

Review problems for Midterm 2 covering materials from AAOL to CFGF.

Problem 1.

(Differentiation techniques)

- (a) Use implicit differentiation to find $\frac{dy}{dx}$.

$$e^{xy} = e + x - y.$$

- (b) Find the derivative $\frac{dy}{dx}$. (a is a nonzero constant.)

i. $y = 5 \sin(x) \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{x+1}\right)$

ii. $y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tan(x^2) + 5}}$

iii. $y = xe^{ax} + \sin^{-1}(ax)$

iv. $y = (\sin(x))^{ax}$

- (c) Given that $h(x) = \ln(\sec(x) + \tan(x))$, show that $h'(x) = \sec(x)$

(a) On differentiation, we have

$$e^{xy} (y + xy') = 1 - y'.$$

Rearranging terms,

$$(1 + xe^{xy}) y' = 1 - y e^{xy}.$$

Finally we solve for y' :

$$y' = \frac{1 - y e^{xy}}{1 + xe^{xy}}$$

(b) i. $\frac{dy}{dx} = 5 \cos(x) \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{x+1}\right)$

$$+ 5 \sin(x) \cdot \frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{x}{x+1}\right)^2} \cdot \frac{(x+1) - x}{(x+1)^2}$$

$$= 5 \cos(x) \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{x+1}\right) + 5 \frac{\sin(x)}{(x+1)^2 + x^2}$$

ii. $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx} \left[(\tan(x^2) + 5)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \right]$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} (\tan(x^2) + 5)^{-\frac{3}{2}} \cdot \sec^2(x^2) \cdot 2x$$

iii. $\frac{dy}{dx} = e^{ax} + x \cdot e^{ax} \cdot a + \frac{a}{\sqrt{1 - a^2 x^2}}$

iv. Note that it is a "tower function". We proceed by logarithmic differentiation:

① Take ln:

$$\ln(y) = \ln[(\sin(x))^{ax}]$$

$$\ln(y) = ax \ln(\sin(x)) \quad \cot(x)$$

② Take $\frac{d}{dx}$:

$$\frac{y'}{y} = a \ln(\sin(x)) + ax \left(\frac{\cos(x)}{\sin(x)} \right)$$

③ Solve for y' :

$$\begin{aligned} y' &= y (a \ln(\sin(x)) + ax \cot(x)) \\ &= (\sin(x))^{ax} (a \ln(\sin(x)) + ax \cot(x)) \end{aligned}$$

(c) $h'(x) = \frac{(\sec(x) + \tan(x))'}{\sec(x) + \tan(x)}$

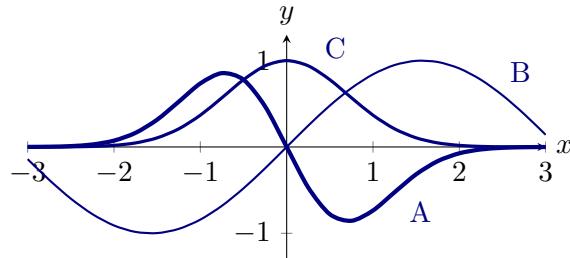
$$= \frac{\sec(x) \tan(x) + \sec^2(x)}{\sec(x) + \tan(x)}$$

$$= \frac{\sec(x) (\sec(x) + \tan(x))}{\sec(x) + \tan(x)}$$

$$= \sec(x)$$

Problem 2.(Graphs of f , f' , and f'')

The figure below shows the graphs of f , f' , and another function g .



Determine which curve is which.

Assume C were the graph of f . Since it is increasing on $(-3, 0)$, the graph of its derivative must be above the x -axis; A is so while B is not. Similarly, while C is decreasing on $(0, 3)$, A is below the x -axis.

