

Chapter 5: Practice/review problems

The collection of problems listed below contains questions taken from previous MA123 exams.

Derivatives

[1]. If $f(x) = 6x^2 + 3x - 1$, find $f'(x)$.

- (a) $6x + 1$ (b) $12x + 3$ (c) $12x - 1$ (d) $2x + 3$ (e) $2x + 5$

[2]. If $f(x) = x^3 + 4x^2 + 2x + 1$ then $f'(x) =$

- (a) $3x^2 + 8x + 3$ (b) $x^2 + x + 1$ (c) $3x^2 + 8x + 2$
 (d) $3x^2 + 8x + 1$ (e) $3x^2 + 4x + 1$

[3]. If $f(x) = x^3$ then

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(1+h) - f(1)}{h}$$

(Hint: Relate the limit to the derivative of $f(x)$.)

- (a) 0 (b) 1 (c) 2 (d) 3 (e) 4

[4]. Suppose $f(t) = t^3 - t^2 + t + 1$. Find the limit

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(1+h) - f(1)}{h}$$

(Hint: Relate the limit to the derivative.)

- (a) -1 (b) 0 (c) 1 (d) 2 (e) The limit does not exist

[5]. If $Q(s) = s^7 + 1$, find

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{Q(1+h) - Q(1)}{h}$$

- (a) 2 (b) 5 (c) 6 (d) 7 (e) 8

[6]. If $f(x) = |x - 1|$ find $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(1+h) - f(1)}{h}$

- (a) 3 (b) -3 (c) 1 (d) -1 (e) Does not exist

[7]. Let $f(x) = x|x| - x$. Find the derivative, $f'(0)$, by evaluating the limit

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(h) - f(0)}{h}$$

- (a) -2 (b) -1 (c) 0 (d) 1 (e) Does not exist

[8]. Let $\llbracket x \rrbracket$ denote the greatest integer function. Recall the definition:

$\llbracket x \rrbracket$ equals the greatest integer less than or equal to x .

How many points are there in the interval $(1/2, 9/2)$ where the derivative of $\llbracket x \rrbracket$ is not defined?

- (a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 4 (e) 5

The product rule

[9]. Suppose that $h(x) = f(x)g(x)$. Assume that $f(2) = 3$, $f'(2) = -2$, $g(2) = 1$, and $g'(2) = 5$. Find $h'(2)$.

- (a) -20 (b) -17 (c) 11 (d) 13 (e) Cannot be determined

[10]. If $h(t) = (t - 1)(t + 1)(t^2 + 1)$ then $h'(2)$ equals

- (a) 0 (b) 4 (c) 8 (d) 16 (e) 32

[11]. Let $k(x) = (x + 3)(x + 4)(x + 1)$. Find $k'(x)$.

- (a) 12 (b) $3x^2 + 16x + 19$ (c) $3x^2 + 18x + 20$
(d) $3x^2 + 14x + 16$ (e) 1

[12]. If $R(x) = (x - 2)(x^2 - 2)(x^3 - 2)$, find $R'(2)$

- (a) 0 (b) 12 (c) 48 (d) -8 (e) -6

The quotient rule

[13]. If $f(x) = \frac{x - 1}{x + 1}$ then $f'(x) =$

- (a) $\frac{2}{x^2 + 1}$ (b) $\frac{2}{(x + 1)^2}$ (c) $\frac{-2}{(x + 1)^2}$ (d) $\frac{-2}{x^2 + 1}$ (e) $\frac{-2}{(x - 1)^2}$

[14]. Suppose that $f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 1}{x + 4}$. Find $f'(-3)$.

- (a) -8 (b) -9 (c) -10 (d) -14 (e) -16

[15]. Find $Y'(s)$ if $Y(s) = \frac{1}{4s^2} - \frac{5}{s}$.

- (a) $\frac{5}{2}s^{-3} + s^{-2}$ (b) $-\frac{1}{2}s^{-3} + 5s^{-2}$ (c) $-\frac{2}{5}s^{-3} + s^{-2}$
(d) $\frac{1}{2}s^{-3} + 5s^{-2}$ (e) $-2s^{-3} - 3s^{-2}$

[16]. If $F(t) = \frac{3t+1}{t-1}$ then $F'(t) =$

- (a) $-4/(t-1)^2$ (b) $-4/(3t+1)^2$ (c) $-2/(t-1)^2$
(d) $-3/(t-1)^2$ (e) $-2/(t-1)$

[17]. Let $T(x) = \frac{g(x)}{f(x)}$. If $f(2) = 3$, $f'(2) = 4$, $g(2) = 5$, and $g'(2) = 6$, find $T'(2)$.

