



Math 151  
Week-In-Review 5  
3.1 and 3.2  
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Power Rule

$$\frac{d}{dx}[x^n] = n x^{n-1}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[x^{100}] = 100x^{99}$$

Problem Statements

1. If  $f(x) = x^3$  show  $f'(x) = 3x^2$ .

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x+h)^3 - x^3}{h}$$

$$(x+h)^2 = x^2 + 2xh + h^2$$

$$(x+h)^3 = (x+h)(x^2 + 2xh + h^2)$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cancel{x^3} + 3x^2h + 3xh^2 + h^3 - \cancel{x^3}}{h}$$

$$\underline{x^3 + 2x^2h + xh^2} + \underline{hx^2 + 2h^2 + h^3}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cancel{h}(3x^2 + 3xh + h^2)}{\cancel{h}}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 3x^2 + 3xh + h^2 = 3x^2 + 0 + 0 = \boxed{3x^2}$$

2. If  $g(x) = c \cdot f(x)$  show  $g'(x) = c \cdot f'(x)$ .

$$\frac{d}{dx}[5 \cdot \underline{x^3}] = 5 \cdot 3x^2 = 15x^2$$

$$g'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(x+h) - g(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{c \cdot f(x+h) - c \cdot f(x)}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} c \cdot \left( \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \right) = c \cdot \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$$

$$= \boxed{c \cdot f'(x)}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[e^x] = e^x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[x^1] = 1 \cdot x^0 = 1$$

$$y = -5$$

3. Calculate  $f'(x)$  for the function  $f(x) = x^{100} - 15x^5 + 6x - 5$ .

$$f'(x) = 100x^{99} - 15 \cdot 5x^4 + 6(1) - 0$$

$$f'(x) = 100x^{99} - 75x^4 + 6$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[y]$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{dy}{dx} = y'$$

$$\frac{d^2}{dx^2}[y]$$

$$f''(x) = \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = y''$$

4. Find  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$  if  $y = 5e^x - x^{7/8}$ .

$$\frac{7}{8} - \frac{8}{8} = -\frac{1}{8}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 5e^x - \frac{7}{8}x^{-1/8}$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 5e^x - \frac{7}{8} \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{8}\right) x^{-9/8}$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 5e^x + \frac{7}{64}x^{-9/8}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[e^x] = e^x \cdot \ln(e)$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[5^x] = 5^x \cdot \ln(5)$$



5. Determine the slope of the tangent line to the curve  $g(x) = 3\sqrt{x} - \frac{1}{x^2} + 16$  when  $x = 1$ .

Derivative

$$g'(1)$$

$$g(x) = 3x^{1/2} - x^{-2} + 16$$

Start with  $g'(x) = 3 \cdot \frac{1}{2} x^{-1/2} - (-2)x^{-3} + 0$

$$g'(x) = \frac{3}{2} x^{-1/2} + 2x^{-3}$$

$$g'(x) = \frac{3}{2\sqrt{x}} + \frac{2}{x^3}$$

$$g'(1) = \frac{3}{2\sqrt{(1)}} + \frac{2}{(1)^3} = \frac{3}{2} + 2 = \boxed{\frac{7}{2}}$$

6. Find the equation of the tangent line to the curve  $f(x) = x^{3/2}$  that passes through the point  $(0, -4)$ .

$$f'(x) = \frac{3}{2} x^{1/2}$$

Both are  
Slope

$$\sqrt{x} = 2$$

$$x = 4$$

$$m = \frac{x^{3/2} - (-4)}{x - 0} = \frac{x^{3/2} + 4}{x}$$

$$f'(4) = \frac{3}{2} (4)^{1/2} = \frac{3}{2} (2) = 3$$

$$y = 3x - 4$$

$\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x}$

$$\frac{3}{2} x^{1/2} = \frac{x^{3/2} + 4}{x}$$

$$\frac{3}{2} x^{3/2} = x^{3/2} + 4$$

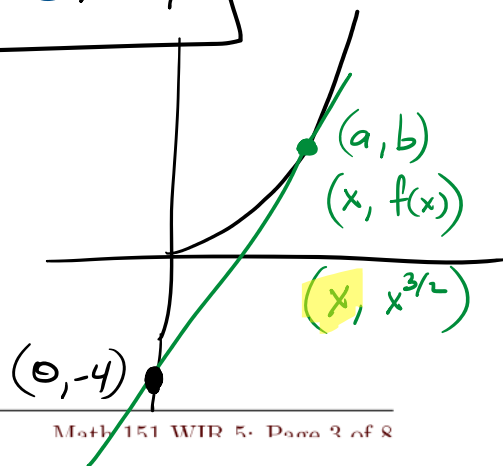
$-x^{3/2}$        $-x^{3/2}$

$$x^{3/2} = 8$$

$$\sqrt{x^3} = 8$$

$$\frac{1}{2} x^{3/2} = 4$$

$$(\sqrt{x})^3 = 8$$





7. Evaluate  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^{1000} - 1}{x - 1}$ .  $\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x}$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^2 - 1}{x - 1}$$

$$f(x) = x^{1000}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{(x+1)\cancel{(x-1)}}{\cancel{(x-1)}}$$

$$a = 1$$

Slope of tangent line  
to  $f(x) = x^{1000}$  when  $a = 1$ .

$$f'(x) = 1000x^{999}$$

$$f'(1) = 1000(1)^{999} = \boxed{1000}$$

$$\frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}$$

$$f(1) = 1^{1000} = 1$$

$$\frac{f(x) - \textcircled{f(a)}}{x - a} \checkmark$$

~~$f'(x) = e^x$ ?~~

8. Consider the function  $f(x) = (x-2)e^x$ .

(a) Find  $f'(x)$ .