Hence,

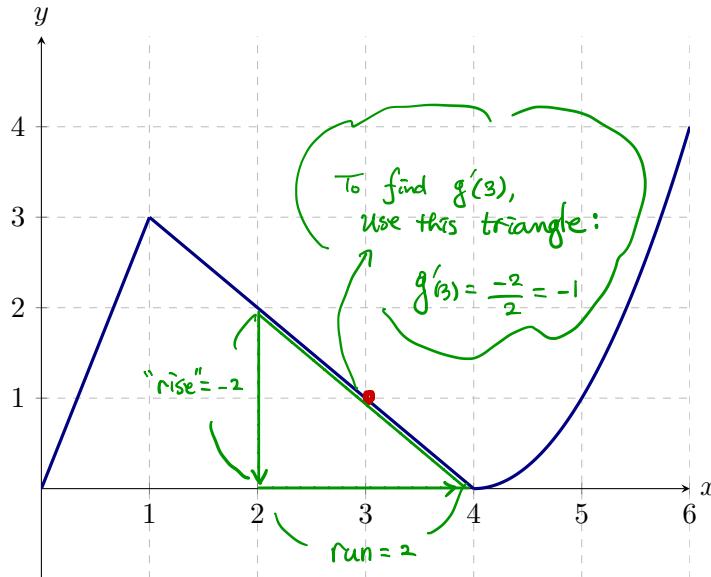
- C must be the graph of f ;
- A must be the graph of f' ;
- B must be the graph of g .

Problem 3.

(Derivatives of composed and inverse functions)

A table of values for $f(x)$ and $f'(x)$, along with a graph of a function $g(x)$ is shown below.

x	$f(x)$	$f'(x)$
1	2	4
2	3	5
3	4	1



Compute the following:

(a) $\frac{d}{dx}g(x)$ at $x = 1$

(b) $\frac{d}{dx}f(g(x))$ at $x = 3$

(c) $\frac{d}{dx}g(f(x))$ at $x = 2$

(d) $f^{-1}(3)$

(e) $\frac{d}{dx}f^{-1}(x)$ at $x = 3$

(a) The graph of g has a corner at $x=1$.
So $g'(1)$ does not exist.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b)} \left[\frac{d}{dx} f(g(x)) \right]_{x=3} &= f'(g(3)) \underbrace{g'(3)}_{=-1} \\ &= \underbrace{f'(1)}_{=4} \cdot (-1) \\ &= \boxed{-4} \end{aligned}$$

(d) $f^{-1}(3) = 2$
since $f(2) = 3$ from the table.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(e)} \left[\frac{d}{dx} f^{-1}(x) \right]_{x=3} &= \frac{1}{f'(f^{-1}(3))} \\ &= \frac{1}{f'(2)} = \boxed{\frac{1}{5}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(c)} \left[\frac{d}{dx} g(f(x)) \right]_{x=2} &= g'(f(2)) \underbrace{f'(2)}_{=5} \\ &= \underbrace{g'(3)}_{=-1} \cdot 5 \\ &= \boxed{-5} \end{aligned}$$

Problem 4.

(Various properties of a function and its derivatives)

The function f is defined by

$$f(x) = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 - 9}}.$$

- (a) Find the domain of f .
- (b) Is f even, odd, or neither?
- (c) Calculate $f'(x)$.
- (d) Calculate $f''(x)$.
- (e) List the intervals on which f is increasing/decreasing/concave up/concave down.
- (f) List the x -coordinates of all critical and inflection points.

(a) For $\sqrt{x^2 - 9}$ to make sense, we need $x^2 - 9 > 0$. But when $x^2 - 9 = 0$, the denominator is zero, which must be avoided. So we need

$$0 < x^2 - 9 = (x-3)(x+3) \Rightarrow x < -3 \text{ or } x > 3.$$

Thus the domain of f is

$$(-\infty, -3) \cup (3, \infty).$$

(b) Since $f(-x) = \frac{-x}{\sqrt{(-x)^2 - 9}} = -\frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 - 9}} = -f(x)$, f is odd.

$$(c) f'(x) = \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 - 9}} - \frac{x^2}{\sqrt{x^2 - 9}}}{x^2 - 9} \quad (\text{Quot. Rule})$$

