

Instructions: Show all of your work, and clearly indicate your answers.

Q1 Let $f(x) = \sqrt{3x-2}$. Compute f' at $x = 2$ by the definition (that is, use the four step process)

Solution:

Q2 Show that the function $f(x) = x|x|$ is differentiable at every real number.

Solution:

Q3 Let $f(x) = \frac{1}{x+1}$.

(a) Write the derivative $f'(3)$ as a limit of an appropriate difference quotient.

(b) Evaluate this limit to find $f'(3)$.

Solution:

Q4 Let f be a function on \mathbb{R} which is continuous at 0 with $f(0) = 2$. Show that if g is the function defined by $g(x) := xf(x)$, then g is differentiable at 0. Moreover compute $g'(0)$.

Solution:

Q5 Determine whether or not $f'(0)$ exists.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x \sin \frac{1}{x}, & x \neq 0 \\ 0, & x = 0 \end{cases}$$

Solution:

Q6 Determine whether or not $f'(0)$ exists

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 \sin \frac{1}{x}, & x \neq 0 \\ 0, & x = 0 \end{cases}$$

Solution:

Q7 Find the derivatives of the following functions at $x = 3$ given $f(3) = 6$, $f'(3) = 0$, $f(1) = 1$, $f'(1) = 5$, $g(3) = 1$, $g'(3) = 2$, $g(4) = 2g'(4) = 1$, $h(3) = 4$, and $h'(3) = 2$

1. $f(g(x))h(x)$

2. $\frac{f(x)}{g(h(x))}$

Solution:

Q8 Find y' if

$$y = \tan(\cos(\cos(x^2)))$$

Find $y^{(1123)}$ if

$$y = \sin^2 x$$

Solution:

Q9 Given the following functions find y'

Solution:

Q10 The leaning Tower of Pisa is 180 feet high. A ball dropped from the top will fall $16t^2$ feet in t seconds.

1. Hence the ball will be _____ feet above the ground t seconds after release.

2. After one second, the ball will be _____ feet above the ground.

3. After two seconds, the ball will be _____ feet above the ground.

4. During the first second, the ball will drops _____ feet. During the next second. it drops _____ feet.

5. At time t the ball is $180 - 16t^2$ feet above the ground. One second later, at a time $t + 1$, it is _____ feet above the ground.

6. During the one second interval between time t and $t + 1$, the ball drops _____

Solution:

Q11 Find an equation of the tangent line to the curve with parametric equations $x = t \sin t$; $y = t \cos t$ at the point $(0, -\pi)$

Solution:

Q12 Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ by implicit differentiation $\cos(x - y) = xe^x$

Solution:

Q13 Show that the sum of the x and y intercepts of any tangent line to the curve $\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y} = \sqrt{c}$ is equal to c .

Solution:

Q14 Find y' if $x^y = y^x$

Solution:

Q15 If a snowball melts so that its surface area decreases at a rate of $1 \frac{cm^2}{min}$, find the rate at which the diameter decreases when the diameter is 10 cm.

Solution:

Q16 The altitude of a triangle is increasing at a rate of $1 \frac{cm}{min}$ while the area of the triangle is increasing at a rate of $2 \frac{cm^2}{min}$. At what rate is the base of the triangle changing when the altitude is 10 cm and the area is 100 cm^2

Solution:

Q17 Show how the Mean Value Theorem applies to $f(x) = x^3 - 6x + 1$ on $[0, 3]$.

Solution:

Q18 Show there does not exist a differentiable function on $[1, 5]$ with $f(1) = -3$ and $f(5) = 9$ with $f'(x) \leq 2$ for all x .

Solution:

Q19 Show how Rolles theorem applies to $f(x) = x^2 - 5x$ on $[1, 4]$

Solution:

Q20 $f(0) = 1$, $f'(x)$ exists for all values of x and $f'(x) \leq 4$ for all x , how large can $f(2)$ possibly be?.

Solution:

Q21 Find the absolute maximum and absolute minimum values of $f(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 9x + 2$ on $[-1, 4]$.

Solution:

Q22 The pressure P of a certain gas is related to its volume V according to the equation $P = \frac{2}{V}$. Find the rate of change of pressure with respect to its volume.

Solution:

Q23 The strength S of a certain beam is related to its thickness t by the equation $S = 2t^2$. Find the rate at which the strength of the beam increases with respect to its thickness.

Solution:

Q24 Find the rate of change of the area of a circle with respect to its radius.

Solution:

The area A of a circle of radius r is $A = \pi r^2$. The required rate of change is

$$\frac{dA}{dr} = 2\pi r$$

Q25 Find the rate of change of the volume V of a cube with respect to its side s when its side is 6cm .

