

QUIZ #2 (SECTIONS 2.4, 2.5, 2.6, 2.7)

SOLUTIONS

MATH 121 – FALL 2003 – KUNIYUKI
105 POINTS TOTAL, BUT 100 POINTS = 100%

PART 1 (USE A SCIENTIFIC CALCULATOR!): 31 points

1) The position function of a particle in inches is given by $s(t) = 5t^3 + 4t$, where t is time in seconds. Write units! (13 points total)

a) What is the position of the particle at time $t = 2$? (3 points)

$$\begin{aligned} s(t) &= 5t^3 + 4t \\ s(2) &= 5(2)^3 + 4(2) \\ &= 5(8) + 8 \\ &= 40 + 8 \\ &= \mathbf{48 \text{ inches}} \end{aligned}$$

b) What is the velocity of the particle at time $t = 2$? (5 points)

$$\begin{aligned} s(t) &= 5t^3 + 4t \\ v(t) &= s'(t) \\ &= 15t^2 + 4 \\ v(2) &= 15(2)^2 + 4 \\ &= 15(4) + 4 \\ &= 60 + 4 \\ &= \mathbf{64 \frac{\text{inches}}{\text{second}}} \end{aligned}$$

c) What is the acceleration of the particle at time $t = 2$? (5 points)

$$\begin{aligned} v(t) &= 15t^2 + 4 \\ a(t) &= v'(t) \\ &= 30t \\ a(2) &= 30(2) \\ &= \mathbf{60 \frac{\text{inches}}{\text{second}^2}} \text{ (or 60 inches per second per second)} \end{aligned}$$

2) A computer company's cost function is $C(x) = 400x + 5000$ in dollars, where x is the number of computers produced. (18 points total)

a) Find the average cost function, $AC(x)$.

$$\begin{aligned} AC(x) &= \frac{C(x)}{x} \\ &= \frac{400x + 5000}{x} \\ &= \frac{400x}{x} + \frac{5000}{x} \\ &= 400 + \frac{5000}{x} \quad \text{or} \quad 400 + 5000x^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

(Various forms are appropriate.)

b) Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} AC(x)$.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(400 + \underbrace{\frac{5000}{x}}_{\rightarrow 0} \right) = \mathbf{400}$$

c) Find the marginal average cost function, $MAC(x)$.

$$\begin{aligned} AC(x) &= 400 + \frac{5000}{x} \quad \text{or} \quad 400 + 5000x^{-1} \\ MAC(x) &= D_x[AC(x)] \\ &= -\mathbf{5000}x^{-2} \quad \text{or} \quad -\frac{\mathbf{5000}}{x^2} \end{aligned}$$

d) Evaluate $MAC(40)$ and interpret your answer.

$$\begin{aligned} MAC(40) &= -\frac{5000}{(40)^2} \\ &= -\mathbf{3.125} \end{aligned}$$

When 40 computers have been produced, the average cost is decreasing by about \$3.125 (about \$3.13) per computer for each additional computer produced.

PART 2 (NO CALCULATORS!): 74 points

3) Let $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 3}{x^3 + 2}$. Find $f'(x)$. Simplify your answer. (10 points)

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{\text{Lo} \cdot \text{D(Hi)} - \text{Hi} \cdot \text{D(Lo)}}{\text{the square of what's below}} && \text{(Quotient Rule)} \\ &= \frac{(x^3 + 2) \cdot [D_x(x^2 - 3)] - (x^2 - 3) \cdot [D_x(x^3 + 2)]}{(x^3 + 2)^2} \\ &= \frac{(x^3 + 2) \cdot (2x) - (x^2 - 3) \cdot (3x^2)}{(x^3 + 2)^2} \\ &= \frac{2x^4 + 4x - (3x^4 - 9x^2)}{(x^3 + 2)^2} \\ &= \frac{2x^4 + 4x - 3x^4 + 9x^2}{(x^3 + 2)^2} \\ &= \frac{-x^4 + 9x^2 + 4x}{(x^3 + 2)^2} \end{aligned}$$

You could also factor $-x$ out of the numerator, but it does not lead to further simplification in this case.

4) Find $\frac{d^2}{dx^2}(4x^3 - 3x^2 + 2)$. (6 points)

In other words, we want to find $f''(x)$, where $f(x) = 4x^3 - 3x^2 + 2$.

$$f'(x), \text{ or } \frac{d}{dx}(4x^3 - 3x^2 + 2) = 12x^2 - 6x$$

$$f''(x), \text{ or } \frac{d^2}{dx^2}(4x^3 - 3x^2 + 2) = \mathbf{24x - 6}$$

5) For each of the following, find $f'(x)$. Simplify your answer. All exponents must be positive in your final answer. Do not expand out powers; for example, don't work out $(9x + 4)^6$. (36 points total)

a) $f(x) = \sqrt[3]{x^2 + 5x}$ (8 points)