Side calculation:

$$\frac{d}{dx} \sqrt{x^2 - 9} = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 - 9}} = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 - 9}}$$

$$= \frac{(x^2 - 9) - x^2}{(x^2 - 9)^{3/2}} \quad (\text{Multiplying by } \frac{\sqrt{x^2 - 9}}{\sqrt{x^2 - 9}})$$

$$= -\frac{9}{(x^2 - 9)^{3/2}} \quad \text{or} \quad -9(x^2 - 9)^{-3/2}$$

$$(d) f''(x) = (\underline{-9})(\underline{\frac{3}{2}})(x^2 - 9)^{-5/2} \cdot \cancel{2x}$$

$$= 27x(x^2 - 9)^{-5/2} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{27x}{(x^2 - 9)^{5/2}}$$

(e) Note that $(x^2 - 9)^{3/2} > 0$ and $(x^2 - 9)^{5/2} > 0$ on the domain found in (a). So

- $f'(x) < 0$ and $f''(x) > 0$, i.e. f DEC & CU, on $(3, \infty)$
- $f'(x) < 0$ and $f''(x) < 0$, i.e. f DEC & CD, on $(-\infty, -3)$

(f) Consequently f does not have any critical points nor inflection points.

Problem 5.

(Critical points)

Do not use graphs to justify your answer.

- (a) Let $f(x) = x^4 - 8x^2 + 10$. Find the critical points of f .
- (b) Let $f(x) = x \ln x$.
- Find the domain of f .
 - Locate the critical points of f .
- (c) Let $f(x) = x\sqrt{6-x^2}$
- Find the domain of f .
 - State the interval(s) of continuity of f .
 - Find the critical points of f .

$$(a) f'(x) = 4x^3 - 16x = 4x(x^2 - 4) \\ = 4x(x-2)(x+2) \quad (= 0) \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Set } f'(x) \text{ equal to 0} \\ \text{and solve for } x. \end{array}$$

$\Rightarrow x = 0 \text{ or } x = \pm 2 \text{ are critical points.}$

(Note: f' , as a cubic polynomial, is defined for all real numbers. So there is no critical point arising due to f' not being defined.)

(b) i. $(0, \infty)$ because of $\ln x$.

ii. $f'(x) = \ln x + x \cdot \frac{1}{x} = \ln x + 1 \quad (= 0) \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Set } f'(x) \text{ equal to 0} \\ \text{and solve for } x. \end{array}$

$$\Rightarrow \ln x = -1 \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{exponentiate} \\ \Rightarrow x = e^{-1} \text{ or } x = \frac{1}{e} \end{array}$$

(Note: f' is defined on $(0, \infty)$ as well, so f' is well defined on the entire domain of the original function.)

(c) i. $[-\sqrt{6}, \sqrt{6}]$ since we need $6 - x^2 \geq 0$.

ii. f is continuous on its domain $[-\sqrt{6}, \sqrt{6}]$.

iii. $f'(x) = \sqrt{6-x^2} + x \frac{-2x}{\cancel{\sqrt{6-x^2}}} = \sqrt{6-x^2} - \frac{x^2}{\sqrt{6-x^2}} \quad (= 0) \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Set } f'(x) \text{ equal} \\ \text{to 0 and solve} \\ \text{for } x. \end{array}$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{6-x^2} = \frac{x^2}{\sqrt{6-x^2}} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{multiply by} \\ \sqrt{6-x^2} \end{array} \quad \Rightarrow 6-x^2 = x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 = 6 \quad \text{so } x = \pm\sqrt{3}$$

(Note: In the interior of the domain $(-\sqrt{6}, \sqrt{6})$, f' is well defined.)

Problem 6.

(Position, velocity, and acceleration (1))

The position, $s(t)$, of an object moving along a horizontal line is given by $s(t) = 3 \sin(\pi t/4)$, $t \geq 0$, where s is measured in feet and t in seconds.

