

King Fahd University of Petroleum and Minerals  
Department of Mathematical Sciences

Semester(Term 041)

MATH 101

Second Major Exam

---

Name:

*Solution*

ID#

Section:

---

1	
2	
3	
4	
5	
6	
7	
8	
9	
Total	

1. Use the limit definition of the derivative to compute the derivative of  $f(x) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{x}}$ .

(8 points)

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \boxed{\textcircled{1} f(x+h) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{x+h}}} \quad \boxed{\textcircled{2} f(x) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{x}}} \quad \textcircled{3} f(x+h) - f(x) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{x+h}} - \frac{2}{\sqrt{x}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{1} \quad &= \frac{2\sqrt{x} - 2\sqrt{x+h}}{\sqrt{x+h} \cdot \sqrt{x}} = \frac{2(\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{x+h})}{\sqrt{x+h} \sqrt{x}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x+h}}{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x+h}} \quad \textcircled{1} \\ &= \frac{2(x - (x+h))}{\sqrt{x+h} \sqrt{x} (\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x+h})} = \boxed{\frac{-2h}{\sqrt{x+h} \sqrt{x} (\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x+h})}} \quad \textcircled{1} \end{aligned}$$

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\textcircled{1} -2h}{h \sqrt{x+h} \sqrt{x} (\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x+h})} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-2}{\sqrt{x+h} \sqrt{x} (\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x+h})} \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$= \frac{-2}{\sqrt{x} \sqrt{x} (\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x})} \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$= \frac{-2}{x (2\sqrt{x})}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{-1}{x\sqrt{x}}} = \boxed{\frac{-1}{x^{3/2}}} \quad \textcircled{1}$$

2. Assume that

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{4}x^3 - \frac{1}{2}x^2, & \text{if } x \geq 2 \\ \frac{-6x-6}{x^2+2}, & \text{if } x < 2 \end{cases}$$

Determine if  $f$  is differentiable at  $x=2$ , i.e. determine  $f'(2)$  if it exists.

**Method 1**

(10 points)

First, determine if  $f$  is continuous at  $x=2$ , i.e. if  $\boxed{f(2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x)}$ .

$$\boxed{1} \quad f(2) = \frac{1}{4}(2)^3 - \frac{1}{2}(2)^2 = \frac{8}{4} - \frac{4}{2} = 2 - 2 = 0 \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$\boxed{2} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \left( \frac{1}{4}x^3 - \frac{1}{2}x^2 \right) = \frac{1}{4}(2)^3 - \frac{1}{2}(2)^2 = 0 \quad \textcircled{2}$$

$$\boxed{3} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{-6x-6}{x^2+2} = \frac{-6(2)-6}{(2)^2+2} = \frac{-18}{6} = -3 \quad \textcircled{2}$$

$$\boxed{4} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x) \neq \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x) \quad \therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) \text{ DNE} \quad \textcircled{2}$$

and hence  $f$  is not continuous at  $x=2$ . Therefore,  $f$  is not differentiable at  $x=2$ .  $\textcircled{1}$

**Method 2**

$$\boxed{1} \quad f'_+(2) \stackrel{\textcircled{1}}{=} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(2+h) - f(2)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\frac{1}{4}(2+h)^3 - \frac{1}{2}(2+h)^2 - 0}{h} \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\frac{1}{4}(2+h)^2 \left[ \frac{1}{2}(2+h) - 1 \right]}{h} \stackrel{\textcircled{1}}{=} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\frac{1}{4}(2+h)^2 \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{2}h - 1 \right]}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\frac{1}{4}(2+h)^2 \cdot \frac{1}{2}h}{h} \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{(2+h)^2}{4} = 1 \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$\boxed{2} \quad f'_-(2) \stackrel{\textcircled{1}}{=} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{f(2+h) - f(2)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{\frac{-6(2+h)-6}{(2+h)^2+2} - 0}{h} \stackrel{\textcircled{1}}{=} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{-6[2+h+1]}{h[(2+h)^2+2]} \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{-6[3+h]}{h[4+4h+h^2+2]} \stackrel{\textcircled{1}}{=} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{-6(3+h)}{h(h^2+4h+6)} = \frac{-6(3+0)}{0(0+0+6)} = \frac{-18}{0} \text{ DNE} \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$\therefore f$  is not differentiable at  $x=2$

see next page for an important Remark!

