

Math 124 - Section 012
Quiz on 3.5 (with solutions)

Write clearly and **show all of your work**. Good luck.

1. Compute $\frac{d}{dy} \left(\sqrt{\frac{1-\cos^2 y}{1-\sin^2 y}} \right)$.

Solution: $\frac{d}{dy} \left(\sqrt{\frac{1-\cos^2 y}{1-\sin^2 y}} \right) = \frac{d}{dy} \left(\sqrt{\frac{\sin^2 y}{\cos^2 y}} \right) = \frac{d}{dy} \left(\sqrt{\tan^2 y} \right) = \frac{d}{dy} \left(\sqrt{\tan^2 y} \right)$

$$= \frac{d}{dy} (|\tan y|) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\cos^2 y} & \text{if } \tan y > 0 \\ -\frac{1}{\cos^2 y} & \text{if } \tan y < 0 \\ \text{undefined} & \text{if } \tan y = 0 \end{cases}$$

2. (10 points) Suppose an object of mass m is oscillating at the end of a spring, and that $T = A \sin\left(\left(\sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}\right)t\right)$ represents the distance of the object from its equilibrium position at time t . (A and k are constants.)

- a. Find a time at which the mass is moving fastest.

Solution: $\frac{dT}{dt} = A \cos\left(\sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}t\right) \cdot \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$ attains its maximum at $t = 0, \frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{k/m}}, \frac{4\pi}{\sqrt{k/m}},$ etc.

- b. Find a time at which the mass is accelerating fastest.

Solution: $\frac{d^2T}{dt^2} = -A \sin\left(\sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}t\right) \cdot \frac{k}{m}$ attains its maximum at $t = \frac{3}{4} \cdot \frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{k/m}}, t = \frac{3}{4} \cdot \frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{k/m}} + \frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{k/m}},$ etc.