

### Math 115 - Team Homework Assignment #4, Fall 2015

- **Due Date:** October 29 or 30 (Your instructor will tell you the exact date and time.)
  - **Note:** All problem, section, and page references are to the course textbook, which is the 6th edition of *Calculus: Single Variable* by Hughes-Hallett, Gleason, McCallum, et al.
  - Remember to follow the guidelines from the “Doing Team Homework” and “Team HW Tutorial” links in the sidebar of the course website.
  - Do not forget to rotate roles and include a reporter’s page each week.
  - Show ALL your work.
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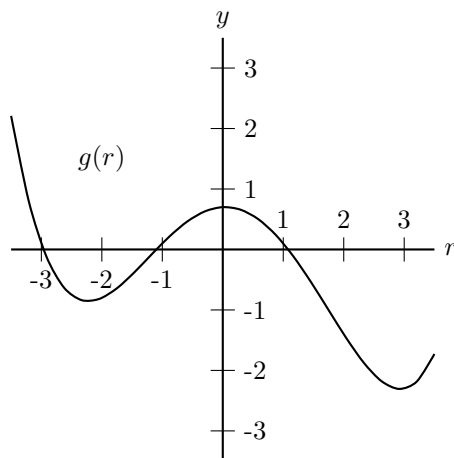
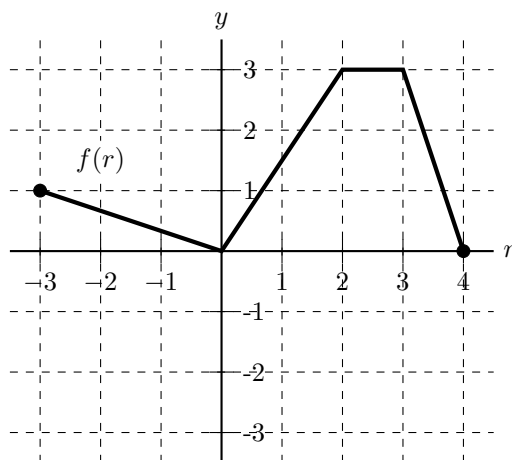
1. On a small planet in a galaxy far far away, there is a town called Srebmun Foyoj, where the company Sulu Clac Evoli (usually referred to as just “Clac”) has a monopoly on the supply of coal. This means that Clac gets to choose a quantity  $Q$  of coal to produce, and the price  $P$  at which the coal sells depends on this quantity. In other words,  $P = f(Q)$  for some function  $f$ . Suppose that Clac’s revenue  $R$  is given by  $R = Q \cdot P = Q \cdot f(Q)$ , where  $Q$  is measured in tons of coal and  $f(Q)$  is measured in dollars per ton. Some values of  $f$  and  $f'$  are shown in the table below.

$Q$	5	10	15	20	25	30	35
$f(Q)$	64.57	48.64	41.72	40.04	39.87	37.44	29.02
$f'(Q)$	-4.34	-2.16	-0.74	-0.06	-0.14	-0.96	-2.54

- (a) Find the value of  $\left. \frac{dR}{dQ} \right|_{Q=35}$  and give a practical interpretation of your answer in the context of this problem.
- (b) Evita Vired is an economic consultant on Srebmun. Clac goes to her with the values of  $f(35)$ ,  $f'(35)$ , and  $\left. \frac{dR}{dQ} \right|_{Q=35}$  and asks what they should do to increase revenue without changing production by more than a few tons. Should she advise the company to produce a few more tons, a few less tons, or the same number of tons? Explain your reasoning.
- (c) Estimate the value of  $\left. \frac{d^2R}{dQ^2} \right|_{Q=15}$ .
2. Consider the parabola given by the equation  $w(x) = x^2 - 5x + 9$ .
- (a) Find the equation of the tangent line to this parabola at the point  $(1, 5)$ .
- (b) Sketch a graph of the parabola and the tangent line from part (a).
- (c) Use your graph to predict how many lines tangent to this parabola pass through the origin. Draw a new graph of the parabola and illustrate your answer (i.e., draw in the tangent lines that you think pass through the origin).
- (d) Use calculus to find the equations of all the lines tangent to this parabola that pass through the origin. Compare your answers with your prediction in part (c).

*There is another problem on the next page.*

3. The graphs of two functions,  $f(r)$  and  $g(r)$ , are shown below.



The following questions concern the functions  $h$ ,  $p$ , and  $s$  defined as follows:

$$h(r) = \frac{f(r)}{f(2r)}, \quad p(r) = f(f(r)), \quad \text{and} \quad s(r) = e^{-g(r)}.$$

Assume that the first and second derivatives of  $g(r)$  are defined everywhere, i.e. that  $g$  and  $g'$  are differentiable on  $(-\infty, \infty)$ . Note that the graph of  $f(r)$  consists of line segments whose endpoints have integer (whole number) coordinates.

- For each of the following expressions, either find the exact value or explain why the expression is undefined.
  - $h'(1.6)$
  - $h'(1)$
  - $p'(-1)$
- On the interval  $[0.5, 2]$ , is  $s(r)$  always increasing, always decreasing, or neither? Explain your reasoning.
- On the interval  $[-0.5, 0.5]$ , is  $s(r)$  always concave up, always concave down, or neither? Explain your reasoning.