

Math 151 Fall 2010 Exam II

Solutions-Form B

1. D. An object is moving according to the equation

$s(t) = t^3 - 9t^2 + 15t + 8$. When is the object moving in the negative direction? The object is moving in the negative direction when $v(t) < 0$. Now,

$$v(t) = s'(t) = 3t^2 - 18t + 15 = 3(t-5)(t-1).$$

Solve $v(t) < 0$ yields $1 < t < 5$.

2. E. Find the slope of the tangent line to the parametric curve

$x = e^{-5t}$, $y = t \cos t$ at the point $(1, 0)$. Note first that $t = 0$ yields the point $(1, 0)$. Thus the slope of the tangent line is

$$m = \frac{dy/dt}{dx/dt} \text{ evaluated at } t = 0.$$

$$m = \frac{dy/dt}{dx/dt} = \frac{\cos t - t \sin t}{-5e^{-5t}}. \text{ Substitute } t = 0 \text{ yields}$$

$$m = -\frac{1}{5}$$

3. A. Find the linear approximation, $L(x)$, of

$f(x) = \sqrt{x^2 + 9}$ at $x = -4$. The linear approximation for $f(x)$ at $x = -4$ is

$$L(x) = f(-4) + f'(-4)(x - (-4)).$$

$$f(-4) = \sqrt{25} = 5. \text{ Since } f'(x) = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + 9}}, \text{ it follows}$$

$$\text{that } f'(-4) = \frac{-4}{5}. \text{ Thus}$$

$$L(x) = 5 - \frac{4}{5}(x + 4) \text{ or } L(x) = \frac{9}{5} - \frac{4}{5}x.$$

4. C. $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{t^3}{\sin^3(2t)} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{t}{\sin(2t)} \right)^3$

$$= \frac{1}{8} \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{2t}{\sin(2t)} \right)^3.$$

Now, since $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \theta}{\theta} = 1$, it follows that $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\theta}{\sin \theta} = 1$.

$$\text{Thus } \frac{1}{8} \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{2t}{\sin(2t)} \right)^3 = \frac{1}{8}(1)^3 = \frac{1}{8}$$

5. D. Find a unit tangent vector to the curve

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \left\langle \frac{2}{t} + 1, t\sqrt{t} + \frac{t}{2} \right\rangle \text{ at } t = 1.$$

$$\mathbf{r}'(t) = \left\langle -\frac{2}{t^2}, \frac{3}{2}t^{1/2} + \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle. \text{ Thus the tangent vector at}$$

$t = 1$ is $\mathbf{r}'(1) = \langle -2, 2 \rangle$. Divide by the magnitude to make the tangent vector a unit vector yields

$$\frac{\langle -2, 2 \rangle}{\sqrt{8}} = \left\langle \frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right\rangle$$

6. E. If $g(x) = f(x^3) + (f(x))^3$, $f(1) = 2$, $f'(1) = -3$, find $g'(1)$. By the chain rule,

$$g'(x) = f'(x^3)3x^2 + 3(f(x))^2 f'(x).$$

$$\text{Thus } g'(1) = f'(1)3(1)^2 + 3(f(1))^2 f'(1)$$

$$= (-3)(3) + 3(4)(-3) = -45$$

7. B. Find the slope of the tangent line to the curve

$y^3 - xy = 2x + 4$ at the point $(1, 2)$. Differentiating implicitly, $3y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} - y - x \frac{dy}{dx} = 2$. Solve for $\frac{dy}{dx}$ yields