Solution:

Q26 Determine whether the function $f(x) = \frac{1}{x+1}$ is differentiable on the closed interval $[-2, 0]$.

Solution:

Q27 The volume of a sphere of radius r is decreasing at the rate of $6\text{cm}^3/\text{hr}$. At what rate is its surface area decreasing when its radius is 40 cm ?

Solution:

Q28 If $y = A \sin(\ln x) + B \cos(\ln x)$, where A and B are constants, show that

$$x^2 y'' + xy' + y = 0.$$

Solution:

Q29 Find the first and second derivative of

$$f(x) = \tan(\ln x^2).$$

Solution:

Q30 Let $f(x) = \frac{x^3+1}{x}$.

1. Find $f'(x)$

2. Find all the points $P(a, f(a))$ where the tangent line to the curve $y = f(x)$ is horizontal, **and** write down the equation of the tangent line at such points.

Solution:

Q32 If $s = \frac{2t+5}{t^2-1}$ represents the displacement of a moving particle at time t , what is the velocity v at $t = 0$?

Solution:

Q33 Let $y = u^7 + 7u$; $u = 3x + 71$. Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$.

Solution:

By chain rule

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \frac{du}{dx} = (7u^6 + 7) \cdot 3 = 21u^6 + 21 = 21(3x + 71)^6 + 21.$$

Q34 Use the Mean Value Theorem to prove that $|\sin b - \sin a| \leq |b - a|$.

Solution:

Q35 Let $f(x) = x^3 - 3x + 1$.

- $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = ?$ $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = ?$
- Are there any absolute maximum or minimum points? Where are they if they exist?
- Find the local maximum point(s) and local minimum point(s), respectively.
- Find the local maximum point(s) and local minimum point(s), respectively.
- Find the point(s) of inflection.

Solution:

Q36 Let $y = \frac{\sin x}{\cos x}$. Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ and $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$.

Solution:

Q37 The graph of the equation

$$xy + 4 = x + y^2$$

is a curve that crosses the y -axis at two points, P and Q . Find the point where the tangent lines to the curve at P and at Q cross.

Solution:

Q38 Find an equation for the tangent line to the curve

$$x^2 + xy - y^2 = 1$$

at the point $P_0(2, 3)$.

Solution:

Q39 A ladder 26 ft long leans against a vertical wall. The foot of the ladder is being drawn away from the wall at a rate of 4 ft/sec. How fast is the top of the ladder sliding down the wall at the instant when the foot of the ladder is 10 ft from the wall?

Solution:

Q40 A point moves along the curve $y^2 = x^3$ in such a way that its distance from the origin increases at a constant rate of two units per second. Find dx/dt at the point $(x, y) = (2, 2\sqrt{2})$.

Solution:

Q41 Compute $\frac{dy}{dx}$ for the relation

$$e^{xy} + y^2 = x.$$

Show your work.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx}(e^{xy} + y^2) &= \frac{d}{dx}(x), \\ e^{xy} \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(xy) + 2y \frac{dy}{dx} &= 1, \\ e^{xy} \left(y + x \frac{dy}{dx} \right) + 2y \frac{dy}{dx} &= 1, \\ xe^{xy} \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y \frac{dy}{dx} &= 1 - ye^{xy}, \\ (xe^{xy} + 2y) \frac{dy}{dx} &= 1 - ye^{xy}, \\ \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{1 - ye^{xy}}{xe^{xy} + 2y}. \end{aligned}$$

Q42 Use the definition of the derivative to compute the derivative of $g(x) = -x^2 - 4x + 1$. Show your work.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} g'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(x+h) - g(x)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{[-(x+h)^2 - 4(x+h) + 1] - [-x^2 - 4x + 1]}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{[-(x^2 + 2xh + h^2) - 4x - 4h + 1] - [-x^2 - 4x + 1]}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-x^2 - 2xh - h^2 - 4x - 4h + 1 + x^2 + 4x - 1}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-2xh - h^2 - 4h}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} (-2x - h - 4) \\ &= -2x - 0 - 4 = -2x - 4. \end{aligned}$$

Q43 Let f be a function which satisfies $f(2) = 4$, $f(4) = 9$, $f'(2) = 2$, and $f'(4) = -6$. Consider the function $h(x) = f(\sqrt{x})$. Compute $h'(4)$. Show your work.

Solution:

Use the Chain Rule to compute $h'(x) = \frac{d}{dx}f(\sqrt{x}) = f'(\sqrt{x}) \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$ and $h'(4) = f'(\sqrt{4}) \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{4}} = \frac{f'(2)}{4} = \frac{2}{4} = \frac{1}{2}$.

