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Exam 2

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Write answers in spaces provided. You have 50 minutes to complete this exam.

1. (a) (2 points) State the limit definition of the derivative of a function at a point. (i.e.  $f'(a)$ )

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

- (b) (8 points) If  $f(x) = x^2 + 3x - 5$ , find  $f'(-6)$  using only the limit definition of the derivative.

$$\begin{aligned} f'(-6) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(-6+h) - f(-6)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(-6+h)^2 + 3(-6+h) - 5 - (-6)^2 + 3(-6) + 5}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(-6)^2 - 12h + h^2 + 3(-6) + 3h - 5 - (-6)^2 - 3(-6) + 5}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-9h + h^2}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h(-9+h)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} -9 + h = -9 \end{aligned}$$

- (c) (5 points) Find the equation of the tangent line to the graph of  $f(x) = x^2 + 3x - 5$  at the point  $(-6, 13)$ .  $m = -9$  from part (b) then

$$y - 13 = -9(x + 6)$$

$$y = -9x - 54 + 13$$

$$\text{Answer: } y = -9x - 41$$

2. (5 points) Let  $y = f(x)$  be a function of  $x$ . Explain why the instantaneous rate of change of  $y$  with respect to  $x$  at the point  $x = a$  is given by the derivative of  $f$  at  $a$ . (In particular, discuss average rate of change and its relationship to instantaneous rate of change).

The average rate of change between two points on a graph  $x = a$  and  $x = a+h$  is given by  $\frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{a+h - a} = \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h}$ . Then as  $a+h$  approaches  $a$  by  $h \rightarrow 0$  the average rate of change approaches the instantaneous rate of change. That is  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h}$  is the instantaneous rate of change and also the definition of the derivative.

3. (24 points) Find the derivatives of the following functions. *Do not simplify your answers.* Clearly mark your answer.

(a)  $f(x) = 8x^4 + \sqrt[4]{x^3} + \frac{2}{x^3} + 2^2$

$$f'(x) = 32x^3 + \frac{3}{4}x^{-\frac{1}{4}} - 6x^{-4}$$

(b)  $g(x) = (3x^2 + x) \tan(x)$

$$g'(x) = (6x+1)\tan(x) + (3x^2+x)\sec^2(x)$$

(c)  $h(x) = \frac{5 + \cos x}{x^4 + \csc x}$

$$h'(x) = \frac{-\sin(x)(x^4 + \csc(x)) - (5 + \cos(x))(4x^3 - \csc(x)\cot(x))}{(x^4 + \csc(x))^2}$$

(d)  $F(x) = (8x^3 + \cos x)^{10}$

$$F'(x) = 10(8x^3 + \cos(x))^9(24x^2 - \sin(x))$$

4. (7 points) Find the second derivative,  $f''$ , of  $f(x) = (5x + 4)^4$ .

$$f'(x) = 4(5x+4)^3 \cdot 5 = 20(5x+4)^3$$

$$f''(x) = 60(5x+4)^2 \cdot 5$$

Answer:  $f''(x) = 300(5x+4)^2$

5. (5 points) Let  $f$  and  $g$  be two differentiable functions such that  $f(2) = 3$ ,  $f'(2) = 5$ ,  $g(2) = 6$ , and  $g'(2) = -1$ . If  $h(x) = 2f(x)g(x) - g(x)^2$  find  $h'(2)$ .

$$h'(2) = 2(f'(2)g(2) + g'(2)f(2)) - 2g(2)g'(2)$$

$$= 2(5 \cdot 6 + (-1)3) - 2(6)(-1)$$

$$= 2(30 - 3) + 12$$

$$= 2(27) + 12 = 54 + 12 = 66$$

Answer:  $h'(2) = 66$

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6. (7 points) Find the slope of the line tangent to the ellipse  $9x^2 + 16y^2 = 25$  at the point  $(1, 1)$ .

$$18x + 32yy' = 0$$

$$y' = -\frac{18x}{32y} = -\frac{9x}{16y}$$

$$y'|_{(1,1)} = -\frac{9}{16}$$

Answer: The slope of the tangent line is  $-\frac{9}{16}$

7. (7 points) Find  $y'$  (the derivative of  $y$  with respect to  $x$ ) if  $3x + y^2 + \cos y + x^2y^3 = 2$ .

$$3 + 2yy' + (-\sin y)y' + 2xy^3 + 3x^2y^2y' = 0$$

$$y'(2y - \sin y) + 3x^2y^2 = -2xy^3 - 3$$

$$y' = \frac{-2xy^3 - 3}{2y - \sin y + 3x^2y^2}$$

Answer:  $y' = \frac{-2xy^3 - 3}{2y - \sin y + 3x^2y^2}$

8. (10 points) A particle moves along a straight line and its position (in feet) at time  $t$  (in seconds) is given by  $s(t) = 5t^2 - 40t + 60$ .

