1. Find f'(x) for the following functions. (You need not simplify your answers.)

(a) 
$$f(x) = \frac{(2x+3)^3}{4x^2+1}$$

(b) 
$$f(x) = e^{-2x^2+x} + \ln(x^2 + 2e^{-3x})$$

(c) 
$$f(x) = (x^2 - 1)^4 e^{3x^2}$$

Solution. For part (a), we use the quotient rule to get

$$f'(x) = \frac{(4x^2 + 1)3(2x + 3)^2 \cdot 2 - (2x + 3)^3 8x}{(4x^2 + 1)^2}.$$

For part (b), we use the rules for  $e^{h(x)}$  and  $\ln h(x)$  to get

$$f'(x) = e^{-2x^2 + x}(-4x + 1) + \frac{2x - 6xe^{-3x}}{x^2 + 2e^{-3x}}.$$

For part (c), we use the product rule and then the chain rule to get

$$f(x) = 4(x^2 - 1)^3 \cdot 2x \cdot e^{3x^2} + (x^2 - 1)^4 \cdot e^{3x^2} \cdot 6x.$$

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(a) 
$$16^{-x+1} = 8^{2x}$$

(b) 
$$2e^{3x+4} = 10$$

Solution. For part (a), we have

$$(2^{4})^{-x+1} = (2^{3})^{2x}$$
$$2^{4(-x+1)} = 2^{6x}$$
$$4(-x+1) = 6x$$
$$-4x+4 = 6x$$
$$4 = 10x,$$

and so x = 4/10.

For part (b), we have

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$$e^{3x+4} = \frac{10}{2} = 5$$

$$\ln(e^{3x+4}) = \ln 5$$

$$3x + 4 = \ln 5$$

$$3x = (\ln 5) - 4$$

$$x = \frac{(\ln 5) - 4}{3}$$

3. I need to have \$60,000 in 18 years to pay my son's college tuition. How much must I invest now in an account paying 10% compounded annually to have the required amound in 18 years?

Solution. Using the equation

$$P = A \left( 1 + \frac{r}{m} \right)^{mt}$$

with P = 60000, r = .10, m = 1, and t = 18, we have  $60,000 = A(1.1)^{18}$  and so  $A = 60,000/(1.1)^{18}$ , which gives \$10,791.53 as the required amount to invest now.

4. Find the equation of the tangent line to the graph of the curve  $y = f(x) = (5x^2 - 3)^3$  at x = 1.

Solution. First, we find  $f(1) = (5 \cdot 1^2 - 3)^3 = 2^3 = 8$  and then  $f'(x) = 3(5x^2 - 3)^2(10x)$  so  $f'(1) = 3(5 \cdot 1^2 - 3)^2 \cdot 10 = 3 \cdot 4 \cdot 10 = 120$ . Thus, the equation of the tangent line is

$$y - 8 = 120(x - 1).$$

5. Cesium-134 has a half-life of 2.065 years. How much of a 60 gram mass is left after 10 years?

Solution. Let C(t) be the amount of Cesium, in grams, after t years. Then we know that C(0) = 60, C(2.065) = 30 and we have to find C(10).

The general formula for C(t) is  $Ae^{kt}$  and to find A we notice that 60 =

 $C(0) = Ae^{k \cdot 0} = A$ . To find k, we solve

$$30 = C(2.065) = 60e^{k \cdot 2.065}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} = e^{k \cdot 2.065}$$

$$\ln\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = k \cdot 2.065$$

$$k = \frac{\ln\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}{2.065} = -.3357$$

Thus,  $C(10) = 60e^{-.3357 \cdot 10} = 2.09$  grams.

- 6. Let  $f(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^4 4x^3 + 9x^2 + 3$ , for all numbers x.
  - (a) Find all critical numbers of f(x).
  - (b) Chart f'(x) on a number line.

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- (c) List the open intervals on which f(x) is an increasing function.
- (d) List the open intervals on which f(x) is an decreasing function.

Solution. Notice that

$$f'(x) = 2x^3 - 12x^2 + 18x$$
$$= 2x(x^2 - 6x + 9)$$
$$= 2x(x - 3)^2$$

Since f'(x) is never undefined, the only critical numbers are where f'(x) = 0, that is, 0 and 3.

Since f(x) is never undefined, the only points where we have to split the number line are 0 and 3. For the interval  $(-\infty, 0)$ , we pick x = -1 and get  $f'(-1) = 2(-1)(-4)^2 < 0$ . For the interval (0,3), we pick x = 1 and get  $f'(1) = 2 \cdot 1(-3)^2 > 0$ . For the interval  $(3, +\infty)$ , we pick x = 4 and get  $f'(1) = 2 \cdot 4 \cdot 1^2 > 0$ .

Thus, f(x) is increasing on (0,3) and  $(3,+\infty)$  and it is decreasing on  $(-\infty,0)$ .

7. How long does it take (in years) for \$20,000 to double in value, if it is invested in an account paying 6% compounded monthly?

Solution. Using the equation

$$P = A \left( 1 + \frac{r}{m} \right)^{mt}$$

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with 
$$A=20000$$
,  $P=40000$ ,  $r=.06$ , and  $m=12$ , we have 
$$40000=20000(1.005)^{12t}$$
 
$$2=(1.005)^{12t}$$
 
$$\ln 2=\ln(1.005)^{12t}$$
 
$$\ln 2=12t\ln 1.005$$

$$t = \frac{\ln 2}{12 \ln 1.005} = 11.581$$

Thus, it will take 11.581 years or, to be precise, 11 years and 7 months.

8. If  $\log_b 2 = a$  and  $\log_b 5 = c$ , express  $\log_b 100$  in terms of a and c?

Solution. Since  $100 = 2^2 \cdot 5^2$ , by the properties of logarithms,

$$\begin{aligned} \log_b 100 &= \log_b (2^2 \cdot 5^2) \\ &= \log_b 2^2 + \log_b 5^2 \\ &= 2\log_b 2 + 2\log_b 5 = 2a + 2c. \end{aligned}$$