



SESSION 4: SECTIONS 2-3 AND 2-4

Introductory Derivative Rules

Constant:	$\frac{d}{dx}(k) = 0$	where k is any real number
Power:	$\frac{d}{dx}(x^n) = nx^{n-1}$	where n is any real number
Special Case:	$\frac{d}{dx}(x) = 1$	(because $x = x^1$)
Exponential:	$\frac{d}{dx}(b^x) = b^x \ln(b)$	where b is any positive real number
Special Case:	$\frac{d}{dx}(e^x) = e^x$	(because $\ln(e) = 1$)
Logarithm:	$\frac{d}{dx}(\log_b(x)) = \frac{1}{x \ln(b)}$	where b is any positive real number
Special Case:	$\frac{d}{dx}(\ln(x)) = \frac{1}{x}$	(because $\ln(e) = 1$)
Sum/Difference:	$\frac{d}{dx}(f(x) \pm g(x)) = \frac{d}{dx}(f(x)) \pm \frac{d}{dx}(g(x))$	where f and g are differentiable functions
Constant Multiple:	$\frac{d}{dx}(k \cdot f(x)) = k \left(\frac{d}{dx}(f(x)) \right)$	where k is any real number and f is a differentiable function

1. Find $f'(t)$ given $f(t) = 2t^2 - 3t + 1$.

$$\begin{aligned} f'(t) &= 2 \frac{d}{dt}(t^2) - 3 \frac{d}{dt}(t) + \frac{d}{dt}(1) \\ &= 2(2t) - 3(1) + 0 \\ &= \boxed{4t - 3} \end{aligned}$$

2. Given $y = \frac{5}{9t^6} + 6\sqrt[3]{t^2}$, find $\frac{dy}{dt}$.

$$\begin{aligned} y &= \frac{5}{9} t^{-6} + 6 t^{2/3} \\ \frac{dy}{dt} &= \frac{5}{9} \frac{d}{dt}(t^{-6}) + 6 \frac{d}{dt}(t^{2/3}) \\ &= \frac{5}{9} (-6 t^{-7}) + 6 \left(\frac{2}{3} t^{-1/3} \right) \\ &= -\frac{30}{9} t^{-7} + \frac{12}{3} t^{-1/3} = \boxed{-\frac{10}{3} t^{-7} + 4 t^{-1/3}} \end{aligned}$$

3. Find $\frac{d}{dx} \left(\pi x^{2\pi} + \frac{5x^8}{\sqrt{x}} + \frac{3e}{\sqrt[6]{x^5}} \right)$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{d}{dx} (\pi x^{2\pi}) + \frac{d}{dx} (5x^8 \cdot x^{-1/2}) + \frac{d}{dx} (3e x^{-5/6}) \\
 &= \pi \frac{d}{dx} (x^{2\pi}) + 5 \frac{d}{dx} (x^{15/2}) + 3e \frac{d}{dx} (x^{-5/6}) \\
 &= \pi (2\pi x^{2\pi-1}) + 5 \left(\frac{15}{2} x^{13/2} \right) + 3e \left(-\frac{5}{6} x^{-11/6} \right) \\
 &= 2\pi^2 x^{2\pi-1} + \frac{75}{2} x^{13/2} - \frac{15e}{6} x^{-11/6}
 \end{aligned}$$

4. Given $f(x) = 3e^x + 4\ln(x) - \frac{1}{2}\log_7(x)$, find $f'(x)$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 f'(x) &= 3 \frac{d}{dx} (e^x) + 4 \frac{d}{dx} (\ln x) - \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dx} (\log_7(x)) \\
 &= 3e^x \underbrace{\ln e}_{=1} + 4 \left(\frac{1}{x} \underbrace{\ln e}_{=1} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{x \ln 7} \right) \\
 &= 3e^x + \frac{4}{x} - \frac{1}{2x \ln 7}
 \end{aligned}$$

5. Find $\frac{dp}{dx}$ given $p = 10^x + x^7 + \underbrace{\log(x^5)}_{5 \log x} + 10e^x$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{dp}{dx} &= \frac{d}{dx} (10^x) + \frac{d}{dx} (x^7) + 5 \frac{d}{dx} (\log x) + 10 \frac{d}{dx} (e^x) \\
 &= 10^x \ln 10 + 7x^6 + 5 \left(\frac{1}{x \ln 10} \right) + 10e^x \underbrace{\ln e}_{=1} \\
 &= 10^x \ln 10 + 7x^6 + \frac{5}{x \ln 10} + 10e^x
 \end{aligned}$$