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x) &= (x^2 + 5x)^{1/3} \\
 f'(x) &= \frac{1}{3}(x^2 + 5x)^{-2/3} \cdot D_x(x^2 + 5x) \quad (\text{by the Generalized Power Rule}) \\
 &= \frac{1}{3}(x^2 + 5x)^{-2/3}(2x + 5) \\
 &= \frac{\mathbf{2x + 5}}{\mathbf{3(x^2 + 5x)^{2/3}}}
 \end{aligned}$$

b) $f(x) = \frac{1}{(9x + 4)^6}$ (8 points)

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x) &= (9x + 4)^{-6} \\
 f'(x) &= -6(9x + 4)^{-7} \cdot D_x(9x + 4) \quad (\text{by the Generalized Power Rule}) \\
 &= -6(9x + 4)^{-7} \cdot (9) \\
 &= -54(9x + 4)^{-7} \\
 &= -\frac{\mathbf{54}}{\mathbf{(9x + 4)^7}}
 \end{aligned}$$

c) $f(x) = x^3(4x - 2)^6$ (8 points)

Overall, we have a product of functions of x (that can't be combined easily), so use the Product Rule.

$$\begin{aligned}
 f'(x) &= [D_x(x^3)] \cdot [(4x - 2)^6] + [x^3] \cdot \underbrace{[D_x(4x - 2)^6]}_{\substack{\text{Use the Generalized} \\ \text{Power Rule.}}} \\
 &= [3x^2] \cdot [(4x - 2)^6] + [x^3] \cdot \left[6(4x - 2)^5 \cdot \underbrace{4}_{\text{tail}} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

Note: 4 is the tail, because it is $D_x(4x - 2)$.

$$= \mathbf{3x^2(4x - 2)^6} + \mathbf{24x^3(4x - 2)^5}$$

You could factor out $3x^2(4x - 2)^5$.

d) $f(x) = (7x^2 + 3)^4 (3x - 10)^5$ (12 points)

Overall, we have a product of functions of x (that can't be combined easily), so use the Product Rule.

$$f'(x) = \underbrace{\left[D_x (7x^2 + 3)^4 \right]}_{\text{Use the Generalized Power Rule.}} \cdot \left[(3x - 10)^5 \right] + \left[(7x^2 + 3)^4 \right] \cdot \underbrace{\left[D_x (3x - 10)^5 \right]}_{\text{Use the Generalized Power Rule.}}$$

$$= \left[4(7x^2 + 3)^3 \cdot \underbrace{14x}_{\text{tail}} \right] \cdot \left[(3x - 10)^5 \right] + \left[(7x^2 + 3)^4 \right] \cdot \left[5(3x - 10)^4 \cdot \underbrace{3}_{\text{tail}} \right]$$

Note: $14x$ is the first tail, because it is $D_x(7x^2 + 3)$.

3 is the second tail, because it is $D_x(3x - 10)$.

$$= 56x(7x^2 + 3)^3 (3x - 10)^5 + 15(7x^2 + 3)^4 (3x - 10)^4$$

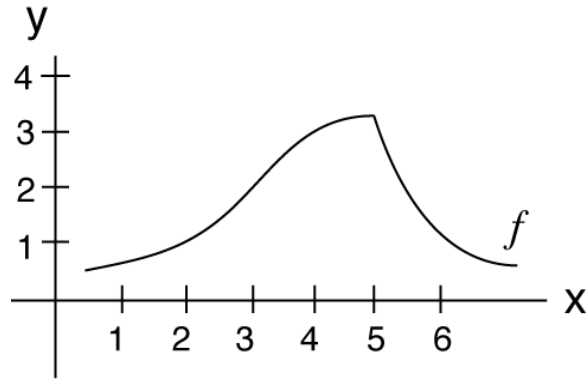
You could factor out $(7x^2 + 3)^3 (3x - 10)^4$.

- 6) Find functions f and g such that the function represented by $\sqrt[3]{x^2 + 5x}$ is the composition $f(g(x))$. (4 points)

$g(x)$ or $u = x^2 + 5x$ ("Inside")

$f(u) = \sqrt[3]{u}$

7) Consider the graph of the function f below. (18 points total; 3 points each)



For each of the following, circle one. DNE means "Does Not Exist."

a) $f'(2)$ is ...

positive zero negative DNE
 (f is increasing at 2.)

b) $f''(2)$ is ...

positive zero negative DNE
 (f is increasing at an increasing rate at 2.)

c) $f'(4)$ is ...

positive zero negative DNE
 (f is increasing at 4.)

d) $f''(4)$ is ...

positive zero **negative** DNE
 (f is increasing at a decreasing rate at 4.)

e) $f'(5)$ is ...

positive zero negative **DNE**
 (Left-hand and right-hand derivatives are mismatched.)

f) $f'(6)$ is ...

positive zero **negative** DNE
 (f is decreasing at 6.)