Remark what follows is a common INCORRECT attempt to solve this problem using another method.

$$\text{For } x > 2 \quad f'(x) = \frac{3}{4}x^2 - x$$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f'(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \left( \frac{3}{4}x^2 - x \right) = \frac{3}{4}(2)^2 - (2) = 3 - 2 = \boxed{1}$$

$$\text{For } x < 2 \quad f'(x) = \frac{(-6)(x^2+2) - (2x)(-6x-6)}{(x^2+2)^2}$$

$$= \frac{-6x^2 - 12 + 12x^2 + 12x}{(x^2+2)^2}$$

$$= \frac{6x^2 + 12x - 12}{(x^2+2)^2}$$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f'(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{6x^2 + 12x - 12}{(x^2+2)^2} = \frac{6(4) + 12(2) - 12}{(4+2)^2} = \frac{36}{36} = 1$$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f'(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f'(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f'(x) = 1$$

nothing wrong yet

An INCORRECT Conclusion would be that

$f'(2) = 1$ . If  $f$  were continuous at  $x=2$ , this would be a valid method to compute  $f'(2)$ .

3. For each of the following functions, compute the derivative. Show all work including each step in your derivation.

(5 points each)

(a)  $y = \left(\frac{x}{4} + x^{-5}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ .

$$y = \sqrt{\frac{x}{4} + x^{-5}} \quad (1)$$

$$y' = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\frac{x}{4} + x^{-5}}} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{4} - 5x^{-6}\right) \quad (2)$$

(b)  $y = \left(\frac{8x - x^6}{x^3}\right)^{-\frac{4}{5}}$ .

$$y' = \frac{-4}{5} \left(\frac{8x - x^6}{x^3}\right)^{-\frac{9}{5}} \cdot \frac{(8 - 6x^5)x^3 - 3x^2(8x - x^6)}{x^6} \quad (3)$$

$$= \frac{-4}{5} \left(\frac{8x - x^6}{x^3}\right)^{-\frac{9}{5}} \cdot \frac{8x^3 - 6x^8 - 24x^3 + 3x^8}{x^6}$$

$$= \frac{-4}{5} \left(\frac{8x - x^6}{x^3}\right) \cdot \frac{-16x^3 - 3x^8}{x^6}$$

(c)  $y = \sec^2(x^4) \tan^3(x^4)$ . (2)

$$y' = \left[ 2 \sec(x^4) \cdot \sec(x^4) \tan(x^4) \cdot 4x^3 \right] \tan^3(x^4) + \left[ 3 \tan^2(x^4) \cdot \sec^2(x^4) \cdot 4x^3 \right] \sec^2(x^4)$$

right product rule

(2) (1)

$$(d) y = \sqrt{\sin(7x + \cos 5x)}$$

$$y' = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\sin(7x + \cos 5x)}} \cdot \cos(7x + \cos 5x) \cdot (7 - 5 \sin 5x)$$

①
②
②

$$(e) y = \tan^3 \sqrt{\cot 7x}$$

$$y' = 3 \tan^2 \sqrt{\cot 7x} \cdot \sec^2 \sqrt{\cot 7x} \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\cot 7x}} \cdot -\cot^2 7x \cdot 7$$

1
1
1
1
1

$$(f) y = \frac{1}{x\sqrt{x^2+1}}$$

$$y = (x\sqrt{x^2+1})^{-1}$$

$$y' = - (x\sqrt{x^2+1})^{-2} \cdot (\sqrt{x^2+1} + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x^2+1}} \cdot 2x \cdot x)$$

1
1
1
1

4. The point  $(1, 2)$  lies on the hyperbola with equation  $x^2 + 2xy - y^2 + x = 2$ . Using implicit differentiation, determine the equation of the tangent line to the hyperbola at  $(1, 2)$ .

