

Math 250A Practice Problems

1. Evaluate:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{2+x} - \sqrt{2}}{x}$$

2. Let $f(x) = 2x^3$ and $g(x) = \csc x$. Find the derivative of:

a) $y = f(x)g(x)$

b) $y = \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$

c) $y = f(g(x))$

d) $y = g(f(x))$

3. Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$:

a) $y = \ln\left(\frac{\sqrt{5+x^2}}{x}\right)$

b) $y = e^{(x^2)}e^{4x}$

4. Find y' :

$$y = 4x \arctan x - \ln(1 + x^2)^2$$

5. Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ given:

$$(x^2 + y^2)^2 = 2x^2y$$

6. Find:

a) $\int_0^4 \frac{x}{(x^2+1)^3} dx$

b) $\int \frac{x}{(x^2+1)^3} dx$

7. Find $\int \frac{7e^{4x}}{3+6e^{4x}} dx$

8. Find $\int \frac{2x+5}{x^2+4x+13} dx$

9. Find $\int e^{2x} \csc e^{2x} \cot e^{2x} dx$

10. Find $\int (t^2 + 4t^3) \sinh(t^3 + 3t^4) dt$

11. Find $\int \arctan x dx$

12. Find $\int \sin^3 \theta d\theta$

13. Find $\int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{9x^2+1}}$

14. Find $\int \frac{2x}{(x+1)(x^2+4)} dx$

15. Evaluate:

a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan 2x}{\ln(1+x)}$

b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (1 - \frac{1}{x})^{2x}$

16. Evaluate $\int_0^{\infty} x e^{-x} dx$.

17. Consider each sequence below. Find the first three terms and find the sequence's limit (if it exists).

a) $a_n = (-2)^n$ for $1 \leq n < \infty$

b) $a_n = \frac{3n}{4n+1}$ for $2 \leq n < \infty$

18. Find the sum (if it exists).

a) $\sum_{n=5}^{\infty} \frac{2}{(n+1)(n+2)}$

b) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4(7^{n-1})}{8^n}$

19. The series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$ converges by the Integral Test.

a) Find S_4 .

b) Find an upper bound for R_4 .

c) Estimate $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$ using parts a) and b).

20. The series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2}$ converges by the Alternating Series Test.

Find N so that $|R_N| \leq 0.01$.

21. Decide if the series converges or diverges by using an appropriate test.

a) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{0.9}}$

b) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} ne^{(-n^2)}$

c) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n+1}{n+2}$

d) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1+|\cos n|}{n}$

e) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{\sqrt{n}}$

f) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{3n+4}{4n+3}\right)^n$

g) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^n}{n!}$

h) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{n}+3}{7n+2}$

22. a) Find the 4th degree Taylor polynomial of

$f(x) = \cos x$ centred at $c = \frac{\pi}{2}$.

b) Use it to approximate $\cos 1.5$.

c) Find an upper bound for $|R_4(1.5)|$.

d) Approximate $\cos 1.5$, with error.

23. Find the interval of convergence:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(x-4)^n}{n \cdot 6^n}$$

24. Find the first four nonzero terms of the Maclaurin series of $f(x) = \sqrt[3]{1+x^2}$.

25. Use three nonzero terms of an appropriate series to approximate:

$$\int_0^1 \cos x^2 dx$$

26. Eliminate the parameter:

$$x = 2 + 4 \cos t, \quad y = -1 + 3 \sin t$$

27. Find all points where the tangent line is horizontal or vertical:

$$x = e^{2t} - 2t, \quad y = 2 \ln(t+1) - t$$

28. The following curve is revolved about the x -axis to produce a solid. Find the surface area of the solid:

$$x = t + 1, \quad y = 2\sqrt{t}, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 4.$$

29. Graph $r = 2 + 3 \sin \theta$.

30. Find the area of the inner loop of $r = 1 + 2 \cos \theta$.

31. a) Find $\frac{d}{dt} t^3 [t^2, 2t]$ in two different ways.

b) Let $\vec{r}(t) = [8t, t^3 + 1]$. Find $\frac{d}{dt} \vec{r}(3t)$ in two different ways.

c) Let $\vec{r}(t) = [2t^2, 3t^3]$. Find $\vec{r}'(t) \cdot \vec{r}''(t)$.

d) Find $\vec{r}(t)$ if $\vec{r}'(t) = [4t^3, 2e^{2t}]$ and $\vec{r}(0) = [1, 3]$.

32. A projectile is launched with an initial height of 1 m, an initial velocity of 40 m/s, and an angle of inclination of 30° . Find its maximum height.

33. Let a and ω be positive constants. Given $\vec{r}(t) = [a \cos \omega t, a \sin \omega t, 0]$. Find the tangential and normal components of the acceleration.

34. Find the arc length of the curve described by:

$$\vec{r}(t) = [1 + 3t, \cos 2t, \sin 2t], \quad 0 \leq t \leq 4\pi.$$