

**Math 124**  
**Exam 2 Solutions**

1. (53 pts.) Find the following. You do not need to simplify your answers.

(a) (9 pts.) Find  $f'(x)$  if  $f(x) = 2(x + 3)^7 \cdot \sin(x)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= 2 \cdot 7(x + 3)^6 \sin(x) + 2(x + 3)^7 \cos(x) && \text{(Product Rule)} \\ &= 14(x + 3)^6 \sin(x) + 2(x + 3)^7 \cos(x) \end{aligned}$$

(b) (10 pts.)  $\frac{d}{dt} \left[ \frac{e^t - 4t^3}{5 + \ln t} \right] = ?$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left[ \frac{e^t - 4t^3}{5 + \ln t} \right] = \frac{(5 + \ln t)(e^t - 12t^2) - (e^t - 4t^3)\left(\frac{1}{t}\right)}{(5 + \ln t)^2} \quad \text{(Quotient Rule)}$$

(c) (12 pts.) Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  if  $y = (\arctan x)^{\sqrt{x}}$ .

Logarithmic Differentiation:  $\ln y = \ln(\arctan x)^{\sqrt{x}}$   
 $\ln y = \sqrt{x} \cdot \ln(\arctan x)$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} [\ln y] = \frac{d}{dx} [\sqrt{x} \cdot \ln(\arctan x)]$   
 $\frac{1}{y} \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \cdot \ln(\arctan x) + \sqrt{x} \cdot \frac{1}{\arctan x} \cdot \frac{1}{1+x^2}$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = (\arctan x)^{\sqrt{x}} \left[ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \cdot \ln(\arctan x) + \sqrt{x} \cdot \frac{1}{\arctan x} \cdot \frac{1}{1+x^2} \right]$

(d) (12 pts.) Find  $g''(t)$  if  $g(t) = \cos(\ln t) + 3t$ .

$$g'(t) = -\sin(\ln t) \cdot \frac{1}{t} + 3 \quad \text{(Chain Rule)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} g''(t) &= -\cos(\ln t) \cdot \frac{1}{t} \cdot \frac{1}{t} - \sin(\ln t) \cdot -\frac{1}{t^2} \\ &= -\cos(\ln t) \cdot \frac{1}{t^2} + \sin(\ln t) \cdot \frac{1}{t^2} \quad \text{(Chain and Product Rule)} \end{aligned}$$

(e) (10 pts.)  $\frac{d}{d\theta} [e^{\sec^2 \theta}] = ?$

$$\frac{d}{d\theta} [e^{\sec^2 \theta}] = e^{\sec^2 \theta} \cdot 2 \sec \theta \cdot \sec \theta \cdot \tan \theta \quad \text{(Chain Rule)}$$

2. (10 pts.) Evaluate the following limit.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cot x}{3 \csc x}$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cot x}{3 \csc x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{\cos x}{\sin x}}{\frac{3}{\sin x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos x}{\sin x} \cdot \frac{\sin x}{3} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos x}{3} = \frac{1}{3}$$

3. (19 pts.) Find an equation of the tangent line to the curve  $\tan(xy) = x^3 + 2y - 4$  at the point  $(0, 2)$ .

Implicit Differentiation:  $\frac{d}{dx}[\tan(xy)] = \frac{d}{dx}[x^3 + 2y - 4]$   
 $\sec^2(xy) \cdot (x \frac{dy}{dx} + y) = 3x^2 + 2 \frac{dy}{dx}$

Plugging in  $x = 0$  and  $y = 2$ :  $\sec^2(0 \cdot 2) \cdot (0 \frac{dy}{dx} + 2) = 3(0)^2 + 2 \frac{dy}{dx}$   
 $2 = 2 \frac{dy}{dx}$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 1$

So, the equation of the tangent line is  $y = x + 2$ .

4. (18 pts.) The **velocity** of a flying monkey is given by  $v(t) = (6 - t)e^{0.5t}$  in meters/second at  $t$  seconds.

(a) (9 pts.) When is the monkey at rest? When is the monkey moving forward?

The monkey is at rest when the velocity is equal to 0.

$$(6 - t)e^{0.5t} = 0 \quad \text{when } t = 6 \quad (\text{since } e^{0.5t} > 0 \text{ for all } t)$$

So, the monkey is at rest at 6 seconds.

The monkey is moving forward when the velocity is positive.

$$(6 - t)e^{0.5t} > 0 \quad \text{when } 6 - t > 0 \quad (\text{since } e^{0.5t} > 0 \text{ for all } t)$$

$$\Rightarrow 6 > t$$

So, the monkey is moving forward between 0 and 6 seconds.

(b) (9 pts.) Find the acceleration  $a(t)$  of the monkey at time  $t$ .

Acceleration:  $a(t) = -e^{0.5t} + (6 - t)e^{0.5t} \cdot 0.5$  (Product and Chain Rule)