- (a) $\frac{38}{9}$ (b) $\frac{38}{25}$ (c) $\frac{2}{25}$ (d) $-\frac{2}{9}$ (e) 38

[18]. Evaluate the derivative, $H'(1)$ if

$$H(s) = \frac{2s}{s+1}$$

- (a) $2/9$ (b) $4/9$ (c) $1/2$ (d) $3/2$ (e) $8/9$

[19]. Suppose the cost, $C(q)$, of stocking a quantity q of a product equals

$$C(q) = 12 + 3q + \frac{8}{q}.$$

The rate of change of the cost with respect to q is called the marginal cost. What is the marginal cost when the cost equals 23 and the cost is decreasing?

- (a) -5 (b) -1 (c) 0 (d) 1 (e) 5

[20]. Suppose the cost, $C(q)$, of stocking a quantity q of a product equals

$$C(q) = \frac{100}{q} + q$$

For which positive value of q is the tangent line to the graph of $C(q)$ a horizontal line?

- (a) $1/100$ (b) $1/10$ (c) 1 (d) 10 (e) 100

[21]. Suppose $u(t)$ and $w(t)$ are differentiable for all t and the following values of the functions and derivatives are known: $u(7) = 2$, $u'(7) = -1$, $w(7) = 1$, and $w'(7) = 9$. Find the value of $h'(7)$ when

$$h(t) = \frac{w(t) + 5}{u(t)}.$$

- (a) 3 (b) 6 (c) -3 (d) 12 (e) -6

[22]. Suppose $f(t) = \frac{F(t)}{t}$ and $F(1) = 2$, $F'(1) = 6$. Find $f'(1)$.

- (a) 2 (b) 4 (c) 1 (d) -4 (e) -1

[23]. If $f(x) = \frac{-x}{x^2 - 1}$ then $f'(x) =$

- (a) $\frac{-x^2 - 1}{(x^2 - 1)^2}$ (b) $\frac{1}{2x}$ (c) $\frac{-x^2 - 1}{x^2 - 1}$ (d) $\frac{x^2 + 1}{x^2 - 1}$ (e) $\frac{x^2 + 1}{(x^2 - 1)^2}$

Tangent lines

[24]. Find the equation of the tangent line to the graph of $y = 2x^3 - 3x^2 + 4x + 2$ at $x = 1$.

- (a) $y = x + 1$ (b) $y = 5x - 4$ (c) $y = 5x - 3$ (d) $y = 4x - 2$ (e) $y = 4x + 1$

[25]. Which horizontal line is tangent to the graph of $y = x^3 - x^2 - x + 2$?

- (a) $y = 0$ (b) $y = 1$ (c) $y = 2$ (d) $y = 3$ (e) $y = 5$

[26]. If $g(t) = \frac{1}{t^2 + 1}$, then the slope of the tangent line to the graph of $g(t)$ at $t = 3$ is

- (a) $-\frac{1}{25}$ (b) $-\frac{2}{25}$ (c) $-\frac{1}{50}$ (d) $-\frac{3}{50}$ (e) $-\frac{4}{25}$

[27]. The equation of the tangent line to the graph of $y = g(x)$ at $x = 3$ is $y = 2 + 4(x - 3)$.
What is the value of $g'(3)$?

- (a) -6 (b) 4 (c) -12 (d) 0 (e) 2

[28]. If the line $y = 3 + 4(x - 2)$ is tangent to the graph of $g(x)$ at $x = 2$ and $g(x)$ is differentiable at $x = 2$, then $g(2) + g'(2) =$

- (a) 2 (b) 3 (c) 4 (d) 6 (e) 7

[29]. If the line $y = 9 + 3(x - 4)$ is tangent to the graph of $G(x)$ at $x = 4$ and $G(x)$ is differentiable at $x = 4$, then $G(4) - G'(4)$ equals

- (a) 3 (b) 4 (c) 5 (d) 6 (e) 9

[30]. The line $y = -1 + 4(x - 2)$ is tangent to the graph of $g(x)$ at $x = 2$. If $g(x)$ is differentiable at $x = 2$, and $h(x) = xg(x)$, then $h'(2)$ equals

- (a) 2 (b) 3 (c) 4 (d) 6 (e) 7

[31]. Let

$$H(s) = \begin{cases} 3(s - 1)^2 & \text{if } s \leq 1 \\ 5(s - 1)^2 & \text{if } s > 1 \end{cases}$$

Find the equation of the tangent line to the graph of $H(s)$ at $s = 2$ in the (s, t) plane.

- (a) $t = 3 + 6s$ (b) $t = 3 - 6s$ (c) $t = 5 + 10(s - 2)$
(d) $t = 5 + 10(s - 1)$ (e) The tangent line does not exist

[32]. Let

$$H(s) = |s - 1|$$

Find the equation of the tangent line to the graph of $H(s)$ at $s = 0$ in the (s, t) plane.

