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Solutions

- You have 15 minutes
- No calculators
- Show sufficient work

1. (2 points) What is the slope of the curve $y = 5 - 2e^x$ at its x -intercept? Simplify your answer.

To find x -intercept, set $y=0$

$$0 = 5 - 2e^x$$

$$2e^x = 5$$

$$e^x = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$x = \ln\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)$$

$$y' = -2e^x$$

slope at $x = \ln\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)$

$$15 \quad y'\left(\ln\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)\right) = -2e^{\ln\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)} = -2 \cdot \frac{5}{2} = \boxed{-5}$$

2. (2 points) Find the equation of the line which is tangent to the curve $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$ and parallel to the line $x - 10y = 40$.

$$x - 10y = 40 \Rightarrow y = \frac{1}{10}x - 4 \text{ which has slope } \frac{1}{10}.$$

Parallel lines have equal slopes, so we must find a tangent line with slope $\frac{1}{10}$.

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

$$\frac{1}{10} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \Rightarrow x = \cancel{25} 25$$

$$\text{Point: } (25, f(25)) = (25, 5)$$

SLP: $\frac{1}{10}$

$$\text{TANGENT LINE: } y - 5 = \frac{1}{10}(x - 25) \Rightarrow \boxed{y = \frac{1}{10}x + \frac{5}{2}}$$

3. (2 points each) Using Leibniz notation (i.e., $\frac{dy}{dx}$, $\frac{dP}{dt}$, etc.), find derivatives for each of the following functions.

(a) $\alpha = 5e^t + 2 \csc(t) - 6 \tan(t) + \sin(2 \arctan(8/15))$

constant with derivative 0

$$\frac{d\alpha}{dt} = 5e^t - 2 \csc(t) \cot(t) - 6 \sec^2(t)$$

(b) $w = \left(\frac{x\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt[3]{x^4}}\right)^{24}$

(simplify your answer)

$$w = \left(\frac{x^{3/2}}{x^{4/3}}\right)^{24}$$

$$w = \frac{(x^{3/2})^{24}}{(x^{4/3})^{24}}$$

$$w = \frac{x^{36}}{x^{32}}$$

$$w = x^4$$

$$\frac{dw}{dx} = 4x^3$$

(c) $H = \frac{2 + 5 \cos(r)}{r^8 + 42}$

$$\frac{dH}{dr} = \frac{\frac{d}{dr}(2 + 5 \cos(r)) \cdot (r^8 + 42) - (2 + 5 \cos(r)) \cdot \frac{d}{dr}(r^8 + 42)}{(r^8 + 42)^2}$$

$$\frac{dH}{dr} = \frac{-5 \sin(r) \cdot (r^8 + 42) - (2 + 5 \cos(r)) \cdot 8r^7}{(r^8 + 42)^2}$$