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Math 141, Exam 3, Spring 2009

The exam is worth a total of 50 points. There are 10 questions on 5 pages. Each problem is worth 5 points. **SHOW your work. Make your work be coherent and clear.** Write in complete sentences whenever this is possible. **CIRCLE** your answer. **CHECK** your answer whenever possible. **No Calculators.**

I will post the solutions on my website on Monday, March 9.

1. Let $y = \sin(\sqrt{2x^2 + \pi x})$. Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$.

We have

$$y' = \frac{(4x + \pi) \cos(\sqrt{2x^2 + \pi x})}{2\sqrt{2x^2 + \pi x}}.$$

2. Let $y = \ln(\sin(4x))$. Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$.

We have

$$y' = \frac{4 \cos(4x)}{\sin(4x)}.$$

3. Let $4x^2y^3 + 9 \cos y = 10x$. Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$.

Take $\frac{d}{dx}$ of both sides to get

$$12x^2y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} + 8xy^3 - 9(\sin y) \frac{dy}{dx} = 10.$$

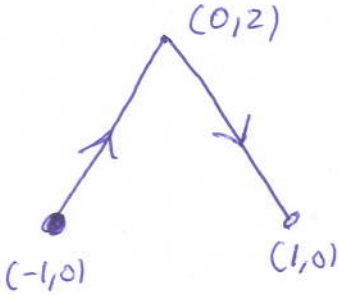
Solve for $\frac{dy}{dx}$ to see that

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{10 - 8xy^3}{12x^2y^2 - 9 \sin y}.$$

4. Find the equation of the line tangent to $f(x) = x^{10} + 2x$ at $x = 1$.

We want the line through $(1, f(1)) = (1, 3)$ with slope equal to $f'(1)$. We calculate $f'(x) = 10x^9 + 2$. Thus, $f'(1) = 12$ and the tangent line is $y - 3 = 12(x - 1)$.

5. Parameterize the curve pictured below. Use t as your parameter with $0 \leq t \leq 2$. The point that corresponds to $t = 0$ is $(-1, 0)$. The point that corresponds to $t = 1$ is $(0, 2)$. The point that corresponds to $t = 2$ is $(1, 0)$. (Note: Each part of the curve that looks like a line segment is a line segment.)



The first leg of the trip takes place on the line $y = 2x + 2$. For this leg, $x(t) = t - 1$ and $y(t) = 2(t - 1) + 2$. The second leg of the trip takes place on the line $y(t) = -2x + 2$. For this leg of the trip, $x(t) = t - 1$ and $y(t) = -2(t - 1) + 2$. Thus the trip is parameterized by

$$\begin{array}{l} x(t) = t - 1 \quad \text{for } 0 \leq t \leq 2 \\ y(t) = \begin{cases} 2t & \text{for } 0 \leq t \leq 1 \\ -2t + 4 & \text{for } 1 \leq t \leq 2 \end{cases} \end{array}$$

6. The height of an object above the ground is given by $y(t) = -16t^2 + 32t + 48$, where y is measured in feet and t is measured in seconds. Find the velocity of the object when it hits the ground. Be sure to give units.

The object hits the ground when $y(t) = 0$; so, $-16(t^2 - 2t - 3) = 0$; so, $-16(t - 3)(t + 1) = 0$. The object hits the ground when $t = -1$ or $t = 3$. Of course, $t = -1$ is not relevant. The object hits the ground when $t = 3$. The

velocity of the object is given by $v(t) = y'(t) = -32t + 32$. The velocity of the object when it hits the ground is $v(3) = -32(3) + 32 = \boxed{-64 \text{ ft/sec}}$.

7. Compute $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{2}{x}\right)^{3x}$.

We know that $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{r}{x}\right)^x = e^r$, for any constant r . We apply this formula with $r = -2$:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{2}{x}\right)^{3x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\left(1 + \frac{-2}{x}\right)^x\right)^3 = (e^{-2})^3 = \boxed{e^{-6}}.$$

8. Let $f(x) = \sin(x)$. Use the DEFINITION OF THE DERIVATIVE to find $f'(x)$.

We have

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(x+h) - \sin x}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x \cos h + \cos x \sin h - \sin x}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(\sin x \frac{\cos h - 1}{h} + \cos x \frac{\sin h}{h} \right). \end{aligned}$$

We saw in class that $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin h}{h} = 1$. We also saw that $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos h - 1}{h} = 0$. We conclude that $f'(x) = \cos x$.

9. Each side of a square is growing at the rate of 2 in/sec. How fast is the area of the square growing when each side has length 10 inches? Be sure to give units.



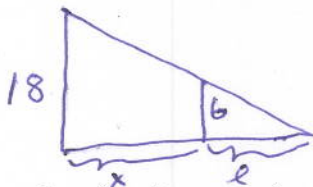
Let ℓ be the length of each side of the square, and A be the area of the square. We are told that $\frac{d\ell}{dt} = 2$ in/sec. We are to find $\left. \frac{dA}{dt} \right|_{\ell=10 \text{ in}}$. We take $\frac{d}{dt}$ of both sides of $A = \ell^2$ to see that

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = 2\ell \frac{d\ell}{dt}.$$

Plug in to learn

$$\left. \frac{dA}{dt} \right|_{\ell=10 \text{ in}} = 2(10 \text{ in})(2 \text{ in/sec}) = \boxed{40 \text{ in}^2/\text{sec}.}$$

10. A man 6 feet tall is walking away from an 18 foot tall street light at the rate of 3 ft/sec. At what rate is his shadow lengthening? Be sure to give units.



Let x be the distance from the man to the light pole and ℓ be the length of his shadow. We are told $\frac{dx}{dt} = 3$ ft/sec. We want to find $\frac{d\ell}{dt}$. Use similar triangles to see that

$$\frac{\ell}{6} = \frac{\ell + x}{18}.$$

Clean the last equation up to see $3\ell = \ell + x$ or $2\ell = x$. Take the derivative to learn $2\frac{d\ell}{dt} = \frac{dx}{dt}$. We conclude that $\boxed{\frac{d\ell}{dt} = \frac{3}{2} \text{ ft/sec}.}$