

Mathematics 108

Chapter 2 Test

No calculators allowed. Show all work neatly. Please put your answers in the spaces provided or in boxes

Name: ANSWER KEY A

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1. Use the limit definition of the derivative, that is $f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$, to find the derivative of $f(x) = 5x - 3x^2$. You may check your answer with the power rule, but you must show all steps of your reasoning to get any credit for this answer.

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{5(x+h) - 3(x+h)^2 - (5x - 3x^2)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{5x + 5h - 3x^2 - 6xh - 3h^2 - 5x + 3x^2}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{5h - 6xh - 3h^2}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h(5 - 6x - 3h)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 5 - 6x - 3h = \boxed{5 - 6x}$$

2. Find the following derivatives, using any correct techniques. Unless otherwise specified, you do not have to simplify your answers.

a) $f(x) = \frac{4x-3}{x^2+4}$ Use Quotient Rule.

$$f'(x) = \frac{-4x^2 + 6x + 16}{(x^2+4)^2}$$

(simplify the numerator)

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

$$f = 4x-3 \quad g = x^2+4$$

$$f' = 4 \quad g' = 2x$$

$$= \frac{4x^2 + 16 - 8x^2 + 6x}{(x^2+4)^2}$$

b) $f(x) = (x^2 - 2x)(5 - \frac{1}{x^2})$ (expand)

$$f'(x) = \frac{10x - 10 - 2x^{-2}}{(x^2+4)^2} \text{ OR}$$

$$f'(x) = (2x-2)(5-x^{-2}) + 2x^{-3}(x^2-2x)$$

Product Rule: $f = x^2 - 2x \quad g = 5 - x^{-2}$

$$f' = 2x - 2 \quad g' = 2x^{-3}$$

c) $f(x) = \sqrt[4]{3x^2 - 4} = (3x^2 - 4)^{1/4}$

$$f'(x) = \frac{3/2 \times (3x^2 - 4)^{-3/4}}{(x^2+4)^2}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{4}(3x^2 - 4)^{-3/4}(6x) = \frac{6x}{4(3x^2 - 4)^{3/4}}$$

chain rule

3. Find the first and second derivatives of each of the following:

a) $f(x) = 2x^2 + \frac{7}{x} = 2x^2 + 7x^{-1}$

$$f'(x) = 4x - 7x^{-2}$$

$$f''(x) = 4 + 14x^{-3}$$

b) $f(x) = (x^4 - 2)^6$

$$f'(x) = 6(x^4 - 2)^5(4x^3) = 24x^3(x^4 - 2)^5$$

$$f''(x) = \frac{24x^3(20x^3)(x^4 - 2)^4 + 72x^2(x^4 - 2)^5}{(x^4 - 2)^5}$$

$$f = 24x^3 \quad g = (x^4 - 2)^5$$

$$f' = 72x^2 \quad g' = 5(x^4 - 2)^4(4x^3)$$

14 pts.

4. Find an equation of the line tangent to $f(x) = x^3(2-3x^3)$ at $x=1$.3 I. Point: plug $x=1$ into $f(x)$ to get y : $f(1) = 1^3(2-3 \cdot 1^3) = -1$ $(1, -1)$ is the point.4 II. Slope: find $f'(x) = 3x^2(2-3x^3) + (-9x^2)(x^3)$ (product rule or $\uparrow = 2x^3 - 3x^6$, so $f'(x) = 6x^2 - 18x^5$)
 $f'(1) = m_{\text{tan}} = 3 \cdot 1(2-3(1)^3) - 9(1) = 3(1) - 9 = -6$
 $= -3 - 9 = -12 = m_{\text{tan}}$ 3 III. Line: $y - (-1) = -12(x - 1)$: $y + 1 = -12x + 12$; $y = -12x + 11$

12 pts.

5. An upscale fast food restaurant has determined that the relationship between the price p , in dollars, at which it can sell hamburgers and the quantity q that it can sell is $p = \frac{80,000 - q}{20,000}$.a) Find the revenue function as a function of the quantity of hamburgers sold (ie, find $R(q)$).

$$R(q) = q \cdot \left(\frac{80,000 - q}{20,000} \right) = \frac{80,000q - q^2}{20,000} = \frac{1}{20,000} (80,000q - q^2)$$

b) Find the marginal revenue function.

$$R'(q) = \frac{1}{20,000} \cdot (80,000 - 2q) = \frac{80,000 - 2q}{20,000}$$

c) Use the marginal revenue function to estimate the revenue from the sale of the 10,001st hamburger and interpret your result (tell me in words, with units, what your answer means.)

$$R'(10,000) = \frac{1}{20,000} (80,000 - 2(10,000)) = \frac{1}{20,000} (80,000 - 20,000) = \frac{60,000}{20,000} = \$3/\text{hamburger}$$

10 pts.

6. When a company produces and sells x thousand units per week, its total weekly profit is P thousand dollars, where $P = \frac{300x}{200 + x^2}$.The production level, in thousands of units, at t weeks from the present is $x = 2 + 3t$.Find the function that models how fast profits are changing with respect to time (that is, find $\frac{dP}{dt}$). You do not need to simplify your answer.

$$P(t) = \frac{300(2+3t)}{200 + (2+3t)^2} = \frac{600 + 900t}{200 + 4 + 12t + 9t^2} = \frac{600 + 900t}{204 + 12t + 9t^2}$$

$$P'(t) = \frac{900(204 + 12t + 9t^2) - (12 + 18t)(600 + 900t)}{(204 + 12t + 9t^2)^2}$$

Approach 2: Quotient Rule directly

$$\frac{300(2+3t)}{(200 + (2+3t)^2)^2} = P(t)$$

$$P'(t) = \frac{300 \cdot 3 \cdot [200 + (2+3t)^2] - (300)(2+3t) \cdot 2(2+3t)(3)}{(200 + (2+3t)^2)^3}$$

(Extra credit: What happens to profits in the long run? How do you know?)

(this is asking $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{600 + 900t}{204 + 12t + 9t^2} = 0$ (profits approach 0 as $t \rightarrow \infty$ (power in denominator is > power in numerator))