Q44 Compute $\frac{dy}{dx}$ for the relation

$$\cos(x^2y) - y^3 = x + 2.$$

Show your work.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx}[\cos(x^2y) - y^3] &= \frac{d}{dx}(x + 2), \\ -\sin(x^2y) \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(x^2y) - 3y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} &= 1, \\ -\sin(x^2y) \cdot \left(2xy + x^2 \frac{dy}{dx}\right) - 3y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} &= 1, \\ -x^2 \sin(x^2y) \frac{dy}{dx} - 3y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} &= 1 + 2xy \sin(x^2y), \\ [-x^2 \sin(x^2y) - 3y^2] \frac{dy}{dx} &= 1 + 2xy \sin(x^2y), \\ \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{1 + 2xy \sin(x^2y)}{-x^2 \sin(x^2y) - 3y^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Q45 Compute the tangent line to the graph of the function $y = \sqrt{x^2 - 5}$ at the point $(x, y) = (3, 2)$. Put your answer in the form $y = mx + b$. Show your work.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} y' &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x^2 - 5}} \cdot 2x \\ &= \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 - 5}}, \\ y'(3) &= \frac{3}{\sqrt{3^2 - 5}} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{4}} = \frac{3}{2}, \\ y - y_0 &= m(x - x_0), \\ y - 2 &= \frac{3}{2}(x - 3), \\ y &= \frac{3}{2} \cdot x - \frac{9}{2} + 2 = \frac{3}{2} \cdot x - \frac{5}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

Q46

Assume the position of a bicycle traveling along a road is $15t + \cos 6t$ miles, with t in hours.

1. Compute the velocity of the bicycle at time t .
2. Compute the acceleration of the bicycle at time t .

Solution:

1. Compute the velocity of the bicycle at time t .

The position is $s = 15t + \cos 6t$ and the velocity is

$$v = s' = 15 - \sin 6t \cdot 6 = 15 - 6 \sin 6t$$

2. Compute the acceleration of the bicycle at time t .

The acceleration $a = v' = 0 - 6 \cos 6t \cdot 6 = -36 \cos 6t$.

Q47

Consider the function $g(x) = x - \ln x$.

1. What is the domain of $g(x)$?
2. Find all the intervals on which g is increasing. Also find all intervals on which g is decreasing. Find all critical points of g . Show your work.
3. Find all intervals on which g is concave up. Find all intervals on which g is concave down. Show your work.

Solution:

1. The domain of $\ln x$ is $x > 0$, and so $x > 0$ is the domain of $g(x)$ also.
2. Compute $g'(x) = 1 - \frac{1}{x}$ and so $g'(x) = 0$ if $1 - \frac{1}{x} = 0$, $x - 1 = 0$, $x = 1$. So $x = 1$ is the only critical point in the domain $(0, \infty)$. Now check the sign of $g'(x)$ for x in the subintervals $(0, 1)$ and $(1, \infty)$: if $x = \frac{1}{2}$, $g'(\frac{1}{2}) = 1 - \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}} = 1 - 2 < 0$. Therefore $g'(x) < 0$ for x in $(0, 1)$. $g(x)$ is decreasing there. On the other hand for $x = 2$, $g'(2) = 1 - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} > 0$, and so $g'(x) > 0$ for x in $(1, \infty)$. So $g(x)$ is increasing there.
3. Compute $g''(x) = \frac{1}{x^2}$. This is always positive. So $g(x)$ is concave up on its domain $(0, \infty)$.

Q48 A box with a square base and open top must have a volume of $32,000 \text{ cm}^3$. Find the dimensions of the box that minimize the amount of material used.

Solution:

Let x, y be the base and height of the box. Then we have:

1. Volume: $V = x^2y = 32,000$

2. $y = \frac{32,000}{x^2}$

3. The surface area of the box is:

$$S = x^2 + 4xy = x^2 + 4x \left(\frac{32,000}{x^2} \right) = x^2 + 4 \left(\frac{32,000}{x} \right)$$

4. Critical points:

$$S' = 2x - 4 \left(\frac{32,000}{x^2} \right) = 0$$

$$\left(\frac{128,000}{x^2} \right) = 2x \implies x^3 = 64,000 \implies x = \sqrt[3]{64,000} = 40$$

5. This is an **absolute minimum** because $S' < 0$ if $x < 40$, and $S' > 0$ if $x > 40$.
6. Therefore the dimensions should be: $40 \times 40 \times 20$

Q49 Show that the rectangle with the largest area inscribed in a circle is a square.