6. Find $f'(x)$ given $f(x) = \ln\left(\frac{x^2}{5}\right) + \log(2x)$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x) &= \ln(x^2) - \ln 5 + \log 2 + \log x \\
 &= 2 \ln(x) - \ln 5 + \log 2 + \log x \\
 f'(x) &= 2 \frac{d}{dx}(\ln x) - \frac{d}{dx}(\ln 5) + \frac{d}{dx}(\log 2) + \frac{d}{dx}(\log x) \\
 &= 2\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) - 0 + 0 + \frac{1}{x \ln 10} \\
 &= \boxed{\frac{2}{x} + \frac{1}{x \ln 10}}
 \end{aligned}$$

7. If $h(x) = -4f(x) + 5g(x) - 9$, $f'(5) = 8$, and $g'(5) = 4$, find $h'(5)$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 h'(x) &= -4f'(x) + 5g'(x) - 0 \\
 h'(5) &= -4f'(5) + 5g'(5) - 0 \\
 &= -4(8) + 5(4) \\
 &= -32 + 20 \\
 &= \boxed{-12}
 \end{aligned}$$

8. Given $f(x)$ is a polynomial function such that $f(2) = 17$ and $f'(x) = 12x^3 - 12x$, find the equation of the tangent line at $x = 2$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 f'(2) &= 12(2)^3 - 12(2) \\
 &= 12(8) - 24 \\
 &= 96 - 24 \\
 &= 72 \leftarrow \text{slope of tangent}
 \end{aligned}$$

goes through
(2, 17)

$$\begin{aligned}
 y - y_1 &= m(x - x_1) \\
 y - 17 &= 72(x - 2) \\
 y &= 72x - 144 + 17 \\
 &= 72x - 127
 \end{aligned}$$

Estimating the Cost/Revenue/Profit of a Single Item Using Marginal Analysis

- The approximate cost of making the n^{th} item is $C'(n-1)$.
- The approximate revenue from selling the n^{th} item is $R'(n-1)$.
- The approximate profit from making and selling the n^{th} item is $P'(n-1)$.

The Exact Cost/Revenue/Profit of a Single Item

- The exact cost of making the n^{th} item is $C(n) - C(n-1)$.
- The exact revenue from selling the n^{th} item is $R(n) - R(n-1)$.
- The exact profit from making and selling the n^{th} item is $P(n) - P(n-1)$.

9. The total profit (in dollars) from the sale of x skateboards is $P(x) = 30x - 0.3x^2 - 250$ for $0 \leq x \leq 100$.

(a) Find the exact profit from the sale of the 26^{th} skateboard.

$$P(26) - P(25)$$

$$P(26) = 327.2$$

$$P(26) - P(25) = 327.2 - 312.5$$

$$= 14.7$$

$$P(25) = 312.5$$

The company will profit
by \$14.70 when the 26^{th}
skateboard is sold.

(b) Find the marginal profit function and then use it to approximate the profit from the sale of the 26^{th} skateboard.

$$P'(x)$$

$$P'(25)$$

$$P'(x) = 30 - .6x$$

$$P'(25) = 30 - .6(25) = 15$$

The approximate profit from
selling the 26^{th} skateboard
is \$15.

For the rules below, assume f and g are differentiable functions.

The Product Rule:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dx}(f(x) \cdot g(x)) &= f(x) \left(\frac{d}{dx}(g(x)) \right) + g(x) \left(\frac{d}{dx}(f(x)) \right) \\ &= f(x) \cdot g'(x) + g(x) \cdot f'(x)\end{aligned}$$

The Quotient Rule

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \right) &= \frac{g(x) \left(\frac{d}{dx}(f(x)) \right) - f(x) \left(\frac{d}{dx}(g(x)) \right)}{(g(x))^2} \\ &= \frac{g(x) \cdot f'(x) - f(x) \cdot g'(x)}{(g(x))^2}\end{aligned}$$

10. Find $f'(x)$ for the following functions. You do not need to simplify the functions after applying the derivative rules.

