

Homework Set 4

DUE: OCT 10, 2018 (AT THE BEGINNING OF CLASS)

To be handed in*Please write your solutions to Problems 1 and 2 on only 1 sheet of paper.*

1. a) Show that the derivative of $f(x) = x^3$ is equal to $f'(x) = 3x^2$ **using the definition as a limit** of a difference quotient.

HINT: Remember that $a^3 - b^3 = (a - b)(a^2 + ab + b^2)$.

- b) Find the equation of the tangent line to $f(x) = x^3$ at the point $(1, 1)$.

2. Compute the following derivatives:

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

b) $\frac{d}{dx} \left(\sqrt{x} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{x}} + \sqrt{3} \right)$

c) $\frac{d}{d\theta} (\sin \theta + \cos \theta)$

d) $\frac{d}{dt} (e^t + 4t^2 + 3)$

e) $\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{1}{t^2} - 4 \sin t + t^{4/5} \right)$

3. Textbook (5th edition) Section 3.2, Exercises 5-14, 23-26, 41-44, 55- 56, 69-72, 111, 112.