(9 points)

① The standard eqn of the tangent line to the hyperbola at  $(1, 2)$  is

$$y - 2 = f'(x_0, y_0) (x - 1) \quad \textcircled{1}$$

② Using implicit differentiation, we have

$$2x + 2y + 2x\dot{y} - 2y\dot{y} + 1 = 0 \quad \textcircled{2}$$

$$2x\dot{y} - 2y\dot{y} = -1 - 2x - 2y$$

$$(2x - 2y)\dot{y} = -1 - 2x - 2y$$

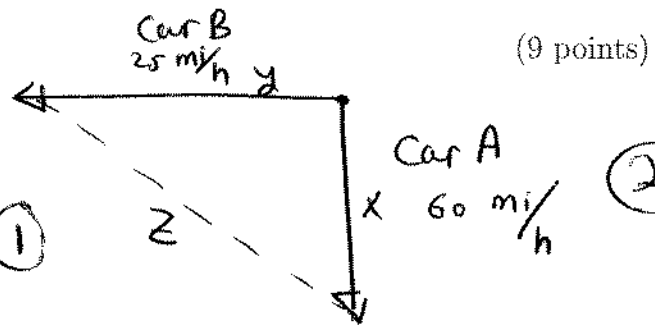
$$\therefore \dot{y} = \frac{-1 - 2x - 2y}{2x - 2y} \quad \textcircled{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{y} \Big|_{(1,2)} &= f'(1,2) = \frac{-1 - 2(1) - 2(2)}{2(1) - 2(2)} = \frac{-1 - 2 - 4}{2 - 4} \\ &= \frac{-7}{-2} = \boxed{\frac{7}{2}} \quad \textcircled{2} \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  The eqn of the tangent line to  $x^2 + 2xy - y^2 + x = 2$

at  $(1, 2)$  is  $\boxed{y - 2 = \frac{7}{2}(x - 1)} \quad \textcircled{2}$

5. Two cars start moving from the same point. One travels south at 60 mi/h and the other travels west at 25 mi/h. At what rate is the distance between the cars increasing two hours later?



Given  $\frac{dx}{dt} = 60 \text{ mi/h}$   
 $\frac{dy}{dt} = 25 \text{ mi/h}$  } ①

② asked to find  $\frac{dz}{dt}$  after 2 hours.

③ By Pythagorean Theorem

$$z^2 = x^2 + y^2 \quad ①$$

$$\therefore \frac{dz}{dt} = x \frac{dx}{dt} + y \frac{dy}{dt}$$

$$\therefore \frac{dz}{dt} = \frac{1}{z} \left( x \frac{dx}{dt} + y \frac{dy}{dt} \right) \quad ①$$

If  $t=2$ , ①  $x = 120 \text{ mi}$       $\therefore z^2 = (120)^2 + (50)^2 = 6900$

①  $y = 50 \text{ mi}$

①  $\therefore z = 130$

$$\therefore \frac{dz}{dt} = \frac{1}{130} (120 \cdot 60 + 50 \cdot 25) = 65 \text{ mi/h} \quad ①$$



6. Estimate  $\sqrt{3.9}$ . Show all work. (Hint: Use local linear approximation)

(9 points)

1] Let  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$  ①

2] Local linear approximation:

①  $f(x) \approx f(x_0) + f'(x_0)(x - x_0)$  for  $x$  close (near) to  $x_0$

3]  $x_0 = 4$  ①

$f(x_0) = f(4) = \sqrt{4} = 2$  ①

①  $f'(x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \quad \therefore \hat{f}'(4) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{4}} = \frac{1}{4}$  ①  
↓  
 $x_0$

$\therefore \sqrt{x} \approx 2 + \frac{1}{4}(x - 4)$  for  $x$  close to 4 ②

$\therefore \sqrt{3.9} \approx 2 + \frac{1}{4}(3.9 - 4) = 2 + \frac{1}{4}(-.1) = 2 - .025 = 1.975$  ①

7. Let  $f(x) = 4x - \sin 3x$ ,  $-\frac{\pi}{6} < x < \frac{\pi}{6}$ .

(9 points)

(a) Show that  $f(x)$  is a one-to-one function.