(a) $f(x) = x^2 \ln(x)$

$$\begin{aligned}f'(x) &= \frac{d}{dx}(x^2) \cdot \ln(x) + x^2 \frac{d}{dx}(\ln x) \\ &= 2x \ln(x) + x^2 \left(\frac{1}{x} \ln e \right) \\ &= 2x \ln(x) + x\end{aligned}$$

(b) $f(x) = \frac{4e^x}{7x^3 + 2x^2 + 5x}$

$$\begin{aligned}f'(x) &= \frac{(7x^3 + 2x^2 + 5x) \frac{d}{dx}(4e^x) - 4e^x \frac{d}{dx}(7x^3 + 2x^2 + 5x)}{(7x^3 + 2x^2 + 5x)^2} \\ &= \frac{(7x^3 + 2x^2 + 5x)(4e^x \ln e) - 4e^x(21x^2 + 4x + 5)}{(7x^3 + 2x^2 + 5x)^2} \\ &= \frac{(7x^3 + 2x^2 + 5x)(4e^x) - 4e^x(21x^2 + 4x + 5)}{(7x^3 + 2x^2 + 5x)^2}\end{aligned}$$

$$(c) f(x) = \frac{\log_3(x^6)}{e^2 + \sqrt[5]{x^3}} = \frac{6 \log_3 x}{e^2 + x^{3/5}}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{(e^2 + x^{3/5}) \frac{d}{dx} (6 \log_3 x) - (6 \log_3 x) \frac{d}{dx} (e^2 + x^{3/5})}{(e^2 + x^{3/5})^2}$$

$$= \frac{(e^2 + x^{3/5}) \left(6 \cdot \frac{1}{x \ln 3}\right) - 6 \log_3 x \left(\frac{3}{5} x^{-2/5}\right)}{(e^2 + x^{3/5})^2}$$

$$(d) f(x) = \frac{5^x}{\sqrt[3]{x^2}} = \frac{5^x}{x^{2/3}} = 5^x \cdot x^{-2/3}$$

work using quotient rule

$$f'(x) = \frac{x^{2/3} \frac{d}{dx} (5^x) - 5^x \frac{d}{dx} (x^{2/3})}{(x^{2/3})^2}$$

$$= \frac{x^{2/3} \cdot 5^x \cdot \ln 5 - 5^x \left(\frac{2}{3} x^{-1/3}\right)}{x^{4/3}}$$

If we simplify we get

$$\frac{5^x x^{-1/3} \left(x \ln 5 - \frac{2}{3}\right)}{x^{4/3}} \rightarrow x^{4/3}$$

$$= \frac{5^x \left(x \ln 5 - \frac{2}{3}\right)}{x^{5/3}}$$

use product rule

$$f'(x) = 5^x \frac{d}{dx} (x^{-2/3}) + \frac{d}{dx} (5^x) (x^{-2/3})$$

$$= 5^x \left(-\frac{2}{3} x^{-5/3}\right) + 5^x \ln 5 (x^{-2/3})$$

If we simplify

$$x^{-5/3} 5^x \left(-\frac{2}{3} + x \ln 5\right)$$

$$= \frac{5^x \left(-\frac{2}{3} + x \ln 5\right)}{x^{5/3}}$$

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$$f'(x) = 0$$

11. Find the x -value(s) where the graph of $f(x) = e^x(x^2 - 2x - 2)$ has a horizontal tangent line.

(Note: In the interest of time, I'll provide this: $f'(x) = e^x(x^2 - 4)$. But you should use derivative rules to ensure you could find this derivative correctly. If you get stuck come to a math learning center help session or visit your instructor's office hours.)

