

Math 201  
October 26, 2010  
Second (Sample) Midterm

KEY

NAME (Print!): \_\_\_\_\_

Check one: (12pm): \_\_\_\_\_  
(1pm): \_\_\_\_\_

Problem	Points	Score
1	20	
2	20	
3	30	
4	20	
5	10	
Total	100	

**Problem 1 (20 points):** Newton's Law of Gravitation states that the magnitude  $F$  of the force exerted by a body of mass  $m$  on a body of mass  $M$  is

$$F = \frac{GMm}{r^2}$$

where  $G$  is the gravitational constant and  $r$  is the distance between the two bodies.

- (a) Find  $\frac{dF}{dr}$  and explain its meaning. What does the minus sign indicate?  
 (b) Suppose that it is known Earth attracts an object with a force that decreases at the rate of 2 N/km when  $r = 20,000$  km. How fast does this force change when  $r = 10,000$  km.

$$\frac{dF}{dr} = -2 \frac{GMm}{r^3}$$

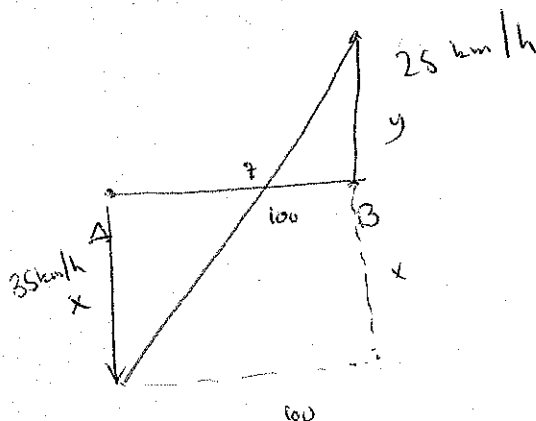
This means that as I increase the radius the force decreases in a way that slope is inversely proportional with the radius cubed.

$$\left. \frac{dF}{dr} \right|_{r=20000} = -2 \frac{GMm}{(20000)^3} = -2$$

$$\Rightarrow GMm = (20000)^3$$

$$\Rightarrow \left. \frac{dF}{dr} \right|_{r=10000} = \frac{-2 (20000)^3}{10000^3} = -16 \text{ N/km.}$$

**Problem 2 (20 points):** At noon ship A is 100 km west of ship B. Ship A is sailing south at 35 km/h and Ship B is sailing north at 25 km/h. How fast is the distance between the ships changing at 4:00 pm.



$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 35$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 25$$

want  $\frac{dz}{dt}$

$$z^2 = 100^2 + (x+y)^2$$

$$2z \frac{dz}{dt} = 2(x+y) \left( \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{dy}{dt} \right)$$

after 4 hours,  $x = 140$

$$y = 100$$

$$z = \sqrt{100^2 + 140^2}$$

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = \frac{2(140+100)(35+25)}{2\sqrt{100^2 + 140^2}}$$

Problem 3 (30 points): Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  for each of the following:

(a)  $\tan(x-y) = \frac{y}{1+x^2}$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \tan(x-y) = \frac{d}{dx} (y(1+x^2)^{-1})$$

$$\sec^2(x-y) \left( -\frac{dy}{dx} \right) = \frac{dy}{dx} (1+x^2)^{-1} + y (1+x^2)^{-2} (2x)$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{2xy}{(1+x^2)^2} = \frac{1}{(1+x^2)^{-1} + \sec^2(x-y)} = \frac{dy}{dx}$$

(b)  $y = 2^{3^{x^2}}$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2^{3^{x^2}} (3^{x^2})' \ln 2$$

$$= 2^{3^{x^2}} \ln 2 (\ln 3) 3^{x^2} (x^2)'$$

$$= \ln 2 \ln 3 2^{3^{x^2}} 3^{x^2} (2x)$$

(c)  $y = x^{e^x}$

$$\ln y = \ln x e^x$$

$$\frac{1}{y} \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx} e^x \ln x$$

$$\frac{1}{y} \frac{dy}{dx} = e^x \ln x + \frac{e^x}{x}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = x e^x \left( e^x \ln x + \frac{e^x}{x} \right)$$

**Problem 4 (20 points):** Prove the following differentiation rules:

(a) Using the limit definition of the derivative, prove  $\frac{d}{dx}\sqrt{x} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{x+h} - \sqrt{x}}{h} &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{x+h} - \sqrt{x}}{h} \cdot \frac{(\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x})}{(\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x})} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{x+h-x}{h(\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x})} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h}{h(\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x})} \quad h \neq 0 \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x}} \quad \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x}} \text{ is continuous} \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x}} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}
 \end{aligned}$$

(b) Show that for any real number  $n$  we have  $\frac{d}{dx}x^n = nx^{n-1}$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 y &= x^n \\
 \ln y &= n \ln x \\
 \frac{1}{y} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{n}{x} \\
 \frac{dy}{dx} &= y \frac{n}{x} \\
 &= x^n \frac{n}{x} \\
 &= nx^{n-1}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Problem 5 (10 points):** Find an equation of the tangent line to the curve  $y = 4\sin^2(x)$  at the point  $(\pi/6, 1)$ .

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 8\sin x \cos x$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} \Big|_{\frac{\pi}{6}} &= 2\sqrt{3} \cdot 8 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ &= 2\sqrt{3} \end{aligned}$$

Equation of tangent line:

$$(y - 1) = 2\sqrt{3} \left( x - \frac{\pi}{6} \right)$$