

OSH 3  
Math 104 - Section 107

**Question 1** (2 points) Peter Pan sells flying powder. Denote by  $q$  the amount of power produced (in grams) and  $p$  the price (in dollars) of one gram of power. It is given that:

- (i)  $p$  and  $q$  are related via  $p^2 + q^2 = 5000$ .
- (ii) The cost of producing  $q$  grams of powder is  $C(q) = 1000 + 10q$ .

Answer the following:

1. Find the revenue ( $R$ ) and profit ( $P$ ). Express them as functions of  $q$ .  
From (i) we get  $p^2 = 5000 - q^2$ , so  $p = \sqrt{5000 - q^2}$ . Thus,

$$R(q) = pq = q\sqrt{5000 - q^2}$$
$$P(q) = R(q) - C(q) = q\sqrt{5000 - q^2} - 10q - 1000$$

2. Find the marginal cost and marginal revenue. Express them as functions of  $q$ .

$$C'(q) = (1000 + 10q)' = 10$$
$$R'(q) = \sqrt{5000 - q^2} + q \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{5000 - q^2}} \cdot (-2q)$$
$$= \sqrt{5000 - q^2} - \frac{q^2}{\sqrt{5000 - q^2}}$$

3. Suppose  $q = 50$ . What is the marginal revenue and marginal cost? Does increasing  $q$  increase the profit?

$$C'(50) = 10$$
$$R'(50) = \sqrt{5000 - 50^2} - \frac{50^2}{\sqrt{5000 - 50^2}} = 50 - \frac{50^2}{50} = 0$$

We get that  $P'(50) = R'(50) - C'(50) = 0 - 10 = -10$ . Thus, increasing  $q$  decreases the profit.

4. For what  $q$  is the profit maximal?  
There was a mistake in this exercise so it will not be graded.

**Question 2** (2 points) Differentiate the following functions:

1.  $2^x + \log_3 x - 2x^\pi$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(2^x + \log_3 x - 2x^\pi) = 2^x \ln 2 + \frac{1}{x \ln 3} - 2\pi x^{\pi-1}$$

2.  $(5^x - x)^{1.4}$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(5^x - x)^{1.4} = 1.4(5^x - x)^{0.4} \cdot (5^x - x)' = 1.4(5^x - x)^{0.4}(5^x \ln 5 - 1)$$

3.  $x^{(e^x)}$

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

4.  $(\ln x)^{\ln x}$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx}(\ln x)^{\ln x} &= \frac{d}{dx}(e^{\ln x \cdot \ln \ln x}) = e^{\ln x \cdot \ln \ln x} \cdot (\ln x \cdot \ln \ln x)' \\ &= (\ln x)^{\ln x} \left( \frac{\ln \ln x}{x} + \ln x \cdot (\ln \ln x)' \right) \\ &= (\ln x)^{\ln x} \left( \frac{\ln \ln x}{x} + \ln x \cdot \frac{1}{\ln x} \cdot \frac{1}{x} \right) \\ &= (\ln x)^{\ln x} \left( \frac{\ln \ln x}{x} + \frac{1}{x} \right) = \frac{(\ln x)^{\ln x} (\ln \ln x + 1)}{x} \end{aligned}$$

**Question 3** (2 points) Use implicit differentiation to express  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  as a function of  $x$  and  $y$  in the following cases:

1.  $x^3 + xy + y^3 = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx}(x^3 + xy + y^3) &= \frac{d}{dx}1 \\ 3x^2 + y + xy' + 3y^2y' &= 0 \\ y'(x + 3y^2) &= -3x^2 - y \\ \boxed{\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{3x^2 + y}{x + 3y^2}} \end{aligned}$$

2.  $e^x + e^y = xy + 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx}(e^x + e^y) &= \frac{d}{dx}(xy + 1) \\ e^x + e^y y' &= y + xy' \\ y'(e^y - x) &= y - e^x \\ \boxed{\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y - e^x}{e^y - x}} \end{aligned}$$

**Question 4** (2 points) Find the tangent line to the curve  $x + \cos x = y^5 + y^4 - 1$  at the point  $(0, 1)$ .

**Solution:** We find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  using implicit differentiation:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx}(x + \cos x) &= \frac{d}{dx}(y^5 + y^4 - 1) \\ 1 - \sin x &= 5y^4y' + 4y^3y' \\ y'(5y^4 + 4y^3) &= 1 - \sin x \\ \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{1 - \sin x}{5y^4 + 4y^3} \end{aligned}$$

The slope of the tangent line at  $(0, 1)$  is

$$m = \left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{x=0, y=1} = \frac{1 - \sin 0}{5 \cdot 1^4 + 4 \cdot 1^3} = \frac{1}{9}.$$

Thus, the tangent line is

$$\begin{aligned} y - 1 &= m(x - 0) \\ \boxed{y = \frac{1}{9}x + 1} \end{aligned}$$

**Question 5** (2 points) Find all values of  $a$  for which the tangent line to the curve  $x^2 - axy + y^2 = 1$  at the point  $(1, 0)$  passes through the point  $(2, 5)$ .

**Solution:** We find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  using implicit differentiation:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dx}(x^2 - axy + y^2) &= \frac{d}{dx}(1) \\ 2x - (ay + axy') + 2yy' &= 0 \\ y'(2y - ax) &= ay - 2x \\ \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{ay - 2x}{2y - ax}\end{aligned}$$

The slope of the tangent line at  $(1, 0)$  is

$$m = \left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{x=1, y=0} = \frac{a \cdot 0 - 2 \cdot 1}{2 \cdot 0 - a \cdot 1} = \frac{2}{a}$$

The tangent line at  $(1, 0)$  is

$$\begin{aligned}y - 0 &= m(x - 1) \\ y &= \frac{2}{a}(x - 1)\end{aligned}$$

The tangent line passes through  $(2, 5)$  precisely when

$$5 = \frac{2}{a}(2 - 1)$$

$$5a = 2$$

$$\boxed{a = \frac{2}{5} = 0.4}$$