

## Homework # 3 Solutions

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**Solution (3.10.13).**

(a) Since  $y = \frac{u+1}{u-1}$ , the quotient rule tells us that

$$\frac{dy}{du} = \frac{(u+1)'(u-1) - (u+1)(u-1)'}{(u-1)^2} = \frac{(u-1) - (u+1)}{(u-1)^2} = -\frac{2}{(u-1)^2}.$$

Therefore

$$dy = -\frac{2}{(u-1)^2} du.$$

(b) Since  $y = (1+r^3)^{-2}$ , the chain rule tells us that

$$\frac{dy}{dr} = -2(1+r^3)^{-3}(1+r^3)' = -2(1+r^3)^{-3}(3r^2) = \frac{-6r^2}{(1+r^3)^3}.$$

**Solution (3.10.17).**

(a) Since  $y = \tan(x)$ , we have that  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \sec^2(x)$ , and therefore

$$dy = \sec^2(x) dx.$$

(b) For  $x = \pi/4$  and  $dx = -0.1$ , we obtain

$$dy = \sec^2(\pi/4)(-0.1) = 2 * (-0.1) = -0.2.$$

**Solution (3.10.27).** We wish to estimate  $\tan(\theta)$  for  $\theta = 44^\circ$ . In terms of radians,  $44^\circ = 44\pi/180$ . We note that  $44\pi/180$  is close to the value  $45\pi/180 = \pi/4$ . Moreover,  $\tan(\pi/4) = 1$ ,  $(\tan(x))' = \sec^2(x)$  and  $\sec^2(\pi/4) = 2$ . The linearization of  $\tan(\theta)$  at  $\theta = \pi/4$  gives us the estimate

$$\tan(x) \approx 1 + 2\left(x - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \quad (x \text{ close to } \pi/4.)$$

Therefore

$$\tan(44^\circ) \approx 1 + 2\left(\frac{44\pi}{180} - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) = 1 - \frac{\pi}{90} \approx 0.9651.$$

**Solution (3.10.33).** Let  $x$  be the length of an edge of the cube.

- (a) Let  $V$  be the volume of the cube. Then  $V = x^3$ , from which it follows that  $\frac{dV}{dx} = 3x^2$  and therefore

$$dV = 3x^2 dx.$$

Since the length of a side of the cube was measured to be 30 cm, with a possible error in the measurement of 0.1 cm, we take  $x = 30$  and  $dx = 0.1$ . Then  $dV = 3(30)^2(0.1) = 270$ . Additionally,  $V = (30)^3 = 27000$ , so we find:

MAX. ERROR:	270 cm <sup>3</sup>
REL. ERROR:	$270/27000 = 0.01$
PER. ERROR:	$(0.01 * 100)\% = 1\%$

- (b) Let  $A$  be the surface area of the cube. Then  $A = 6x^2$ , from which it follows that  $\frac{dA}{dx} = 12x$  and therefore

$$dA = 12x dx.$$

Since the length of a side of the cube was measured to be 30 cm, with a possible error in the measurement of 0.1 cm, we take  $x = 30$  and  $dx = 0.1$ . Then  $dA = 12(30)(0.1) = 36$ . Additionally,  $A = 6(30)^2 = 5400$ , so we find:

MAX. ERROR:	36 cm <sup>3</sup>
REL. ERROR:	$36/5400 \approx 0.0067$
PER. ERROR:	$(0.0067 * 100)\% = 0.67\%$

**Solution (3.11.27).** We will prove that

$$\tanh^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left( \frac{1+x}{1-x} \right)$$

using two different methods demonstrated in (a) and (b) below.

- (a) Let  $y = \tanh^{-1}(x)$ . Then  $x = \tanh(y)$  and

$$\tanh(y) = \frac{\sinh(y)}{\cosh(y)} = \frac{\left(\frac{e^y - e^{-y}}{2}\right)}{\left(\frac{e^y + e^{-y}}{2}\right)} = \frac{e^y - e^{-y}}{e^y + e^{-y}}.$$

Thus,

$$x = \frac{e^y - e^{-y}}{e^y + e^{-y}}.$$

Multiplying both sides of the equality by  $e^y + e^{-y}$ , we obtain

$$xe^y + xe^{-y} = e^y - e^{-y}.$$

Now multiplying both sides of the equality by  $e^y$ , we find

$$xe^{2y} + x = e^{2y} - 1.$$

Rearranging the terms, this expression becomes

$$e^{2y} - xe^{2y} = 1 + x,$$

or rather

$$(1-x)e^{2y} = 1+x.$$

Now dividing both sides of the equality by  $(x-1)$ , we find

$$e^{2y} = \frac{1+x}{1-x}.$$

Taking the natural log of both sides, we obtain

$$2y = \ln\left(\frac{1+x}{1-x}\right).$$

Lastly, dividing by 2, and replacing  $y$  with  $\tanh^{-1}(x)$  we find

$$\tanh^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{2} \ln\left(\frac{1+x}{1-x}\right).$$

(b) Again let  $y = \tanh^{-1}(x)$ . Then we have that  $\tan(y) = x$ . Moreover, the result of Exercise 3.11.18 (using  $y$  in place of  $x$ ) is that

$$\frac{1 + \tanh(y)}{1 - \tanh(y)} = e^{2y}.$$

Replacing  $\tanh(y)$  with  $x$  in the above, we find

$$\frac{1+x}{1-x} = e^{2y}.$$

Taking the natural log of both sides, we obtain

$$\ln\left(\frac{1+x}{1-x}\right) = 2y.$$

Lastly, dividing by 2, and replacing  $y$  with  $\tanh^{-1}(x)$  we find

$$\tanh^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{2} \ln\left(\frac{1+x}{1-x}\right).$$

