

MTH4100 Exercise sheet 5

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- Make sure you attend the excercise class that you have been assigned to!
- The instructor will present the starred problem in class.
- You should then work on the other problems on your own.
- The instructor and helper will be available for questions.
- Solutions will be available online after the exercise class took place.

(*)1. Definition of derivative.

- (a) State the definition of the derivative of the function f(x) with respect to the variable x.
- (b) Differentiate from first principles $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$ by using the definition involving $h \to 0$.
- (c) Does any tangent to the curve $y = \sqrt{x}$ cross the x-axis at x = -1? If so, find an equation for the line and the point of tangency. If not, why not?

2. Tangent line via derivatives. [2008 exam question] Find equations of all lines having slope -2 that are tangent to the curve

$$y = \frac{18}{x+9} \, .$$

3. Implicit differentiation. If

$$x^3 + y^3 = 56$$
,

find the values of dy/dx and d^2y/dx^2 at the point (-2, 4).

4. Differentiation rules

Find the derivative q'(t) of

$$q = \tan \frac{t}{\sqrt{t+2}}$$

- Extra: Suppose that a function f satisfies the following conditions for all real values of x and y:
 - i. f(x+y) = f(x)f(y). ii. f(x) = 1 + xg(x), where $\lim_{x\to 0} g(x) = 1$.

Show that the derivative f'(x) exists at every value of x and that f'(x) = f(x).

[2008 exam question]

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[(a), (b) 2008 exam questions]