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2+y}{3y^2-x}. \text{ Substitute } x = 1 \text{ and } y = 2 \text{ gives us a}$$

$$\text{slope of } m = \frac{4}{11}.$$

8. D. If $g(x)$ is the inverse of $f(x) = \sqrt{x^3 + x + 6}$, find $g'(4)$.

We know that $g'(4) = \frac{1}{f'(g(4))}$. Now, since $f(2) = 4$, it follows that $g(4) = 2$. Hence,

$$g'(4) = \frac{1}{f'(g(4))} = \frac{1}{f'(2)}.$$

$$\text{Now, } f'(x) = \frac{1}{2}(x^3 + x + 6)^{-1/2}(3x^2 + 1).$$

$$\text{Thus, } f'(2) = \frac{1}{2}(16)^{-1/2}(13) = \frac{13}{8}. \text{ Hence,}$$

$$g'(4) = \frac{1}{f'(g(4))} = \frac{1}{f'(2)} = \frac{8}{13}$$

9. A. Find $f'\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)$ for $f(x) = x \sin x \cos x$. By the product rule, $f'(x) = \sin x \cos x + x(\cos^2 x - \sin^2 x)$. Thus

$$f'\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + \frac{\pi}{4} \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \right) = \frac{1}{2}$$

10. E. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4^-} \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^{\frac{x}{x-4}} = \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^{\lim_{x \rightarrow 4^-} \frac{x}{x-4}} = \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^{-\infty} = \infty$.

11. D. The graph of the curve $y = x + \frac{1}{3} \cos 3x$ has a horizontal tangent at $x = ?$. $f(x)$ has a horizontal tangent where $f'(x) = 0$. Thus $1 - \sin(3x) = 0$, hence $\sin(3x) = 1$ yielding $x = \frac{\pi}{6}$.

12. Given that $s(t) = e^{-3t} \cos(2t)$ is the equation of motion of an object, find

(i) The velocity at time t . By the product and chain rule,

$$v(t) = s'(t) = -3e^{-3t} \cos(2t) + e^{-3t}(-2 \sin(2t)) \\ = -e^{-3t}(3 \cos(2t) + 2 \sin(2t)).$$

(ii) The acceleration at time t . $a(t) = v'(t) = s''(t)$

$$= 3e^{-3t}(3 \cos(2t) + 2 \sin(2t)) - e^{-3t}(-6 \sin(2t) + 4 \cos(2t))$$

13. Find the equation of the tangent line to the curve

$y = \sqrt{x + \sqrt{8 + x}}$ at $x = 1$. The point of tangency is $(1, 2)$. The slope of the tangent line is found by taking the derivative of y and then substituting $x = 1$.

$$y = (x + (8 + x)^{1/2})^{1/2}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2} \left(x + (8 + x)^{1/2} \right)^{-1/2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2}(8 + x)^{-1/2} \right).$$

When $x = 1$, $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{24}$. Thus the equation of the tangent line is

$$y - 2 = \frac{7}{24}(x - 1) \text{ or } y = \frac{7}{24}x + \frac{41}{24}.$$

14. Use differentials (or a linear approximation) to estimate $(1.02)^{10}$.

Let $f(x) = x^{10}$, $a = 1$ and therefore $dx = 0.02$. Using differentials,

$$\begin{aligned} f(1.02) &= (1.02)^{10} \approx f(1) + f'(1)(0.02) \\ &= 1 + 10(0.02) = 1.2 \end{aligned}$$

15. The volume of a cube is increasing at a rate of 10 cubic centimeters per minute. How fast is the surface area increasing when the length of the edge is 30 cm?

The volume of a cube is $V = x^3$. The surface area is $A = 6x^2$. We want to express the surface area in terms of the volume. Solve $V = x^3$ for x yields $x = \sqrt[3]{V}$.

Thus, $A = 6V^{2/3}$. $\frac{dA}{dt} = 4V^{-1/3} \frac{dV}{dt}$. Now, when $x = 30$, $V = 30^3$. Thus $\frac{dA}{dt} = 4(30^3)^{-1/3}(10) = \frac{4}{3}$ square cm per minute.

16. Find $f'(t)$ for the following functions:

(i) $f(t) = \tan^3(t^2 + a^2)$

$$f'(t) = 3 \tan^2(t^2 + a^2) \sec^2(t^2 + a^2)(2t)$$

(ii) $f(t) = e^{t+\sqrt{t}}$

$$f'(t) = \left(1 + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{t}} \right) e^{t+\sqrt{t}}$$