- (a) $t = 1 + s$ (b) $t = 1 - s$ (c) $t = 1$ (d) $t = s$ (e) The tangent line does not exist

The chain rule

[33]. If $f(s) = (s^2 + 5s + 4)^3$, find $f'(s)$.

- (a) $3(s^2 + 5s + 4)^2$ (b) $3(s^2 + s + 4)^2$ (c) $2(s^2 + 5s + 4) \cdot (2s + 5)$
(d) $3(s^2 + s + 4)^2 \cdot (2s + 1)$ (e) $3(s^2 + 5s + 4)^2 \cdot (2s + 5)$

[34]. Find $f'(1)$ where $f(x) = \sqrt{x^4 + 3x^2 + 5}$.

- (a) $1/3$ (b) $2/3$ (c) 1 (d) $4/3$ (e) $5/3$

[35]. Suppose that $h(x) = f(g(x))$. Assume that $f(3) = 6$, $f'(3) = 6$, $g(2) = 3$, and $g'(2) = 4$. Find $h'(2)$.

- (a) -30 (b) 24 (c) 18 (d) -20 (e) -15

[36]. Suppose that $f(x) = (x^2 - 5)^{3/2}$. Find $f'(3)$.

- (a) 9 (b) 18 (c) 27 (d) 12 (e) 36

[37]. Suppose that $g(x) = [f(x)]^3$ and the equation of the tangent line to the graph of $f(x)$ at $x = 2$ is $y = -1 + 4(x - 2)$. Find $g'(2)$.

- (a) 15 (b) -15 (c) -1 (d) -12 (e) 12

[38]. Suppose that $f(t) = 12\sqrt{t+7}$. Find the limit

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(2+h) - f(2)}{h}.$$

(Hint: Relate the limit to the derivative.)

- (a) -1 (b) 0 (c) 1 (d) 2 (e) 3

[39]. Suppose $F(x) = g(h(x))$. If $g(2) = 3$, $g'(2) = 4$, $h(0) = 2$ and $h'(0) = 6$, find $F'(0)$.

- (a) 12 (b) 4 (c) 24 (d) 6 (e) 3

[40]. Suppose $f(t) = H(G(t))$ and $H(3) = 5$, $H'(3) = 4$, $G(2) = 3$, and $G'(2) = 7$. Find $f'(2)$.

- (a) 12 (b) 35 (c) 28 (d) 15 (e) 43

[41]. If $G(s) = u(s^2)$ and $u(1) = 10$, $u'(1) = 4$, $u(-1) = 7$, and $u'(-1) = 2$, then $G'(-1) =$

- (a) -20 (b) 4 (c) 10 (d) 2 (e) -8

[42]. Suppose $f(t) = g(3t)$ and $F(t) = f(t)g(t)$. If $g(1) = 1$, $g(3) = 5$, $g'(1) = 2$ and $g'(3) = 7$, what is $F'(1)$?

- (a) 14 (b) 17 (c) 24 (d) 31 (e) 42

[43]. Suppose $h(x) = [f(x)]^2$ and the equation of the tangent line to the graph of $f(x)$ at $x = 1$ is $y = 3 + 4(x - 1)$. Find $h'(1)$.

- (a) 28 (b) 40 (c) 14 (d) 24 (e) 20

[44]. If $F(x) = u(v(x))$ and

$$\begin{array}{lll} v(1) = 3 & u(1) = 2 & u(3) = 2 \\ v'(1) = 7 & u'(1) = 4 & u'(3) = 1 \end{array}$$

then $F'(1) =$

- (a) 6 (b) 7 (c) 8 (d) 9 (e) 10

[45]. If $F(x) = u(x^2) + (v(x))^2$ and

$$\begin{array}{lll} v(1) = 3 & u(1) = 2 & u(3) = 2 \\ v'(1) = 7 & u'(1) = 4 & u'(3) = 1 \end{array}$$

then $F'(1) =$

- (a) 20 (b) 30 (c) 40 (d) 50 (e) 60

[46]. If $u(t) = \sqrt{4t^2}$, then $u'(-1) =$

- (a) -1 (b) -2 (c) 0 (d) 1 (e) 2

[47]. Let

$$f(t) = 1 + 10\sqrt{1+t} - t$$

For what nonnegative value of t is the tangent line to the graph of $f(t)$ horizontal?

- (a) 0 (b) 6 (c) 12 (d) 18 (e) 24

[48]. Suppose $H'(4) = 9$. What is the value of $F'(2)$ if $F(s) = H(s^2)$?

- (a) 24 (b) 30 (c) 36 (d) 42 (e) 48

Second derivative

[49]. Suppose that $f(x) = 64\sqrt{x}$. Find $f''(4)$.

- (a) -2 (b) -1 (c) 1 (d) 2 (e) Does not exist