

Fall 2006 Math 151

Exam 2A: Solutions

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1. (a) We have

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{3x \cos x}{\sin 2x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{3x}{2x} \cos x}{\frac{\sin 2x}{2x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{3}{2} \cos x}{\frac{\sin 2x}{2x}} = \frac{\frac{3}{2}(1)}{1} = \frac{3}{2}.$$

2. (b) The sine and cosine functions are continuous on \mathbb{R} . Moreover, compositions of continuous functions are continuous. Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \cos(\sin(\sin x)) &= \cos(\sin(\sin 0)) \\ &= \cos(\sin 0) \\ &= \cos 0 = 1. \end{aligned}$$

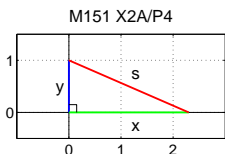
3. (a) The slope of a horizontal tangent line is zero. Recall that $f(x) = 2x - \sin 2x$. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) = 2 - 2 \cos 2x &= 0 \\ \cos 2x &= 1 \\ 2x &= 2n\pi \\ x &= n\pi, \end{aligned}$$

where n is any integer.

4. (d) Use related rates. By the Pythagorean Theorem, we have $s^2 = x^2 + y^2 = x^2 + 1$, whence

$$\begin{aligned} 2s \frac{ds}{dt} &= 2x \frac{dx}{dt} \\ \frac{ds}{dt} &= \frac{x \frac{dx}{dt}}{s} = \frac{2x}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}}. \end{aligned}$$



5. (d) Use properties of logarithms.

$$\begin{aligned} \log_3(3x + 2) &= 2 \\ 3x + 2 &= 3^2 = 9 \\ 3x &= 7 \\ x &= 7/3 \end{aligned}$$

Checking this answer in the original equation, we verify that $\log_3 9 = 2$.

6. (d) We have

$$\begin{aligned} h'(x) &= f'(g(x))g'(x) \\ h'(1) &= f'(g(1))g'(1) \\ h'(1) &= f'(3)g'(1) \\ h'(1) &= (3)(2) = 6. \end{aligned}$$

7. (c) The range of f^{-1} , the inverse of $f(x) = \sqrt{1-x}$, is the domain of f . We require $1-x \geq 0$ or $1 \geq x$; i.e., $(-\infty, 1]$.

8. (c) If $f(x) = x \cos^2(x^3)$, the product and chain rules give $f'(x) = (1) \cos^2(x^3) + x(2 \cos(x^3)(-\sin(x^3) \cdot 3x^2))$; that is, $f'(x) = \cos^2(x^3) - 6x^3 \cos(x^3) \sin(x^3)$.

9. (a) We have $\mathbf{v}(t) = \mathbf{r}'(t) = \mathbf{i} + \left(\frac{\pi}{8} \cos\left(\frac{(t+1)\pi}{8}\right)\right) \mathbf{j}$, whence $\mathbf{v}(3) = \mathbf{i}$.

10. (a) Let $p(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$. Then $p'(x) = 2ax + b$ and $p''(x) = 2a$. Now substitute the numerical data.

$$\begin{aligned} p(1) = a + b + c &= 1 \\ p'(0) = b &= 2 \\ p''(1) = 2a &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

This gives $a = 1$, $b = 2$, and $c = 1 - a - b = -2$. Hence $p(x) = x^2 + 2x - 2$ and thus $p(-1) = 1 - 2 - 2 = -3$.

11. (e) Setting $\mathbf{r}(t) = [t^3 - t, t^2 - 1] = [0, 0]$, we deduce that $t = \pm 1$. Now $\mathbf{v}(t) = \mathbf{r}'(t) = [3t^2 - 1, 2t]$. The relevant tangent vectors are $\mathbf{v}(1) = [2, 2]$ and $\mathbf{v}(-1) = [2, -2]$. Observe that $\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_2 = 0$. This implies that the tangent vectors (and hence the tangent lines) are perpendicular. Hence the angle between them is 90° (graph on reverse).

12. (c) With $f(x) = x^{1/2}$, compute $f'(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} L(x) &= f(100) + f'(100)(x - 100) \\ L(90) &= 10 + \frac{1}{20}(-10) = 9.5. \end{aligned}$$

13. (b) The quadratic approximation of a quadratic function is said function! Now $p(x) = (x-1)^2$. So $q(1) = p(1) = 0$. [Nonbelievers: grind out the details if you must.]

14. (e) Since $f(1) = 2$ and $g = f^{-1}$, we have $g(2) = 1$.

$$\text{Thus } g'(2) = \frac{1}{f'(g(2))} = \frac{1}{f'(1)} = \frac{1}{3}.$$

15. Recall that $\mathbf{r}(t) = [x(t), y(t)] = [te^{-t}, (2t+1)^{1/3}]$.

(a) So

$$\mathbf{r}'(t) = \left[\frac{dx}{dt}, \frac{dy}{dt}\right] = [1e^{-t} + t(-e^{-t}), \frac{1}{3}(2t+1)^{-2/3} \cdot 2].$$

(b) Hence $m = \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy/dt}{dx/dt} = \frac{\frac{2}{3}(2t+1)^{-2/3}}{(1-t)e^{-t}}$.

