

Math 120 Midterm Test 2 Oct. 26, 2007 50 min.

1. Each of these short-answer questions is worth 3 marks. If a correct answer is written in the box provided, you get 3, otherwise you can earn at most 1.

(a) Express  $\ln(3/4)$  in terms of  $\ln(3)$  and  $\ln(2)$ .

$\ln(3) - 2\ln(2)$

$$\begin{aligned}\ln(3/4) &= \ln(3) - \ln(2^2) \\ &= \ln(3) - 2\ln(2)\end{aligned}$$

(b) Compute  $\frac{d}{dx} e^{-\cos(x^2)}$ .

$e^{-\cos(x^2)} \sin(x^2) 2x$

$$= e^{-\cos(x^2)} \{-(-\sin(x^2))\} \cdot 2x = e^{-\cos(x^2)} \sin(x^2) 2x$$

(c) Let  $f$  be a one-to-one differentiable function with  $f(1) = 2$ ,  $f(2) = 1$ ,  $f'(1) = 2$ ,  $f'(2) = 3$ . Let  $g(x) = f^{-1}(x^2)$ . Find  $g'(1)$ .

$2/3$

$$g'(1) = 2x \cdot (f^{-1})'(x^2) \Big|_{x=1} = 2 \cdot \frac{1}{f'(f^{-1}(1))} = \frac{2}{f'(2)} = \frac{2}{3}$$

(d) Find an equation for the tangent line to the graph  $y = \tan(x)$  at  $x = 0$ .

$$y = x$$

$$\bullet \frac{dy}{dx} \Big|_{x=0} = \sec^2(x) \Big|_{x=0} = \frac{1}{\cos^2(0)} = 1$$

$$\bullet \tan(0) = 0$$

$\Rightarrow$  tangent line is  $y = x$

(e) Compute  $\frac{d}{dx} [\ln(x)]^{x^2}$ .

$$[\ln(x)]^{x^2} x (2 \ln(\ln(x)) + \frac{1}{\ln(x)})$$

$$y = [\ln(x)]^{x^2}$$

$$\ln(y) = x^2 \ln(\ln(x))$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{y'}{y} = 2x \ln(\ln(x)) + x^2 \cdot \frac{1}{\ln(x) \cdot x}$$

$$\Rightarrow y' = [\ln(x)]^{x^2} x (2 \ln(\ln(x)) + \frac{1}{\ln(x)})$$

(f) Find  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[ \frac{2 \sin(x)}{x \sin(2x)} - \frac{1}{x} \right]$ .

$$0$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{x} \left[ \frac{2 \sin(x)}{\sin(2x)} - 1 \right] = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{x} \left[ \frac{2 \sin(x)}{2 \sin(x) \cos(x)} - 1 \right]$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos(x)}{x^2 \cos(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - [1 - 2 \sin^2(x/2)]}{x^2 \cos(x)}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[ \frac{\sin(x/2)}{x/2} \right]^2 \frac{\sin(x/2)}{2 \cos(x)} = \left[ \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(x/2)}{x/2} \right]^2 \cdot \frac{\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \sin(x/2)}{2 \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \cos(x)}$$

$$= 0$$

(time 0)

2. An object moving along the real line has initial position 1, initial velocity 1, and acceleration  $a(t) = \sin(2t)$ . Find its position as a function of time.

$$v(t) = -\frac{1}{2} \cos(2t) + C$$

$$v(0) = 1 \Rightarrow -\frac{1}{2} + C = 1 \Rightarrow C = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$x(t) = -\frac{1}{4} \sin(2t) + \frac{3}{2}t + D$$

$$x(0) = 1 \Rightarrow D = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{x(t) = -\frac{1}{4} \sin(2t) + \frac{3}{2}t + 1}$$

3. Solve the initial value problem

$$\begin{cases} dy/dt = 3y - 2 \\ y(1) = 2 \end{cases}$$

to find  $y(t)$ .

$$\text{Set } x(t) = 3y(t) - 2, \text{ so } \frac{dx}{dt} = 3 \frac{dy}{dt} = 3x.$$

$$\text{Hence } x(t) = Ce^{3t}.$$

$$x(1) = 3y(1) - 2 = 3 \cdot 2 - 2 = 4 \Rightarrow 4 = Ce^3$$

$$\Rightarrow C = 4e^{-3}.$$

$$\text{So } x(t) = 4e^{3(t-1)}$$

and so

$$y(t) = \frac{1}{3} [x(t) + 2] =$$

$$\boxed{\frac{4}{3} e^{3(t-1)} + \frac{2}{3}}$$

(4) 4. Let  $f(x) = 2x \ln(x)$ . Find the largest interval on which  $f$  is a one-to-one function. Compute  $[f^{-1}]'(e)$ .

$$f'(x) = 2(\ln(x) + 1) = 0 \quad \text{if} \quad \ln(x) = -1 \\ \Leftrightarrow x = e^{-1} = \frac{1}{e}$$

So  $f'(x) \geq 0$  on  $[\frac{1}{e}, \infty)$ ,  $f'(x) \leq 0$  on  $(0, \frac{1}{e}]$ .

So the largest interval on which  $f$  is one-to-one is  $\boxed{[\frac{1}{e}, \infty)}$

$$[f^{-1}]'(e) = \frac{1}{f'(f^{-1}(e))} = \frac{1}{f'(e)} = \frac{1}{2(\ln(e)+1)} = \frac{1}{2 \cdot 2} = \boxed{\frac{1}{4}}$$

(6) 5. State the mean value theorem (MVT). Does the function  $f(x) = x^{1/3}$  on the interval  $[-1, 1]$  satisfy the hypotheses of MVT? Does it satisfy the conclusions of MVT?

MVT: If  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$  and differentiable on  $(a, b)$ , then  $\exists c \in (a, b)$  s.t.  $\frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a} = f'(c)$ .

The MVT does not apply to  $f(x) = x^{1/3}$  on  $[-1, 1]$  since  $f$  is not differentiable at  $x = 0 \in (-1, 1)$ .

however,  $\frac{f(1) - f(-1)}{1 - (-1)} = \frac{1 - (-1)}{1 - (-1)} = 1$ , and we can solve

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{3}x^{-2/3} = 1 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad x^{-2/3} = 3 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad x = \pm 3^{3/2} = \pm \frac{1}{3^{3/2}}$$

Since both  $\frac{1}{3^{3/2}}$  and  $-\frac{1}{3^{3/2}}$  lie in  $(-1, 1)$ , the conclusion of MVT is still true.