e^x)}{(e^x + 1)^2} = \frac{e^x}{(e^x + 1)^2}.$$

$$f''(x) = \frac{e^x(e^x + 1)^2 - e^x 2(e^x + 1)(e^x)}{(e^x + 1)^4} = \frac{e^x(e^x + 1) - e^x 2e^x}{(e^x + 1)^3} = \frac{e^x - e^{2x}}{(e^x + 1)^3}.$$

10. Find the second derivative of  $f(x) = x^2 \ln x$ .

$$f'(x) = 2x \ln x + x, \text{ and } f''(x) = 2 \ln x + 2 + 1 = 3 + 2 \ln x.$$

11. Let  $f(x) = x + \sqrt{x^3 + 1}$  (so  $f(2) = 5$ ) and that  $g(x)$  is the inverse function of  $f(x)$ . Find  $g'(5)$ .

$$f' = 1 + 3x^2/\sqrt{x^3 + 1}, \text{ so } f'(2) = 3 \text{ and then } g'(5) = g'(f(2)) = 1/f'(2) = 1/3.$$

12. Use Logarithmic Differentiation to find  $f'(1)$  for

$$f(x) = e^{x^2} (x + 3)^2 / (2x - 1).$$

$$f(1) = 16e; \quad \ln f(x) = x^2 + 2 \ln(x + 3) - \ln(2x - 1);$$

$$f'/f = 2x + \frac{2}{x+3} - \frac{2}{2x-1} = 1/2; \quad f'(1) = 8e.$$

13. Find the tangent line to  $y = \arcsin x$  at  $x = \frac{1}{2}$  and sketch with the curve.

$$m = dy/dx = \frac{1}{1-x^2} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}; \quad y = \frac{\pi}{6} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}(x - \frac{1}{2}).$$

14. A spherical balloon is inflated at a rate of 20 cc per second. How fast is the radius of the sphere increasing when the radius equals 5 cm.

$$V = \frac{4}{3}\pi R^3, \text{ so } dV/dR = 4\pi R^2.$$

$$20 = dV/dt = dV/dR dR/dt = 4\pi R^2 dR/dt.$$

$$\text{When } R = 5, 20 = 4\pi(25)dR/dt, \text{ so } dR/dt = \frac{1}{5\pi} \text{ cm per second.}$$