

1. (17pts) Find the following derivatives, simplifying where possible.

$$(7x^3 - x^2 + 13x - 7)' = 21x^2 - 2x + 13$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{1}{x} - 3\sqrt[5]{x^9} \right) = \frac{d}{dx} \left( x^{-1} - 3x^{\frac{9}{5}} \right) = -x^{-2} - \frac{27}{5} x^{\frac{4}{5}} = -\frac{1}{x^2} - \frac{27}{5} \sqrt[5]{x^4}$$

$$\frac{d}{du} (\sqrt{u}(u^2 + u - 1)) = \frac{d}{du} \left( u^{\frac{5}{2}} + u^{\frac{3}{2}} - u^{\frac{1}{2}} \right) = \frac{5}{2} u^{\frac{3}{2}} + \frac{3}{2} u^{\frac{1}{2}} - \frac{1}{2} u^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\left[ \text{or: (product rule)} \right] = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{u}} (u^2 + u - 1) + \sqrt{u} (2u + 1) = \frac{u^2}{2\sqrt{u}} + \frac{u}{2\sqrt{u}} - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{u}} + 2u\sqrt{u} + \sqrt{u} = \frac{5}{2} u\sqrt{u} + \frac{3}{2} \sqrt{u} - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{u}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} \frac{x+1}{3x^2 - 6x + 17} &= \frac{1 \cdot (3x^2 - 6x + 17) - (x+1)(6x-6)}{(3x^2 - 6x + 17)^2} = \frac{3x^2 - 6x + 17 - (6x^2 - 6)}{(3x^2 - 6x + 17)^2} \\ &= \frac{-3x^2 - 6x + 23}{(3x^2 - 6x + 17)^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} (t^{16} + t^8)^{\frac{3}{2}} &= \frac{3}{2} (t^{16} + t^8)^{\frac{1}{2}} (16t^{15} + 8t^7) = 12 (t^{16} + t^8)^{\frac{1}{2}} (2t^{15} + t^7) \\ &= 8(2t^{15} + t^7) \end{aligned}$$

2. (8pts) Let  $f(x) = x^2 + 5x$ .

a) Use a limit to find  $f'(x)$ .

b) Now find  $f'(x)$  using differentiation rules and compare to your answer in a).

c) Find the equation of the tangent line to the graph of  $f$  at the point  $(3, f(3))$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x+h)^2 + 5(x+h) - (x^2 + 5x)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cancel{x^2} + 2xh + \cancel{h^2} + \cancel{5x} + 5h - \cancel{x^2} - \cancel{5x}}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cancel{h}(2x + h + 5)}{\cancel{h}} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} (2x + h + 5) = 2x + 5 \end{aligned}$$

b)  $f'(x) = 2x + 5$  agrees with a)

c)  $f'(3) = 2 \cdot 3 + 5 = 11$

$$f(3) = 9 + 15 = 24$$

$$y - 24 = 11(x - 3)$$

$$y = 11x - 33 + 24$$

$$y = 11x - 9$$

3. (6pts) The total cost of producing  $x$  electric guitars is  $C(x) = 1000 + 100x - 0.25x^2$ .

a) Find the exact cost of producing the 51st guitar.

b) Use marginal cost to approximate the cost of producing the 51st guitar. Is this approximation accurate?

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } C(51) - C(50) &= \\ &= 1000 + 100 \cdot 51 - 0.25 \cdot 51^2 \\ &\quad - (1000 + 100 \cdot 50 - 0.25 \cdot 50^2) \\ &= 5449.75 - 5375 \\ &= 74.75 \end{aligned}$$

b)  $C'(x) = 100 - 0.25 \cdot 2x$

$$= 100 - 0.5x$$

$$C'(50) = 100 - 0.5 \cdot 50$$

$$= 75 \leftarrow$$

fairly accurate, off

by only 0.25

4. (7pts) Let  $g(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 12x + 8$ .

