

FR1 [non-calculator]

Let f be the function given by $f(x) = \frac{\ln x}{x}$ for all $x > 0$. The derivative of f is given by

$$f'(x) = \frac{1 - \ln x}{x^2}$$

- (a) Write the equation of the line tangent to the graph of f at $x = e^2$

Need a slope and a point and the formula $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$

$$\text{Point: } f(e^2) = \frac{\ln e^2}{e^2} = \frac{2}{e^2}$$

$$\text{Slope: } f'(e^2) = \frac{1 - \ln e^2}{(e^2)^2} = \frac{-1}{e^4}$$

Equation of line tangent to the graph at $x = e^2$ is

$$y - \frac{2}{e^2} = \frac{-1}{e^4} (x - e^2)$$

- (b) Find the x-coordinate of the critical point of f . Determine whether this point is a relative minimum, relative maximum, or neither for this function. Justify your answer [using Calculus].

$$f'(x) = 0 \text{ if } 1 - \ln x = 0$$

$$1 - \ln x = 0$$

$$1 = \ln x$$

$$e = x$$

On $(0, e)$ $f'(x) > 0$

On (e, ∞) $f'(x) < 0$

At $x = e$, $f'(x)$ changes from positive to negative values. Hence, f has a relative maximum value at $x = e$.

If you use the Second Derivative Test:

Since $f''(e) < 0$, then by the Second Derivative Test f has a relative maximum value at $x = e$.

(c) Find $f''(x)$

$$f''(x) = \frac{(x^2)\left(\frac{-1}{x}\right) - (1 - \ln x)(2x)}{x^4}$$

This is an acceptable answer. If you simplify, then

$$f''(x) = \frac{2 \ln x - 3}{x^3}$$

If you tried using the product rule, then

$$f''(x) = -2x^{-3} - \left[\frac{1 - 2 \ln x}{x^3} \right]$$

BONUS

Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = -\infty$

FR2 [Calculator, so use your #!%&^ calculator!]

A particle moves along the x-axis so that its velocity v at any time t [in seconds], for $0 \leq t \leq 16$, is given by $v(t) = e^{2\sin t} + \ln(t^2 + 1)$ in meters per second. The particle is at position $x = 5$ at time $t = 0$.

- (a) Find the acceleration at time $t = 12$. Indicate units.

$$a(t) = v'(t) \text{ so } a(12) = v'(12) \approx 0.742597 \frac{m}{\text{sec}^2}$$

- (b) Find the position of the particle at time $t = 12$.

$$\begin{aligned} s(12) &= s(0) + \int_0^{12} v(t) dt \\ &\approx 5 + 66.9997548 \\ &\approx 71.9997548 \end{aligned}$$

- (c) Find the total distance traveled by the particle over the interval $0 \leq t \leq 16$ seconds.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Total distance traveled} &= \int_0^{16} |v(t)| dt \\ &\approx 101.9178126 \text{ m} \end{aligned}$$

The only way I would have accepted $\int_0^{16} v(t) dt$ was if you explicitly stated that $v(t) \geq 0$ on $[0, 16]$

BONUS

Find the average speed of the particle over the interval $0 \leq t \leq 16$ seconds. Indicate units.

$$\text{Speed} = |v(t)|$$

$$\text{Average speed} = \frac{1}{16-0} \int_0^{16} |v(t)| dt \approx 6.36986 \frac{m}{\text{sec}}$$

Most common mistakes made:

Unsuccessful simplifications – why bother. [Read the directions!]

Wasting time trying to find derivatives and/or integrals in the calculator section.

Some people are still not writing coherent sentences for their justifications.

Some people do not appear to know the rules of $\ln x$ and/or e^x

Despite the fact that average value has appeared on numerous assessments, some people still do not know this formula.