- (a) Find the velocity and acceleration of the particle at time  $t = 3$

$$s'(t) = 10t - 40$$

$$s''(t) = 10$$

$v(t) = 10t - 40$ ,  $v(3) = -10$  ft per second

$a(t) = 10$ ,  $a(3) = 10$  ft per second<sup>2</sup>

- (b) Determine the time  $t$  at which the particle is not moving.

$$s'(t) = 10t - 40 = 0$$

$$t = 4$$

Answer:  $t = 4$  seconds

9. (10 points) A large spherical balloon is being inflated with helium at a rate of 200 cubic meters of air per minute. Let  $r$  be the radius of the balloon,  $V$  be its volume, and  $t$  be time. (Note:  $V = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$ )

(a) What is the rate of change of the radius of the balloon when the radius is 2 meters?

$$V = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3 \quad \text{so} \quad \frac{dV}{dt} = \frac{dV}{dr} \cdot \frac{dr}{dt} \quad \text{by chain rule}$$

$$\frac{dV}{dr} = 4\pi r^2$$

$$200 \frac{m^3}{min} = 4\pi r^2 \cdot \frac{dr}{dt}$$

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = 200 \frac{m^3}{min} \quad \text{or} \quad \left. \frac{dr}{dt} \right|_{r=2} = \frac{200 \frac{m^3}{min}}{4\pi(2m)^2} = \frac{12.5}{\pi} \frac{m}{min} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{25}{2\pi} \frac{m}{min}$$

Answer:  $\frac{12.5}{\pi}$  meters per minute

(b) What is the rate of change of the radius of the balloon when the radius is 10 meters?

From above  $\left. \frac{dr}{dt} \right|_{r=10} = \frac{200 \frac{m^3}{min}}{4\pi(10m)^2} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{m}{min}$

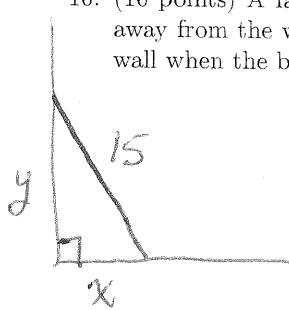
Answer:  $\frac{1}{2\pi}$  meters per minute

(c) Using complete sentences, compare these two values give an explanation for why they are different.

When  $r=2$  the balloon is small and the volume small compared to the rate that it is filling, but when  $r=10$  the balloon is larger and its volume is much larger than the rate it is filling. The change in radius slows as the balloon grows ~~since~~ the volume grows much more quickly than the radius (cubic versus linear).

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10. (10 points) A ladder 15 feet long rests against a vertical wall. If the bottom of the ladder is pulled away from the wall at a speed of 3 feet per second, how fast is the top of the ladder sliding down the wall when the base is 9 feet from the wall?



Let  $x$  be the distance of the bottom of the ladder to the wall.  
Let  $y$  be the distance of the top of the ladder to the ground.

By Pythagorean theorem  $x^2 + y^2 = (15)^2$

By implicit differentiation  $2x \frac{dx}{dt} + 2y \frac{dy}{dt} = 0$  or  $\frac{dy}{dt} = -\frac{x \frac{dx}{dt}}{y}$

When  $x=9$   $y = \sqrt{15^2 - 9^2} = 12$  by pythagorean again.

$$\text{So } \left. \frac{dy}{dt} \right|_{x=9, y=12} = \frac{-9 \cdot 3 \text{ ft/sec}}{12} = -\frac{9}{4} \text{ ft/sec}$$

Answer: The top of the ladder is sliding down at a rate of  $-\frac{9}{4}$  ft/sec