**Solution (3.11.39).** Recall that  $(\arctan(x))' = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$  and  $(\tanh(x))' = \operatorname{sech}^2(x)$ . For  $y = \arctan(\tanh(x))$ , the chain rule tells us that

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{1 + \tanh^2(x)} (\tanh(x))' = \frac{1}{1 + \tanh^2(x)} \operatorname{sech}^2(x) = \frac{\operatorname{sech}^2(x)}{1 + \tanh^2(x)}.$$

**Solution (3.11.55).** Consider the curve  $y = \cosh(x)$ . The slope of the line tangent to the curve is  $y' = \sinh(x)$ . If the tangent line has slope 1, then  $\sinh(x) = 1$ , meaning that  $x = \sinh^{-1}(1)$ . Recalling that  $\sinh^{-1}(x) = \ln(x + \sqrt{x^2 + 1})$ , this means that

$$x = \sinh^{-1}(1) = \ln(1 + \sqrt{(1)^2 + 1}) = \ln(1 + \sqrt{2}).$$

Moreover, when  $x = \ln(1 + \sqrt{2})$ , we have that

$$\begin{aligned}y &= \cosh(\ln(1 + \sqrt{2})) = \frac{e^{\ln(1+\sqrt{2})} + e^{-\ln(1+\sqrt{2})}}{2} = \frac{(1 + \sqrt{2}) + (1 + \sqrt{2})^{-1}}{2} \\ &= \frac{4 + 2\sqrt{2}}{2(1 + \sqrt{2})} = \frac{2 + \sqrt{2}}{1 + \sqrt{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}(\sqrt{2} + 1)}{1 + \sqrt{2}} = \sqrt{2}.\end{aligned}$$

Thus the point on the curve  $y = \cosh(x)$  at which the tangent line has slope 1 is  $(\ln(1 + \sqrt{2}), \sqrt{2})$ .

**Solution (4.1.33).** The critical numbers of  $s(t) = 3t^4 + 4t^3 - 6t^2$  are those values of  $t$  for which  $s'(t) = 0$  or  $s'(t)$  does not exist. Since  $s'(t) = 12t^3 + 12t^2 - 12t$  exists everywhere, the critical points must be those values of  $t$  for which

$$12t^3 + 12t^2 - 12t = 0.$$

Dividing both sides by 12, we find

$$t^3 + t^2 - t = 0.$$

Thus either  $t = 0$  or  $t^2 + t - 1 = 0$ . In the latter case, the quadratic formula tells us that  $t = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$ . Therefore the critical points are 0,  $\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}$ , and  $\frac{-1+\sqrt{5}}{2}$ .

**Solution (4.1.57).** We wish to find the absolute minimum and maximum values of  $f(t) = 2 \cos(t) + \sin(2t)$  on the interval  $[0, \pi/2]$ . To do so, we first examine the derivative of  $f(t)$  to find the critical points of  $f$ . We have that  $f'(t) = -2 \sin(t) + 2 \cos(2t)$ . Therefore the derivative exists everywhere and the critical points are all those values of  $t$  for which  $f'(t) = 0$ , that is

$$-2 \sin(t) + 2 \cos(2t) = 0.$$

Dividing by 2, this becomes

$$-\sin(t) + \cos(2t) = 0.$$

Using the double angle formula,  $\cos(2t) = 1 - 2 \sin^2(t)$ , we then find

$$-2 \sin^2(t) - \sin(t) + 1 = 0,$$

Factoring this, we find

$$-(2 \sin(t) - 1)(\sin(t) + 1) = 0.$$

Thus  $\sin(t) = \frac{1}{2}$  or  $\sin(t) = -1$ . In the first case, since  $t \in [0, \pi/2]$ , we must have that  $t = \pi/6$ . In the second case, since  $\sin(t)$  is nonnegative in the interval  $[0, \pi/2]$ , there is no value of  $t$  in  $[0, \pi/2]$  for which  $\sin(t) = -1$ . Therefore the only critical point of  $f$  in the interval  $[0, \pi/2]$  is at  $t = \pi/6$ . The boundary points of the interval are 0 and  $\pi/2$ . Since  $f(0) = 2$ ,  $f(\pi/2) = 0$ , and  $f(\pi/6) = \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{3}$  we conclude

ABSOLUTE MIN: occurs at  $x = \pi/2$  with value 0

ABSOLUTE MAX: occurs at  $x = \pi/6$  with value  $\frac{3}{2}\sqrt{3}$ .

**Solution** (4.1.71). We wish to maximize the function  $S(t)$  on the interval  $[0, 10]$ . The derivative of  $S(t)$  is

$$S'(t) = -0.00016185t^4 + 0.0036148t^3 - 0.026868t^2 + .072580t - 0.4458.$$

The roots of this polynomial are approximately the values 0.854778, 4.61772, 7.29191, and 9.56986, so these must be the critical points of  $S(t)$ . We have that  $S(0.854778) = 0.390683$ ,  $S(4.61772) = 0.436446$ ,  $S(7.29191) = 0.427119$ ,  $S(9.56986) = 0.436414$ . Additionally, the endpoints of the interval  $[0, 10]$  are 0 and 10 and  $S(0) = 0.4074$  and  $S(10) = 0.4346$ . It follows that

ABSOLUTE MIN: occurs at  $t = 0.854778$  with value 0.390683

ABSOLUTE MAX: occurs at  $t = 4.61772$  with value 0.436446.

Thus sugar was cheapest at  $t = 0.854778$  (June 1994) and most expensive at  $t = 4.61772$  (March 1998).