- The position of the particle at time $t = 2$ is ft.
- Find the average velocity, v_{av} , of the object over the interval $[0, t]$.
- Using the expression found in part (b), evaluate $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} v_{av}$. What does this limit represent?
- Find the velocity of the particle.
- Find the acceleration of the particle:

$$(a) s(2) = 3 \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4} \cdot 2\right) = 3 \underbrace{\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)}_{=1} = 3$$

$$(b) v_{av} = \frac{s(t) - s(0)}{t - 0} = \frac{3 \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4}t\right) - 3 \sin(0)}{t}$$

$$= 3 \frac{\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4}t\right)}{t}$$

$$(c) \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} 3 \frac{\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4}t\right)}{t} = 3 \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4}t\right)}{\frac{\pi}{4}t} \cdot \frac{\frac{\pi}{4}}{\frac{\pi}{4}}$$

$$= \frac{3\pi}{4} \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4}t\right)}{\frac{\pi}{4}t} = \frac{3\pi}{4} \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\sin(\theta)}{\theta} = \frac{3\pi}{4}$$

Set $\theta = \frac{\pi}{4}t$

This is the instantaneous velocity of the object at $t=0$.

$$(d) v(t) = s'(t) = \frac{3\pi}{4} \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}t\right)$$

$$(e) a(t) = v'(t) = -\frac{3\pi^2}{16} \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4}t\right)$$

Note: In (c), we calculated the velocity at $t=0$ by taking "limit" of an average velocity. Using the result in part (d), we readily confirm this limit calculation:

$$v(0) = \frac{3\pi}{4} \cos(0) = \frac{3\pi}{4} \quad \checkmark$$

Problem 7.

(Position, velocity, and acceleration (2))

The position function for an object at time t , $0 \leq t \leq 10$, is given by

$$s(t) = -40t^2 + 160t + 480 = -40(t^2 - 4t - 12)$$

Use this information to answer the following questions.

- (a) Find the velocity $v(t)$ and the acceleration $a(t)$ at any time t , $0 < t < 10$.
- (b) At what time is the object furthest from the origin in the positive direction? What are the velocity and acceleration at that time?
- (c) At what (positive) time is this object at the origin? What are the velocity and acceleration at that time?
- (d) Find the time intervals when the velocity is decreasing?

(a) $v(t) = s'(t) = -80t + 160 = -80(t-2)$

$a(t) = v'(t) = -80$

(b) From (a), we see that $t=2$ is a critical point. Furthermore, since $s''(2) = a(2) < 0$, by the 2nd Derivative Test, $s(t)$ attains a local maximum value at $t=2$:

$$s(2) = -40 \cdot 2^2 + 160 \cdot 2 + 480 = 640 > 0$$

Since this is a solitary local extremum, it is the global maximum and so the object is furthest from the origin in the positive direction at $t=2$ with

$v(2) = 0$ and $a(2) = -80$

(c) Since $s(t)$ is factored as

$$s(t) = -40(t-6)(t+2)$$

the object is at the origin (i.e. $s(t)=0$) at $t=6$; recall we want a positive time. At $t=6$,

$v(6) = -320$ and $a(6) = -80$.

(d) The velocity is decreasing when its derivative is negative, i.e. when the acceleration is negative. We found that $a(t) = -80 < 0$ at all time. So $(0, 10)$.

Problem 8.

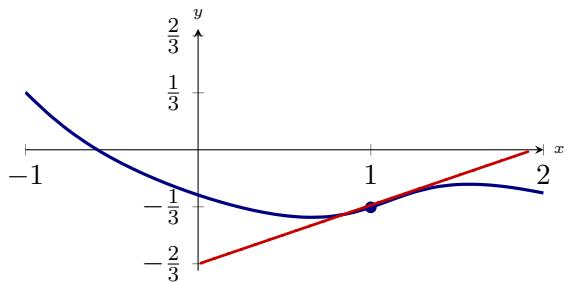
(Implicit differentiation)

A curve is given by the equation

$$\tan(3y + x) = x^2 - 1. \quad (*)$$

- (a) Use implicit differentiation to find the derivative $\frac{dy}{dx}$.
 (b) Check algebraically that the point $(1, -1/3)$ lies on the curve.

Part of the curve that contains the point $(1, -1/3)$ is shown in the figure below.



- (c) Find an explicit expression for y represented by the graph above.
 (d) Using the explicit expression in Part (c), find the derivative $\frac{dy}{dx}$.
 (e) Evaluate $\frac{dy}{dx}$ at $x = 1$.
 (f) In the figure above, draw the tangent line to the curve at point $(1, -1/3)$.
 (g) Write an equation of this tangent line.

