

Math 124
Exam 2 Solutions

1. (55 pts.) Evaluate the following.

(a) (10 pts.) $\frac{d}{dx}[-3 \sec^2(4 - x)] = ?$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[-3 \sec^2(4 - x)] = -3 \cdot 2\sec(4 - x) \cdot \sec(4 - x)\tan(4 - x) \cdot (-1)$$

(Chain rule $\times 2$)

(b) (10 pts.) For $f(x) = \frac{1-7\ln(x)}{3x^2-x}$, find $f'(x)$.

$$f'(x) = \frac{(3x^2-x)(-\frac{7}{x}) - (1-7\ln(x))(6x-1)}{(3x^2-x)^2} \quad (\text{Quotient Rule})$$

(c) (10 pts.) Find $\frac{dy}{dt}$ for $y = (\sin t)^{t+1}$.

$$\ln y = \ln(\sin t)^{t+1} = (t+1)\ln(\sin t)$$

Differentiating both sides with respect to t :

$$\frac{1}{y} \cdot \frac{dy}{dt} = 1 \cdot \ln(\sin t) + (t+1)\left(\frac{1}{\sin t}\right) \cdot \cos t$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dt} = (\sin t)^{t+1}(\ln(\sin t) + (t+1) \cdot \cot t)$$

(d) (8 pts.) Find the 43rd derivative of $\cos 2x$.

Consider the first few derivatives of $\cos 2x$.

1st: $\frac{d}{dx}(\cos 2x) = -2\sin 2x$

2nd: $\frac{d}{dx}(-2\sin 2x) = -2^2\cos 2x$

3rd: $\frac{d}{dx}(-2^2\cos 2x) = 2^3\sin 2x$

4th: $\frac{d}{dx}(-2^3\sin 2x) = 2^4\cos 2x$

The power of 2 keeps increasing, so by the 43rd derivative, the coefficient is 2^{43} . Also by the 43rd derivative, the derivative has cycled back to a positive $\sin 2x$. So, the 43rd derivative is $2^{43}\sin 2x$.

(e) (7 pts.) $\frac{d}{dx}[\tan(\pi^2 + 1)] = ?$

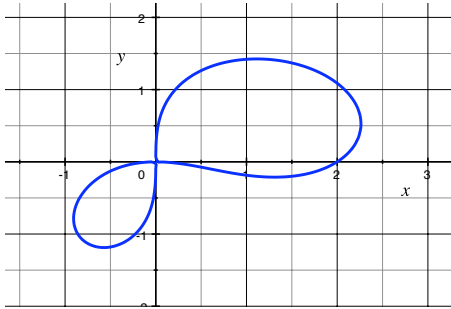
Since $\tan(\pi^2 + 1)$ is a constant, $\frac{d}{dx}[\tan(\pi^2 + 1)] = 0$.

(f) (10 pts.) For $g(x) = 2^{e^x}$, find $g''(x)$.

$$g'(x) = 2^{e^x} \cdot \ln 2 \cdot e^x$$

$$g''(x) = \ln 2(2^{e^x} \ln 2 \cdot e^x \cdot e^x + 2^{e^x} \cdot e^x) \quad (\text{Product Rule})$$

2. (15 pts.) Find the slope of the curve $(x^2 + y^2)^2 = 5xy + 2x^3$ at the point $(2, 0)$.



$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx}((x^2 + y^2)^2) &= \frac{d}{dx}(5xy + 2x^3) \\ 2(x^2 + y^2)(2x + 2y \frac{dy}{dx}) &= 5y + 5x \frac{dy}{dx} + 6x^2 \end{aligned}$$

Plugging in $x = 2$ and $y = 0$:

$$\begin{aligned} 2(4 + 0)(4 + 0) &= 0 + 10 \frac{dy}{dx} + 24 \\ 8 &= 10 \frac{dy}{dx} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Slope} = \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{8}{10} = \frac{4}{5}$$

3. (15 pts.) $f(x) = \arcsin x = \sin^{-1}x$

- (a) (5 pts.) For what x -value is $f(x) = \frac{\pi}{6}$?

$$\text{If } f(x) = \frac{\pi}{6}, \text{ then } \arcsin x = \frac{\pi}{6} \Rightarrow x = \sin \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{1}{2}.$$

- (b) (10 pts.) Find an equation for the tangent line of f at the x -value found in part (a).

We first need to find the slope of f when $x = \frac{1}{2}$.

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \Rightarrow f'(\frac{1}{2}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-(\frac{1}{2})^2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{3}{4}}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$$

The tangent line has slope $\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$ and goes through the point $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{\pi}{6})$.

$$\text{Equation: } y - \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}(x - \frac{1}{2})$$

4. (15 pts.) The amount of water in a reservoir in millions of gallons is given by $w = f(t) = \sqrt{120t - 3t^2}$ on a given day t with $0 \leq t \leq 40$.

- (a) (5 pts.) How much water is in the reservoir on day 30?

$$f(30) = \sqrt{120(30) - 3(30^2)} = 30$$

\Rightarrow There was 30 million gallons in the reservoir on day 30.

- (b) (10 pts.) Is water flowing into or out of the reservoir on day 30 and at what rate? (Include units on the rate of water flow.)

$$\begin{aligned} f'(t) &= \frac{120-6t}{2\sqrt{120t-3t^2}} \\ \Rightarrow f'(30) &= \frac{120-6(30)}{2\sqrt{120(30)-3(30^2)}} = -1 \end{aligned}$$

Since the derivative is negative, the water is flowing out of the reservoir on day 30 at a rate of 1 million gallons per day.