$$0 = e^x(x^2 - 4)$$

$$\cancel{e^x} \neq 0$$

This is never zero

$$x^2 - 4 = 0$$

$$\sqrt{x^2} = \sqrt{4}$$

$$x = \pm 2$$

To find derivative use product rule:

$$f'(x) = e^x \frac{d}{dx}(x^2 - 2x - 2) + \frac{d}{dx}(e^x)(x^2 - 2x - 2)$$

$$= e^x(2x - 2) + e^x(x^2 - 2x - 2)$$

$$= e^x(\cancel{2x} - 2 + x^2 - \cancel{2x} - 2)$$

$$= e^x(x^2 - 4)$$

$$f'(x) = -10$$

12. Find the x -value(s) where $f(x) = \frac{-20x}{x+2}$ has an instantaneous rate of change of -10 .

$$f'(x) = \frac{(x+2)\frac{d}{dx}(-20x) - (-20x)\frac{d}{dx}(x+2)}{(x+2)^2}$$

$$= \frac{(x+2)(-20) - (-20x)(1)}{(x+2)^2}$$

$$= \frac{-20x - 40 + 20x}{(x+2)^2}$$

$$-10 = \frac{-40}{(x+2)^2}$$

$$(x+2)^2 = 4$$

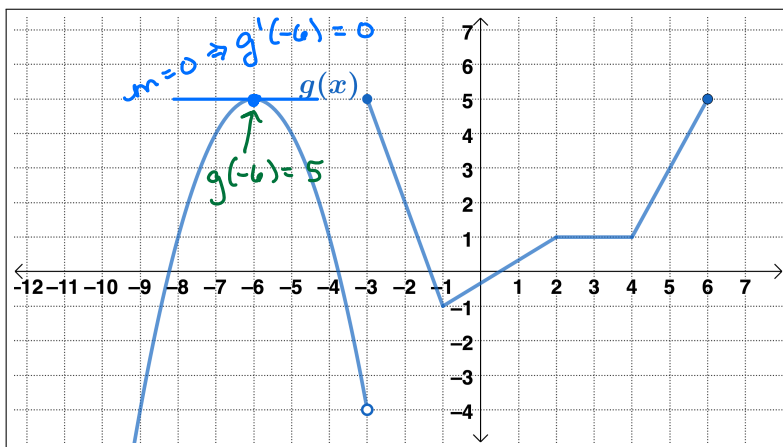
$$x+2 = 2$$

$$\boxed{x = 0}$$

$$x+2 = -2$$

$$\boxed{x = -4}$$

13. Use the table and graph below to find each of the following.



x	$f(x)$	$f'(x)$
-6	4	10
-5	2	9
-4	0	10
-3	-4	6
-2	9	0
-1	3	-1
0	9	-4
1	8	0
2	7	4
3	3	5
4	1	7
5	-1	3

(a) $h'(-6)$ if $h(x) = x^2 g(x)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 h'(x) &= x^2 \frac{d}{dx}(g(x)) + \frac{d}{dx}(x^2) g(x) \\
 &= x^2 \cdot g'(x) + 2x g(x) \\
 h'(-6) &= (-6)^2 \cdot \underbrace{g'(-6)}_0 + 2(-6) \underbrace{g(-6)}_5 \\
 &= 36(0) - 12(5) \\
 &= \boxed{-60}
 \end{aligned}$$

(b) $p'(0)$ if $p(x) = \frac{e^x g(x)}{f(x)}$.

(Hint: The line segment on the interval $(-1, 2)$ contains the points $(-1, -1)$ and $(2, 1)$. The line that contains these two points is $y = \frac{2}{3}x - \frac{1}{3}$. Be sure you can calculate the equation of this line on your own and use this to help solve this problem.)

$$\begin{aligned}
 p'(x) &= \frac{f(x) \frac{d}{dx}(e^x g(x)) - e^x g(x) \frac{d}{dx}(f(x))}{[f(x)]^2} \\
 &= \frac{f(x) \left(\overbrace{e^x g'(x) + e^x g(x)}^{\text{product rule}} \right) - e^x g(x) f'(x)}{[f(x)]^2} \\
 p'(0) &= \frac{f(0) (e^0 g'(0) + e^0 g(0)) - e^0 g(0) f'(0)}{[f(0)]^2} = \frac{9 \left(1 \cdot \frac{2}{3} + 1 \cdot -\frac{1}{3} \right) - \left(-\frac{1}{3} \right) (-4)}{9^2} \\
 &= \frac{9 \left(\frac{1}{3} \right) - \frac{4}{3}}{81} \\
 &= \frac{\frac{5}{3}}{81} \\
 &= \boxed{\frac{5}{243}}
 \end{aligned}$$