(a) Taking $\frac{d}{dx}$ of both sides of the given equation:

$$\sec^2(3y + x) \cdot (3y' + 1) = 2x$$

Rearranging and solving for y' :

$$3 \sec^2(3y + x) y' = 2x - \sec^2(3y + x)$$

$$\therefore y' = \frac{2x - \sec^2(3y + x)}{3 \sec^2(3y + x)}$$

(b) Plugging in $x=1$ and $y=-\frac{1}{3}$:

$$\begin{aligned} (\text{Left-hand side}) &= \tan(3(-\frac{1}{3}) + 1) \\ &= \tan(0) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$(\text{Right-hand side}) = 1^2 - 1 = 0$$

Since $(\text{LHS}) = (\text{RHS})$, the point is indeed on the curve

$$(d) 3y + x = \tan^{-1}(x^2 - 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{1}{3}(-x + \tan^{-1}(x^2 - 1))$$

$$(e) \left[\frac{dy}{dx} \right]_{x=1} = \left[\frac{1}{3} \left(-1 + \frac{2x}{1 + (x^2 - 1)^2} \right) \right]_{x=1} = \frac{1}{3}(-1 + 2) = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$(g) \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{slope: } \left[\frac{dy}{dx} \right]_{x=1} = \frac{1}{3} \\ \text{point: } (1, -\frac{1}{3}) \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\text{Thus, } y + \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{3}(x - 1)$$

Problem 9.

(Related rates: angular rates)

A 10-foot-long ladder rests against a vertical wall. If the bottom of the ladder slides away from the wall at a speed of 2 ft/s, how fast is the angle between the top of the ladder and the wall changing when the angle is $\pi/3$ radians?

Equation relevant to the configuration:

$$(1) \sin(\theta) = \frac{x}{10}$$

Know: $\frac{dx}{dt} = 2$

Want: $\left[\frac{d\theta}{dt} \right]_{\theta=\frac{\pi}{3}}$

Taking $\frac{d}{dt}$ of (1):

$$\cos(\theta) \frac{d\theta}{dt} = \frac{1}{10} \frac{dx}{dt}$$

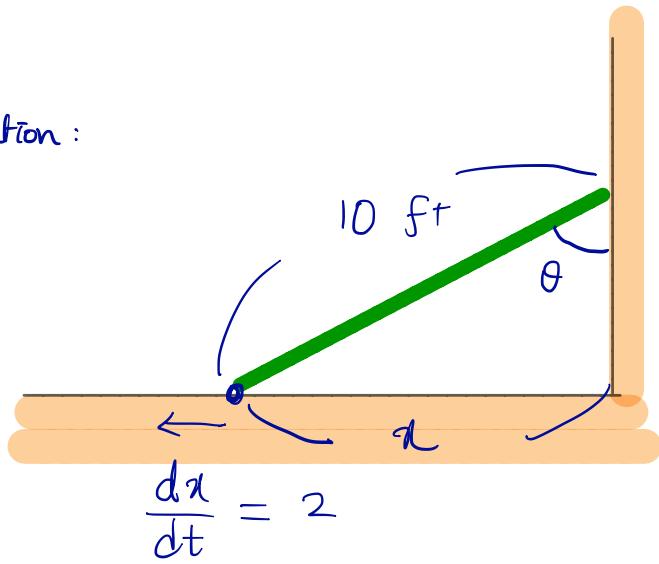
We then solve for $\frac{d\theta}{dt}$:

$$\frac{d\theta}{dt} = \frac{1}{10 \cos(\theta)} \frac{dx}{dt}$$

Finally, evaluate at the desired moment.

$$\left[\frac{d\theta}{dt} \right]_{\theta=\frac{\pi}{3}} = \frac{1}{10 \cos(\frac{\pi}{3})} \cdot 2 = \frac{2}{5}$$

$= \frac{1}{2}$



$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{x}{10} \right) \\ &= \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{1}{10} \cdot x \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{10} \frac{dx}{dt} \end{aligned}$$

Problem 10.

