## Maths I

Week 8: Chap. 6 – Diferentials, Composite functions, De l'Hôpital rule

## **1** Direct applications

**1.1.** Let  $f(x) = e^x$ ,  $g(x) = \sqrt{x}$ , and  $h(x) = \sin x$ . Determine the domain and the range of: a)  $f \circ g$  b)  $f \circ h$  c)  $h \circ f$  d)  $h \circ f \circ g$  e)  $f \circ h \circ f \circ g$ 

**1.2.** Compute the differential of the following functions with respect to their variable: a)  $x^5 + 2x^4 + 1$  b)  $-\sqrt{u}$  c)  $e^y$  d)  $\ln z$  e)  $\frac{1}{x}$  f)  $\sin u$  g)  $\frac{\sin x}{\cos x}$ .

**1.3.** Differentiate the following functions with respect to *x*:

a)  $(5x^{70} + 3x + 1)^2$  b)  $(5x^2 + 3x + 1)^{70}$  c)  $\cos(3x^5 - x)$  d)  $e^{-\frac{x}{2}}$ e)  $\sqrt{x-3}$  f)  $\frac{1}{\ln x}$  g)  $e^{\sin x}$  h)  $x + \sqrt{x^2 - 1}$ i)  $\ln(\sin x)$  j)  $\ln(x^2 + 1)$  k)  $\ln^4(\sqrt{1-x^2})$   $\ell$ )  $e^{-\cos(\sqrt{x^4 + x^2 + 1})}$ 

**1.4.** Find the limits:

a)  $\lim_{x \to \frac{\pi}{3}} \frac{\sin 3x}{1 - 2\cos x}$  b)  $\lim_{x \to \frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{e^{\sin x} - e^{\cos x}}{\sin x - \cos x}$  c)  $\lim_{x \to \frac{1}{2}} \frac{(2x - 1)^2}{e^{2x - 1} - 4x^2}$ d)  $\lim_{x \to +\infty} x \ln\left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)$  e)  $\lim_{x \to -\infty} x e^{-x^2}$  f)  $\lim_{x \to 1} \left(\frac{x}{x - 1} - \frac{1}{\ln x}\right)$ 

## 2 Problems and modelling

2.1. Three plastic companies have the following production costs, depending on the oil price p:

- Company 1:  $5p^3 + 2p + 1$
- Company 2:  $2p^{3/2} + p$
- Company 3:  $\sqrt{p} + \frac{1}{p}$ .

a) Determine for each company the average rate of change for the production cost when the oil changes price from  $1 \in \ell$  to  $4 \in \ell$ .

b) Determine for each company the instantaneous rate of change of the production cost when the oil price is  $1 \in /\ell$ .

c) Knowing that during a brief period of crisis  $t \in [0, 2]$  the oil price was  $p(t) = e^t$ , determine which company had a faster growing production cost at t = 1.

**2.2.** Consider the function  $f(x) = \begin{cases} e^x & \text{if } x < 0 \\ e^{-kx} & \text{if } x \ge 0 \end{cases}$ , with k > 0.

a) Find the domain of f and sketch its graph.

b) Discuss the continuity of f on its domain.

c) Discuss the differentiability of f on its domain.

d) Consider the function  $g(x) = \sqrt{x}$ . Discuss the continuity and differentiability of  $g \circ f$  and compute its derivative where possible.

**2.3.** Let  $h(x) = f(x \ln x)$  be differentiable on  $\mathbb{R}$ . Knowing that  $f(0) = \sqrt{3}$  and f'(0) = 2, find the equation of the tangent line to the graph of h at x = 1.

## 3 Additional exercises

**3.1.** Differentiate the following functions with respect to *x*:

a)  $\left(\frac{x-1}{x+2}\right)^2$ b)  $\left(\frac{x^2-1}{2x}\right)^3$ c)  $\sqrt{e^x+1}$ d)  $e^{-\sqrt{x}}$ e)  $e^{x^3}\ln(x^2)$ f)  $\frac{3}{\sqrt{x}}$ g)  $\sqrt[3]{\frac{3-x}{x-1}}$ h)  $e^{x^2}$ i)  $\ln(e^{3x}+x^2)$ j)  $e^x\ln x$ k)  $\sin(2x+1)$ l)  $xe^x$ m)  $\cos x + x\cos^2(x^2)$ n)  $\sin x\cos x$ o)  $\tan(x^2+1)$ p)  $\ln\frac{1+x}{1-x}$ 

**3.2.** Compute the limits:

a) 
$$\lim_{x \to 0^+} \frac{\ln(\sin x)}{\ln(\tan x)}$$
 b) 
$$\lim_{x \to 0^+} \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^{\sin x}$$

**3.3.** Find 
$$L = \lim_{x \to 1} \frac{2x^{\alpha} - 2\alpha(x-1) - 2}{3x^2 - 6x + 3}$$
:  
a)  $L = -\alpha - 3$  b)  $L = 0$  c)  $L = \frac{\alpha^2 - \alpha}{3}$  d)  $L$  does not exist

**3.4.** Find 
$$\lim_{x \to +\infty} \frac{\sin(5/x)}{2/x}$$
?  
a)  $\frac{5}{2}$  b) 0 c)  $-\frac{5}{2}$  d)  $\frac{2}{5}$ .

**3.5.** Let f and g be differentiable functions on  $\mathbb{R}$  such that h(x) = f[g(x)]. Knowing that f(-1) = 2, f'(-1) = 1/3, g(3) = -1, and g'(3) = -4, find the equation of the line tangent to the graph of h at x = 3:

a) 
$$y = -\frac{4}{3}x + 2$$
 b)  $y = -\frac{4}{3}x + 6$  c)  $y = -4x + 2$  d)  $y = -x + 5$ 

**3.6.** Book:**6.2:** 5, 7.