Solution:

Q50 Given f is a continuous function and $f(0) = 0$ use the following table to graph the function f

x	$-\infty$	1	4	6	$+\infty$
$f'(x)$	+	-	-	+	+
$f''(x)$	-	-	+	+	+

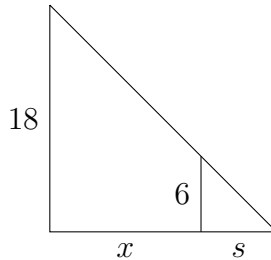
Solution:

Q51

Suppose a 6ft tall person is 12ft away from a 18ft tall lamppost. If the person is moving away from the lamppost at a rate of 2ft/s, at what rate is the length of the shadow changing?

Solution:

Using similar triangles, we have



$$x = 2s$$

so by implicit differentiation,

$$\frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{ds}{dt} = 3 \frac{ds}{dt}$$

$$\frac{ds}{dt} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{dx}{dt}$$

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Q52 Show that if $x, y,$ and z are positive numbers then

$$\frac{(x^2 + 1)(y^2 + 1)(z^2 + 1)}{xyz} \geq 8$$

Solution:

If we minimize each of $f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 1}{x}$, $g(y) = \frac{y^2 + 1}{y}$, and $h(z) = \frac{z^2 + 1}{z}$ then we have minimized the product. Find the minimum of $f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 1}{x}$.

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Therefore

$$\frac{(x^2 + 1)(y^2 + 1)(z^2 + 1)}{xyz} \geq 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 = 8.$$

Q53 Show that for a rectangle of given perimeter 4, the one with the maximum area is a square.

Solution:

The perimeter $P = 4 = 2x + 2y$, while the area $A = xy$. We want to maximize A . It is clear that $x = 2 - y$. Therefore

$$A = xy = (2 - y)y = 2y - y^2.$$

Let us find the critical points.

1. Compute

$$\frac{dA}{dy} = 2 - 2y, \quad \frac{d^2A}{dy^2} = -2.$$

So the only critical point is when $2 - 2y = 0$, which is when $y = 1$.

2. Second derivative test: $A''(1) = -2 < 0$ and the second derivative test shows $y = 1$ is a local maximum. Since this is the only critical point, this must be the global maximum.

3. For $y = 1$, then we find $x = 2 - y = 2 - 1 = 1$.

4. So for the maximum area, the two sides $y = 1$ and $x = 1$, and so the rectangle is a **square**.

Q54 What is the largest possible product you can form from two non-negative numbers whose sum is 30?

Solution:

1. Given information: $x \geq 0, y \geq 0$ and $x + y = 30$
2. We want to maximize the product of x and y .
3. $P = xy$
4. Solve for y in terms of x : $y = 30 - x$
5. $P = x(30 - x) = -x^2 + 30x$
6. We know $x \geq 0$ and $y = 30 - x \geq 0$ so $x \leq 30$.
7. We need to maximize $P = -x^2 + 30x$ on $[0, 30]$.
8. Critical points: $P'(x) = -2x + 30 = 0 \implies x = 15$.
9. Apply extreme value theorem: $P(0) = 0, P(15) = 225, P(30) = 0$
10. Largest product is 225.

Q55 Suppose the product of x and y is 26 and both x and y are positive. What is the minimum possible sum of x and y ?

Solution:

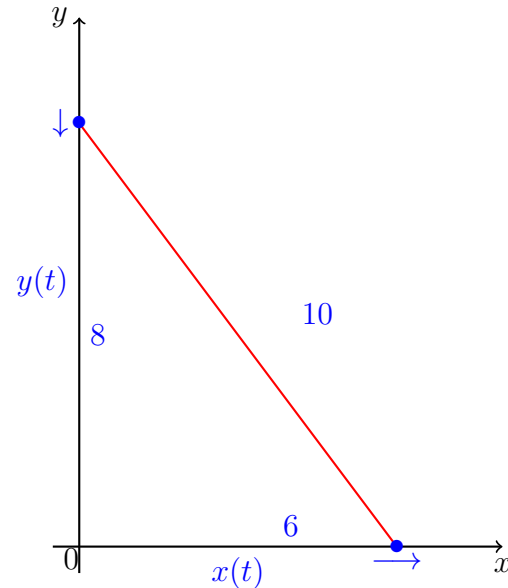
Q56 Let A be the point $(0, 1)$ and let B be the point $(5, 3)$. Find the length of the shortest path that connects points A and B if the path must touch the x -axis. In other words, the path goes from point A to somewhere (say P) on the x -axis, and then to B .

Solution:

minimize $D = \sqrt{1 + x^2} + \sqrt{(5 - x)^2 + 9}$.

Q57 A ladder 10 feet long rests against a vertical wall. If the bottom of the ladder slides away from the wall at a rate of 1 feet/sec, how fast is the top of the ladder sliding down the wall when the bottom of the ladder is 6 feet from the wall?

Solution:



Length of the ladder is $D = 10$. We know $dx/dt = 1 \text{ feet/sec}$. What is $dy/dt = ?$.