(Related rates: spherical geometry)

We are inflating a spherical balloon at a rate of $3 \text{ cm}^3/\text{sec}$. At what rate is the radius increasing when the radius is 6 cm? At what rate is the surface area increasing at that moment?

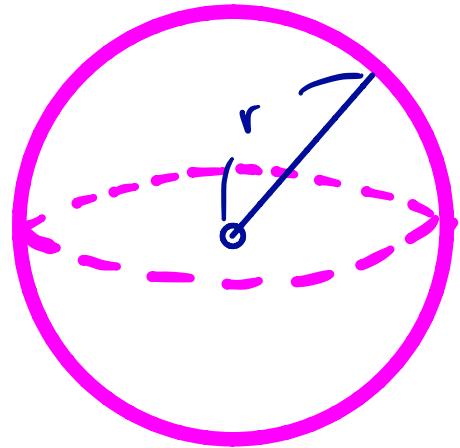
o Relevant equations:

$$V = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3 \quad (\text{Volume})$$

$$S = 4\pi r^2 \quad (\text{Surface area})$$

o Know: $\frac{dV}{dt} = 3$

o Want: $\left[\frac{dr}{dt} \right]_{r=6}$ and $\left[\frac{dS}{dt} \right]_{r=6}$.



Begin by taking $\frac{d}{dt}$ of (Volume) equation:

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = 4\pi r^2 \frac{dr}{dt}.$$

Solving for $\frac{dr}{dt}$:

$$\frac{dr}{dt} = \frac{1}{4\pi r^2} \frac{dV}{dt}$$

At last, evaluate at $r=6$ using given values:

$$\left[\frac{dr}{dt} \right]_{r=6} = \frac{1}{4\pi \cdot 6^2} \cdot 3 = \frac{1}{48\pi}$$

To answer the second part, take $\frac{d}{dt}$ of (surface area) equation:

$$\frac{dS}{dt} = 8\pi r \frac{dr}{dt}$$

We can evaluate this right away:

$$\left[\frac{dS}{dt} \right]_{r=6} = 8\pi \cdot 6 \left[\frac{dr}{dt} \right]_{r=6} = 48\pi \cdot \frac{1}{48\pi} = 1$$

Problem 11.

(Related rates: right triangles)

Two cars leave an intersection. One heads west at 30 mi/h; the other leaves half an hour later, heading north at 40 mi/h. How fast is the distance between them changing one hour after the first car left the intersection?

o Relevant equation:

$$s^2 = x^2 + y^2$$

o Know: $\frac{dx}{dt} = 30$, $\frac{dy}{dt} = 40$

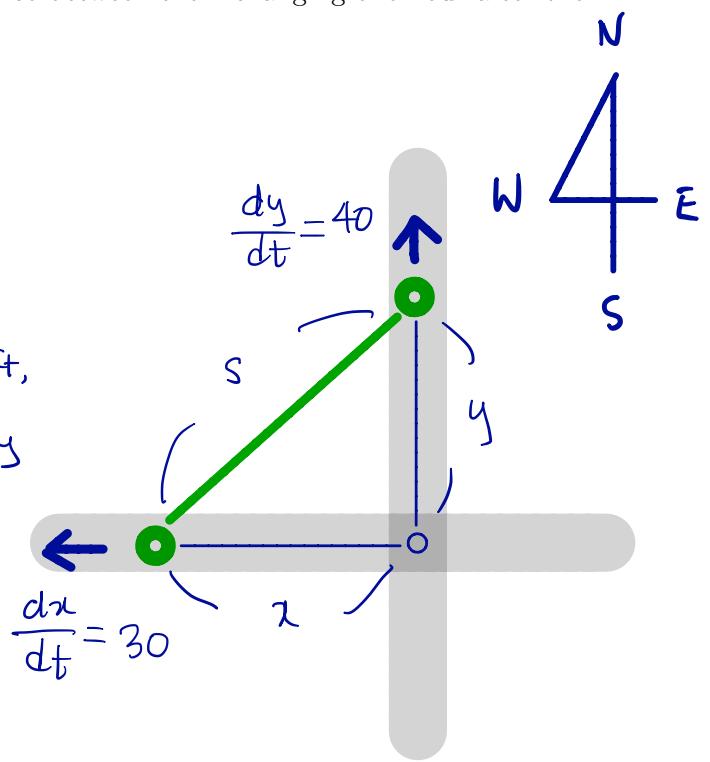
o Also know: $t = 1$ hour after first car left,

