

Quiz 2- MAC 2311, F'14 NAME: Answer & Grading Key Panther ID: _____

1. (6 pts) Compute the derivative of each of the following functions:

(a) $f(x) = 5x^4 - 2\sqrt{x} + \pi^2 = 5x^4 - 2x^{\frac{1}{2}} + \pi^2$

$$f'(x) = 5 \cdot 4x^3 - 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2}x^{-\frac{1}{2}} + 0$$

$$\boxed{f'(x) = 20x^3 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}}$$

(b) $g(x) = \sec x \tan x$

(3 pts)

1.5 pts
(for prod. rule)

$$g'(x) = (\sec x)' \tan x + (\sec x) \cdot (\tan x)'$$

$$g'(x) = \sec x \cdot \tan x \cdot \tan x + \sec x \cdot \sec^2 x$$

$$g'(x) = \sec x \cdot \tan^2 x + \sec^3 x \quad (1.5 \text{ pts})$$

2. (5 pts) Find the equation of the tangent line to the graph of $f(x) = \frac{x}{x^2-2}$ at $x = 2$.

$$f(2) = \frac{2}{2^2-2} = \frac{2}{2} = 1 \quad \text{so Point: } (2, 1) \quad (1 \text{ pt})$$

$$f'(x) = \left(\frac{x}{x^2-2} \right)' = \frac{1 \cdot (x^2-2) - x \cdot 2x}{(x^2-2)^2} = \frac{x^2-2-2x^2}{(x^2-2)^2} = \frac{-x^2-2}{(x^2-2)^2}$$

Q. Rule
(1 pt)
(1 pt)

$$m_{\tan} = f'(2) = \frac{-2^2-2}{(2^2-2)^2} = \frac{-6}{4} = -\frac{3}{2}$$

(1 pt)

Thus, the tangent line is

$$\boxed{y-1 = -\frac{3}{2}(x-2)} \quad (1 \text{ pt})$$