

Midterm 2 Review Problems

Math 140

These are suggested review problems similar to what might be on Midterm 2. Included with each problem is a link to a video where you can see how the problem is solved. I didn't make the videos, they are all available online.

1. Calculate the following derivatives.

(a) $\frac{d}{dx} e^{5x+3}$

(b) $\frac{d}{dx} e^{x^2}$

https://youtu.be/yg_497u6JnA

2. Calculate the following logarithms.

(a) $\log_3(81)$

(b) $\log_2(64)$

(c) $\log_{100}(1)$

https://youtu.be/Z5myJ8dg_rM

3. Write each expression as a single natural logarithm using the properties of logarithms.

(a) $3 \ln 10 - \ln 8$

(b) $2 \ln 5 + 4 \ln 2 + \ln(5y)$

<https://youtu.be/wRXdiePi5-0>

4. Solve $7 + 3 \ln x = 5$.

<https://youtu.be/vTqzK32bDfE>

5. Solve $5e^{-3x} + 1 = 11$.

<https://youtu.be/YY2CX0HpxA>

6. Find the derivative of $f(x) = \ln\left(\frac{x+5}{x-1}\right)$. Hint: Use the properties of logarithms to simplify $f(x)$ before taking the derivative.

<https://youtu.be/R2JsjJyr0ck>

7. Find the derivative of $y = \frac{2}{x^3}$.

https://youtu.be/ETL_-_Vj_A0

8. Let $f(x) = \sqrt[3]{x}$. Find $f'(x)$.

<https://youtu.be/H-v4oraDjuM?t=73>

9. Find the derivative of $f(x) = \frac{5x + 2}{3x - 4}$.

<https://youtu.be/BF4e2vbmGkk>

10. Calculate $\frac{d}{dx}(x^2 - 2)(7x^3 + 5)$.

<https://youtu.be/8Qw2aPjqW9c>

11. Find $\frac{d}{dx}\sqrt{3x^2 - x}$.

<https://youtu.be/IiBC4ngwH6E>

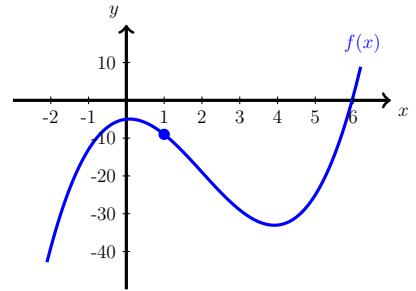
12. Suppose that the total cost for a company to produce x machines is $C(x) = 1100 + 140x - 0.2x^2$.
Find the marginal cost $C'(x)$ when 105 machines are produced.

<https://youtu.be/RN0BTZ46Knk>

13. Where does the function $f(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 15$ have a horizontal tangent line?

<https://youtu.be/aNfoxbMUOHk>

14. Let $f(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + x - 5$. Find the equation of the tangent line to $f(x)$ when $x = 1$.



<https://youtu.be/j9FDoYNxZlw>

15. Suppose the profit for a bicycle manufacturer is $P(x) = 0.0002x^3 + 10x$ where x is the number of bicycles they sell. Find the derivative $P'(x)$ and use it to estimate the marginal profit when $x = 100$.

<https://youtu.be/IB-2Umkiok8>

16. Find the intervals where $f(x) = 2 + 3x^2 - x^3$ is concave up and the intervals where it is concave down. Also, find the inflection points of $f(x)$.

<https://youtu.be/c1N8zyVhWxM>

17. The kinetic energy of an object is $E = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$ where m is its mass and v is its velocity. Suppose that a rock has a mass of 2 kilograms and is falling so that its velocity is increasing at a rate of 9 meters per second every second (i.e., $\frac{dv}{dt} = 9$). Use the chain rule to find the rate of change in the rock's kinetic energy with respect to time at the instant when the rock's velocity is 5 meters per second.

<https://youtu.be/NA-Ri4LJPaY>