$$x = 30, \quad y = 20 \quad (\text{since this only traveled for } \frac{1}{2} \text{ hour.})$$

$$s = 10\sqrt{13}$$

o Want: $\left[\frac{ds}{dt} \right]_{t=1}$

1 hour
after first
car left



Differentiating the equation with respect to t:

$$\cancel{x}s \frac{ds}{dt} = \cancel{x}\cancel{s} \frac{dx}{dt} + \cancel{y} \frac{dy}{dt}$$

Isolating $\frac{ds}{dt}$:

$$\frac{ds}{dt} = \frac{1}{s} \left(x \frac{dx}{dt} + y \frac{dy}{dt} \right)$$

Evaluating:

$$\left[\frac{ds}{dt} \right]_{t=1} = \frac{1}{10\sqrt{13}} (30 \cdot 30 + 20 \cdot 40)$$

$$= \frac{170}{\sqrt{13}}$$

Problem 12.

(Rates of change and related rates: miscellaneous)

A water tank is to be drained for cleaning. There are V liters (ℓ) of water left in the tank t minutes after the draining began, where $V = 42(60 - t)^2$.

- Find the average rate at which water drains during the first 10 minutes.
- Find the (instantaneous) rate at which the volume of water is changing 10 minutes after the draining began.
- What are the units of

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\frac{dV(t)}{dt}}{V(t)} \right) ?$$

Find this expression.

- Find the rate of the rate at which the volume of the water is changing 10 minutes after draining began.
- Is the rate at which the volume of the water is changing increasing or decreasing (during the draining)?
- Assume that the tank has the shape of a rectangular box 7 meters long, 6 meters wide, and 5 meters high. What is the rate of change of the water depth when the water depth is 3 meters? (Hint: $1\ell = 0.001\text{m}^3$.)

$$(a) \text{ Avg. rate} = \frac{V(10) - V(0)}{10 - 0} = \frac{42}{10} (50^2 - 60^2) = \frac{42}{10} \cdot (-10)(110) = -4620 \text{ (l/min)}$$

$$(b) V'(t) = -84(60-t) \Rightarrow V'(0) = -84 \cdot 50 = -4200 \text{ (l/min)}$$

$$(c) \text{ Since } \frac{V'(t)}{V(t)} = \frac{-2}{60-t}, \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{V'(t)}{V(t)} \right) = (-2) \cdot \frac{(-1)}{(60-t)^2} \cdot (-1) = -\frac{2}{(60-t)^2} \text{ (1/min^2)}$$

$$(d) V''(t) = 84 \Rightarrow V''(10) = 84 \text{ (l/min^2)}$$

(e) Since $V'' > 0$, it is increasing.

$$(f) \text{ In terms of water depth } h, V = 7.6 \cdot h = 42h, \text{ so } \frac{dV}{dt} = 42 \frac{dh}{dt}.$$

$$\text{Thus } \frac{dh}{dt} = \frac{1}{42} \frac{dV}{dt} \text{ in general. Now, when } h=3, V=126 \text{ m}^3 = 126000 \text{ l.}$$

Using the given formula for $V(t)$:

$$V(t) = 42(60-t)^2 = 126000 \Rightarrow (60-t)^2 = 3000 \Rightarrow t = 60 - \sqrt{3000}$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dh}{dt} \Big|_{h=3} &= \frac{dh}{dt} \Big|_{t=60-\sqrt{3000}} = \frac{1}{42} \cdot V'(60-\sqrt{3000}) = -2\sqrt{3000} \text{ l/m}^2 \cdot \text{min} \\ &= -\frac{\sqrt{3000}}{500} \text{ m/min.} \end{aligned}$$