(c) At $(x, y) = (0, 1)$, we have $t = 0$ and $m = \frac{2}{3}$. The point-slope formula gives a Cartesian equation of the tangent line.

$$\begin{aligned} y - 1 &= \frac{2}{3}(x - 0) \\ y &= \frac{2}{3}x + 1 \end{aligned}$$

Alternatively, a direction vector for the line is $\mathbf{r}'(0) = \left[1, \frac{2}{3}\right]$. A parametric representation of the tangent line is thus $\mathbf{L}(t) = [0, 1] + t\left[1, \frac{2}{3}\right]$ or $\mathbf{L}(t) = \left[t, \frac{2}{3}t + 1\right]$. (See graph on reverse.)

16. Implicitly differentiate $x^2 - xy + y^3 = 25$ with respect to x , then immediately substitute $(x, y) = (1, 3)$. This lets you do arithmetic instead of algebra (although the latter is fine too). Below, y'_* represents the value of dy/dx at $(1, 3)$.

$$\begin{aligned} 2x - (1y + xy') + 3y^2y' &= 0 \\ 2 - (3 + y'_*) + 27y'_* &= 0 \\ 26y'_* &= 1 \\ y'_* &= 1/26 \end{aligned}$$

Now use the point-slope formula.

$$\begin{aligned} y - 3 &= \frac{1}{26}(x - 1) \\ y &= \frac{1}{26}x + \frac{77}{26} \end{aligned}$$

See graph at lower right.

17. Recall the position function $\mathbf{r}(t) = (2 \cos 2t) \mathbf{i} + (2 \sin 2t) \mathbf{j}$.

- (a) The velocity is

$$\mathbf{v}(t) = \mathbf{r}'(t) = (-4 \sin 2t) \mathbf{i} + (4 \cos 2t) \mathbf{j},$$

$$\text{whence } \mathbf{v}(\pi/12) = -2\mathbf{i} + 2\sqrt{3}\mathbf{j}.$$

- (b) The speed at time t is

$$\|\mathbf{v}(t)\| = \sqrt{16 \sin^2 2t + 16 \cos^2 2t} = \sqrt{16} = 4.$$

- (c) The acceleration is

$$\mathbf{a}(t) = \mathbf{v}'(t) = (-8 \cos 2t) \mathbf{i} + (-8 \sin 2t) \mathbf{j}.$$

The dot product of $\mathbf{v}(t)$ and $\mathbf{a}(t)$ is

$$32 \sin 2t \cos 2t - 32 \sin 2t \cos 2t = 0.$$

Hence $\mathbf{v}(t)$ and $\mathbf{a}(t)$ are orthogonal (perpendicular).

- (d) Now $\mathbf{r}(t) = [x(t), y(t)] = [2 \cos 2t, 2 \sin 2t]$. Hence

$$x^2 + y^2 = 4 \cos^2 2t + 4 \sin^2 2t = 4 = 2^2.$$

As t increases, the circle $x^2 + y^2 = 2^2$ is traversed over and over again in a counterclockwise direction. (See graph at bottom right.)

18. With $f(x) = \frac{x}{(7-3x)^{1/2}}$, the derivative of f is

$$f'(x) = \frac{(7-3x)^{1/2}(1) - x\left(\frac{1}{2}(7-3x)^{-1/2}(-3)\right)}{7-3x}.$$

- (a) Therefore,

$$f'(2) = \frac{(1)(1) - 2\left(\frac{1}{2}(1)(-3)\right)}{1} = \frac{1+3}{1} = 4.$$

- (b) Note that $f(2) = 2$. Thus $f'(f(2)) = f'(2) = 4$.

- (c) Recall that $h(x) = f(f(x))$. The Chain Rule gives

$$\begin{aligned} h'(x) &= f'(f(x))f'(x) \\ h'(2) &= f'(f(2))f'(2) = 4^2 = 16. \end{aligned}$$

- (d) Now $h(2) = f(f(2)) = f(2) = 2$. Thus

$$L(x) = h(2) + h'(2)(x - 2) = 2 + 16(x - 2) = 16x - 30.$$

19. Let A , B , and H represent the area, base, and height of the triangle, respectively. Recall that $A = \frac{1}{2}BH$. At the instant of time t_* in question, we have $A = 100 \text{ cm}^2$, $H = 10 \text{ cm}$, and thus $B = 2A/H = 200/10 = 20 \text{ cm}$. Use related rates. Differentiate with respect to t , then substitute the numerical data given in the problem.

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{dB}{dt} H + B \frac{dH}{dt} \right)$$

$$-4 = \frac{1}{2} (10B'(t_*) + 20(2))$$

$$-4 = 5B'(t_*) + 20$$

$$-24 = 5B'(t_*)$$

$$B'(t_*) = -24/5 = -4.8 \text{ cm/min}$$

Illustrative graphs