(b) Show that  $f^{-1}(x)$  is differentiable on the interval  $(-\frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{\pi}{6})$ .

(c) Find a formula for the derivative of  $f^{-1}$ .

(a)  $f'(x) = 4 - 3\cos 3x$

$$-1 \leq \cos 3x \leq 1$$

$$+3 \geq -3\cos 3x \geq -3$$

$$\therefore -3 \leq -3\cos 3x \leq 3$$

$$4-3 \leq 4-3\cos 3x \leq 4+3$$

$$1 \leq \underbrace{4-3\cos 3x}_{f'(x)} \leq 7$$

$$1 \leq \bar{f}'(x) \leq 7$$

$\therefore f(x)$  is an increasing fun.  $\Rightarrow$

$$\boxed{f \text{ is 1-1}}$$

(b) (1)  $D_f = (-\frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{\pi}{6})$  open interval

(2)  $f(x) = 4x - \sin 3x$  Diff. on  $(-\frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{\pi}{6})$

poly everywhere  $\swarrow$  diff everywhere  $\leftarrow$

(3) from (a)  $f$  1-1

$\therefore (\bar{f}')'$  exist,  $\forall$  (for all)  $\bar{f}(x) \neq 0$  ( $x \in D_f$ )

but  $\bar{f}(x) > 0$  in its domain.

Hence  $(\bar{f}')'$  is differentiable on  $(-\frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{\pi}{6})$ .

(c)  $(\bar{f}')' = \frac{1}{f'(\bar{f}(x))}$

$$\therefore \boxed{(\bar{f}')' = \frac{1}{4-3\cos 3y}}$$

let  $y = \bar{f}(x) \Rightarrow$

$$\bar{f}(x) = 4 - 3\cos 3x$$

$$\bar{f}'(\bar{f}(x)) = \bar{f}'(y) = 4 - 3\cos 3y$$

$\leftarrow \bar{f}(y) = 4y - \sin 3y$   
you can find  $y$   
by implicit diff.  
too.

8. Solve for  $x$ ,  $\log_{e^2}^{(7-x)^2} + \ln(3x+5) = \ln(24x)$ .

(8 points)

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \frac{1}{2} \log_e^{(7-x)^2} + \ln(3x+5) = \ln(24x)$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \log_e^{(7-x)} + \ln(3x+5) = \ln(24x)$$

$$\ln(7-x) + \ln(3x+5) = \ln(24x)$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \ln(7-x)(3x+5) = \ln(24x)$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad (7-x)(3x+5) = 24x$$

$$21x + 35 - 3x^2 - 5x = 24x$$

$$\therefore -3x^2 + 16x + 35 - 24x = 0$$

$$-3x^2 - 8x + 35 = 0$$

$$3x^2 + 8x - 35 = 0$$

$$(3x-7)(x+5) = 0$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \therefore x = \frac{7}{3} \quad \text{or} \quad \textcircled{1} \quad x = -5$$

rejected  $\textcircled{1}$   
not in the domain  
of  $\ln 24x$

$$\therefore S = \left\{ \frac{7}{3} \right\} \quad (\text{check H!})$$

9. Find the inverse of  $f(x) = 3 - e^{x-2}$ .  $D_f = (-\infty, \infty)$  exponential fun

$$\textcircled{1} \quad y = 3 - e^{x-2} \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad R_f = (-\infty, 3)$$

(8 points)

$$\textcircled{2} \quad y - 3 = -e^{x-2}$$

$$3 - y = e^{x-2}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \ln(3-y) = \ln e^{x-2} \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$x-2 = \ln(3-y)$$

$$x = 2 + \ln(3-y) \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad y = 2 + \ln(3-x)$$

$$\textcircled{5} \quad f^{-1}(x) = 2 + \ln(3-x),$$

$$x < 3$$

from its graph

