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**Math 10a**  
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Quiz #2

1. Below are the graphs of three functions and their derivatives, but they are all scrambled up. Identify each of the pairs of function/its derivative (and say which is the function and which is the derivative).

2. Compute the derivatives of the following functions:

(a)  $f(x) = x^2 \cos(x)$

$$f'(x) = 2x \cos(x) - x^2 \sin(x)$$

(b)  $f(x) = \ln(x + \sqrt{1 - x^2})$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{x + \sqrt{1 - x^2}} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{2}(1 - x^2)^{-1/2}(-2x) \right).$$

(c)  $f(x) = \frac{1 - x}{1 + x}$ .

$$-\frac{2}{(1 + x)^2}.$$

3. Use the limit definition of the derivative (i.e.,  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h)-f(x)}{h}$ ) to compute the following derivatives:

(a)  $f(x) = x^3$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x+h)^3 - x^3}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^3 + 3x^2h + 3xh^2 + h^3 - x^3}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 3x^2 + 3xh^2 + h^3 = 3x^2.$$

(b)  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ .

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{x+h} - \frac{1}{x}}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{x}{x(x+h)} - \frac{x+h}{x(x+h)}}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-1}{x(x+h)} = -\frac{1}{x^2}.$$

4. The equation of an ellipse centered at the origin is given by

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$$

where  $a$  and  $b$  are constants. In terms of  $x$  and  $y$ , write down the slope of the tangent line to a point  $(x, y)$  on the ellipse.

$$\frac{2x}{a^2} + \frac{2yy'}{b^2} = 0$$

$$\boxed{y' = -\frac{b^2x}{a^2y}}$$

5. What is the equation of the line tangent to the graph of  $y = x^2$  at the point  $(2, 4)$ ?

Slope is going to be 4 and the equation of a line with slope 4 passing through  $(2, 4)$  is

$$\boxed{y - 4 = 4(x - 2)}$$