# Worksheet 5: Applications of Derivatives/Max & Mins (3.7-4.3)

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## Rates of Change

1. The height (in meters) of a projectile shot vertically upward from a point 4 m above ground level with an initial velocity of 23.5 m/s is  $h = 4 + 23.5t - 4.9t^2$  after t seconds. (Round your answers to two decimal places.)

(a) Find the velocity after 2s.

(b) When does the projectile reach its maximum height? (*Recall*: A projectile reaches max height when its velocity is 0.)

(c) What is the maximum height?

(d) When does the projectile hit the ground?

(e) With what velocity does it hit the ground?

### Exponential Growth

2. The element Adamantium has a half-life of 3 years.

(a) Suppose that you have an initial 14 kg mound of Adamantium. Find a formula for the mass of the sample that remains after t years.

(b) Wolverine needs at least 8 kg of Adamantium to make new claws. How many years will he have to make them until the Adamantium shrinks to 8 kg? Round your answer to the nearest tenth.

3. Starbucks serves coffee at 180°F and room temperature in Starbucks is 75°F.

(a) If the coffee at time t = 0 (in minutes) has temperature  $180^{\circ}$ , write down a differential equation for its temperature T(t) at time t > 0. Your equation will have an unknown constant "k" that depends on the coffee.

(b) Find a formula for the temperature at time t.

(c) If the coffee is  $120^{\circ}$  after 10 minutes, how much additional time (from this moment) will it take for the temperature of the coffee to reach  $100^{\circ}$ ? Round your answer to the nearest tenth.

#### **Related Rates**

4. The radius r of a spherical balloon is expanding at the rate of 10 in/min.

(a) Determine the rate at which the volume V changes with respect to time, in  $in^3/min$ , at the instant when r = 4 inches. Round your answer to the nearest integer. Recall that  $V = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$ .

(b) Determine the rate at which the surface area S changes with respect to time, in  $in^2/min$ , where r = 4 inches. Round your answer to the nearest integer. Recall that  $S = 4\pi r^2$ .

(c) If the radius doubles, does dV/dt double? Does dS/dt double?

5. Water is flowing into an upside-down right circular cone with height 5 m and radius 2 m at the top.

(a) Suppose that the water fills the cone up to a height of h meters with a radius of r meters at its surface. Draw a diagram of this. Find a formula for the volume V of water in terms of only the variable h (no r in the formula). Recall that the volume of a right-circular cone with height h and radius r is  $\frac{1}{3}\pi r^2 h$ .

(b) Find dV/dt (again, your equation should not have r in it).

(c) If water is being pumped into the tank at a rate of  $3 \text{ m}^3/\text{min}$ , how quickly is the water level is rising when the water is 2 m deep. Round your answer to the nearest tenth.

6. A satellite is in orbit around earth. The distance from the center of the earth to the satellite is given by the equation

$$r = \frac{4995}{1 + .12\cos(\theta)}$$
 miles,

where  $\theta$  represents the angle the satellite forms with the "Perigee" of the earth.



Find the rate at which the distance is changing at the instant where  $\theta = \frac{2\pi}{3}$  radians and  $\frac{d\theta}{dt} = \frac{1}{60}$  radians/min.

#### Linear Approximations

- 7. (a) Find the linearization of  $f(x) = \sqrt[3]{x+5}$  at 3.
  - (b) Use the linear approximation obtained in part a to approximate  $\sqrt[3]{7}$ .

### Derivatives and Graphs

- 8. Let  $f(x) = x^4 8x^2$ . Use calculus to find
- (a) any vertical and horizontal asymptotes.
- (b) the critical numbers of f(x).
- (b) the open intervals where f(x) is increasing or decreasing.
- (c) the local maximum and minimum values of f.
- (d) the intervals of concavity and inflection points.
- (e) Sketch a plot of f(x) using the information you found in parts (a)-(d).

**Extra Credit:** Your car GPS uses a satellite in space in order to determine where you are and how to get you to your desired location on earth. As seen in the figure below (Figure 1), the GPS device measures the distance h between your car and the satellite. The GPS then uses this information to calculate L, the distance on earth between your car and destination. In other words, the GPS computes L as a function of h. However, there is usually some error  $\Delta h$  in the measurement of h. For example, the satellite may measure h = 42,000 kilometers, but the actual distance between your car and the satellite is 41,975 kilometers. Therefore, we need to know how accurate the calculation of L is. To determine this we need to find  $\frac{\Delta L}{\Delta h} \approx \frac{dL}{dh}$ .





Figure 1

Figure 2

To make things easier, assume the earth is flat (Figure 2). Let S = 38000 kilometers (vertical distance between the satellite and earth) and h = 42,000 kilometers (the measured distance between your car and the satellite).

(a) Use implicit differentiation with respect to h to calculate  $\frac{dL}{dh}$ .

(b) Suppose that the actual distance between your car and the satellite is 41,975 kilometers. Find  $\frac{\Delta L}{\Delta h}$  and compare this with  $\frac{dL}{dh}$ .