- a) Algebraically find the values of  $x$  where the graph of  $g$  has a horizontal tangent line.  
 b) Use your calculator to draw the graph of  $g$  (on paper!). Verify your answer from a) on the graph.

a)  $g'(x) = 3x^2 - 12x + 12$

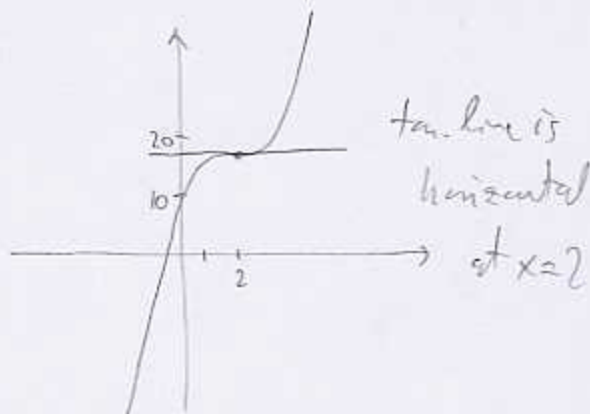
$$3x^2 - 12x + 12 = 0$$

$$3(x^2 - 4x + 4) = 0$$

$$3(x-2)^2 = 0$$

$$x = 2$$

b)



5. (7pts) The total monthly cost of producing  $x$  ski jackets is given by  $C(x) = 24x + 21,900$ . The monthly price-demand function is given by  $p(x) = 200 - 0.2x$ ,  $0 \leq x \leq 1000$ .

- a) Form the profit function for this situation.  
 b) Find the profit and the marginal profit for  $x = 500$ . Interpret the meaning of the marginal profit.  
 c) Someone from the company asks you whether they should increase production from level  $x = 500$  for the purpose of increasing profit. What do you tell them?

a)  $R(x) = x p(x) = x(200 - 0.2x)$   
 $= -0.2x^2 + 200x$

$$P(x) = R(x) - C(x)$$

$$= -0.2x^2 + 200x - (24x + 21900)$$

$$= -0.2x^2 + 176x - 21900$$

$P'(500) = -24$  means that increasing production by one ski jacket reduces profit by about \$24.

b)  $P(500) = 16,100$

$$P'(x) = -0.4x + 176$$

$$P'(500) = -0.4 \cdot 500 + 176$$

$$= -24$$

c) Don't increase production! since profit will drop by approx \$24 per jacket (at least for a small increase)

6. (5pts) Find the derivative, and simplify.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx}((x^2+1)^3(x^3+2)^4) &= 3(x^2+1)^2 \cdot 2x(x^3+2)^4 + (x^2+1)^3 \cdot 4(x^3+2)^3 \cdot 3x^2 \\ &= 6(x^2+1)^2(x^3+2)^3(x(x^3+2) + (x^2+1) \cdot 2x^2) \\ &= 6x(x^2+1)^2(x^3+2)^3(x^3+2 + 2x(x^2+1)) \\ &= 6x(x^2+1)^2(x^3+2)^3(3x^3+2x+2) \end{aligned}$$

**Bonus.** (5pts) A falling Bösendorfer<sup>1</sup> is  $5t^2$  meters away from the release point after  $t$  seconds of travel time.

- Find the average velocities of the Bösendorfer over the three time intervals that start with  $t = 1$  seconds and last, respectively, 0.5, 0.05 and 0.005 seconds.
- Find the instantaneous velocity of the piano at time  $t = 1$ . (Note: no need for limit here.)
- What is the connection between the numbers in a) and the number in b)?

a)

$t$	$5t^2$
1	5
1.5	11.25
1.05	5.5125
1.005	5.050125

$$f(t) = 5t^2 \text{ position}$$

$$v_1 = \frac{11.25 - 5}{0.5} = 12.5$$

$$v_2 = \frac{5.5125 - 5}{0.05} = 10.25$$

$$v_3 = \frac{5.050125 - 5}{0.005} = 10.025$$

$$b) v(t) = f'(t) = 10t$$

$$v(1) = 10$$

c) The shorter the time interval, the closer average velocity is to instantaneous velocity.

<sup>1</sup>a brand of piano