

## Derivatives and Rates of Change- HW problems

1. A particle is moving in a line and its position is given by  $s(t) = \frac{1}{3}t^3 - 3t^2 + 8t$  for  $t \geq 0$ .
  - a. Find the velocity and acceleration functions.
  - b. What is its acceleration at  $t = 4$ ?
  - c. When is the particle at rest?
  - d. When is the particle moving in the positive direction? What about the negative direction?
  - e. Find the total distance travelled by the particle in the first 6 seconds.
  
2. A ball is thrown up in the air at 96 ft/sec from the edge of the top of a building 112 ft above the ground. The position of the ball above the ground (in feet) at  $t$  sec is given by:  $s(t) = -16t^2 + 96t + 112$ .
  - a. Determine the velocity of the ball at time  $t$ .
  - b. When does the ball reach its highest point?
  - c. What is the ball's highest point above the ground?
  - d. When does the ball hit the ground?
  - e. With what velocity does the ball hit the ground?
  - f. What is the acceleration when the ball hits the ground?
  - g. How far has the ball travelled when it hit the ground?

3. At time  $t = 0$  the breaks of a car are applied and the position of a car is given by  $s(t) = -8.25t^2 + 66$ .

*a.* Find the velocity and acceleration at  $t = 0$ .

*b.* When does the car stop?

*c.* How far did the car travel between the time the brakes were applied and the time it stopped?

4. Suppose the cost (in dollars) of producing  $x$  items is  $C(x) = -.1x^2 + 200x + 500$  for  $0 \leq x \leq 200$ .

*a.* Determine the average cost function and the marginal cost function.

*b.* Determine the average cost of producing 50 items. 100 Items.

*c.* Determine the marginal cost after producing 50 items. 100 items.