$$f'(x) = (x-2)e^x + e^x(1)$$

$$= e^x(x-2+1) = \underbrace{(x-1)}_{1^{st}} \underbrace{e^x}_{2^{nd}}$$

Product Rule:  $\frac{d}{dx} [f(x) \cdot g(x)]$

$$= \underbrace{f(x)}_{1^{st}} \cdot \underbrace{g'(x)}_{(2^{nd})'} + \underbrace{g(x)}_{2^{nd}} \cdot \underbrace{f'(x)}_{(1^{st})'}$$

(b) Find  $f''(x)$ .

$$f''(x) = \underbrace{(x-1)}_{1^{st}} \underbrace{e^x}_{2^{nd}} + \underbrace{e^x}_{1^{st}} (1) = (x-1+1)e^x = \underbrace{x}_{1^{st}} \underbrace{e^x}_{2^{nd}}$$

(c) Find  $f'''(x)$ .

$$f'''(x) = x \cdot \underbrace{e^x}_{1^{st}} + \underbrace{e^x}_{2^{nd}} (1) = (x+1)e^x$$

(d) Find a formula for the  $n^{\text{th}}$  derivative of the function,  $f^{(n)}(x)$ .

$$f^{(n)}(x) = (x-2+n)e^x$$

$n$	$f^{(n)}(x)$
0	$(x-2)e^x$
1	$(x-1)e^x$
2	$x e^x$
3	$(x+1)e^x$

Quotient Rule:

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$$\frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$$

Bottom

$$\frac{\text{Bot } (Top)' - Top (Bot)'}{g(x) \cdot f(x) - f(x) \cdot g'(x)}$$

$$\frac{[g(x)]^2}{(Bot)^2}$$

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$$\text{Point: } f(0) = \frac{4e^0 - 2(0)^7}{0^2 + 1} = \frac{4}{1} = 4 \quad (0, 4)$$

Slope:

$$f'(x) = \frac{(x^2 + 1)[4e^x - 14x^6] - (4e^x - 2x^7)(2x)}{(x^2 + 1)^2}$$

$$f'(0) = \frac{(0^2 + 1)[4e^0 - 14(0)] - [4e^0 - 2(0)] \cdot 2(0)}{(0^2 + 1)^2}$$

$$= \frac{4}{1} = 4 \quad \text{Slope: } m = 4$$

$$y - 4 = 4(x - 0)$$

$$y = 4x + 4$$





10. Suppose  $p(x) = f(x)g(x)$  and  $q(x) = \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$ , where  $f$  and  $g$  are differentiable functions. Use

the following table to evaluate the derivatives below.

$x$	$f(x)$	$g(x)$	$f'(x)$	$g'(x)$
1	3	-4	6	10
2	4	-7	5	6

(a)  $p'(1)$

Start with  $p'(x) = f(x) \cdot g'(x) + g(x) \cdot f'(x)$   
 $1^{st} \quad (2^{nd})' + 2^{nd} \quad (1^{st})'$

$$p'(1) = f(1) \cdot g'(1) + g(1) \cdot f'(1)$$

$$= 3 \cdot 10 + (-4) \cdot (6)$$

$$= 30 + (-24) = \boxed{6}$$

(b)  $q'(2)$

$$q'(x) = \frac{g(x) f'(x) - f(x) g'(x)}{[g(x)]^2}$$

$q(x) = \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$   
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$(Bot)^2$

$$q'(2) = \frac{g(2) f'(2) - f(2) g'(2)}{[g(2)]^2} = \frac{(-7)(5) - (4)(6)}{(-7)^2}$$

$$= \frac{-35 - 24}{49} = \boxed{\frac{-59}{49}}$$



$$\sqrt{x} = x^{1/2}$$

11. If  $f(x)$  is a differentiable function, find the derivative of  $y = \frac{1 + x \cdot f(x)}{\sqrt{x}}$ .

$$y' = \frac{\overset{\text{Bot}}{(\sqrt{x})} \cdot \left[ \overset{\text{Top}}{0} + \underbrace{x \cdot f'(x) + f(x) \cdot (1)}_{\text{Product Rule}} \right] - \overset{\text{Top}}{(1 + x \cdot f(x))} \cdot \overset{\text{Bot}}{\left( \frac{1}{2} x^{-1/2} \right)}}{(\sqrt{x})^2}$$

$(\text{Bot})^2$

12. If  $g(x)$  is a differentiable function, find the derivative of  $y = \underbrace{(x \cdot e^x)}_{1^{\text{st}}} \cdot \underbrace{g(x)}_{2^{\text{nd}}}$ .

$$y' = \underbrace{(x \cdot e^x)}_{1^{\text{st}}} \cdot \underbrace{g'(x)}_{(2^{\text{nd}})'} + \underbrace{g(x)}_{2^{\text{nd}}} \cdot \left[ \underbrace{x \cdot e^x}_{(1^{\text{st}})'} + e^x \cdot (1) \right]$$

Product Rule

$$y' = x e^x \cdot g'(x) + x \cdot e^x \cdot g(x) + (1) e^x g(x)$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} [10 \cdot x^2] = 10 \cdot (2x) + \cancel{x^2 \cdot (0)}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} [10x^2 \cdot e^x] = 10x^2 \cdot e^x + e^x \cdot (20x)$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[ \frac{x^2}{5} \right] = \frac{d}{dx} \left[ \frac{1}{5} \cdot x^2 \right]$$