

1. Find the following derivatives for the function $f(x) = (x^2 - 2x)^3$.

(a) $f'(x)$

Solution

Using chain rule, we get $f'(x) = 3(x^2 - 2x)^2(2x - 2)$.

(b) $f''(x)$

Solution

Using product rule and then chain rule,

$$f'(x) = 3(x^2 - 2x)^2 \cdot 2 + 3(2)(x^2 - 2x)(2x - 2)(2x - 2)$$

Simplifying, we have

$$f'(x) = 6(x^2 - 2x)^2 + 6(x^2 - 2x)(2x - 2)^2$$

(c) $f'(0)$

Solution

$$f'(0) = 3(0)^2(-2) = 0$$

(d) $f''(0)$

Solution

$$f''(0) = 3 \cdot 0^2 + 6(0)(-2)^2 = 0$$

2. Find the following derivatives for the function $f(x) = 3 \sin(x)$

(a) $f'(x)$

Solution

$$f'(x) = 3 \cos(x)$$

(b) $f''(x)$

Solution

$$f''(x) = -3 \sin(x)$$

(c) $f^{(11)}(x)$

SolutionNotice that $f^{(11)}(x) = f^{(3)}(x) = -3 \cos(x)$

(d) $f^{(20)}(x)$

Solution

$$f^{(20)}(x) = f(x) = 3 \sin(x)$$

3. Find the derivatives of the following functions.

(a) $f(x) = \sqrt{\cos(2x) + \sin(2x)}$

SolutionLet's write f as the composition of 3 functions.

$$f(x) = g(h(k(x)))$$

$$g(x) = \sqrt{x}$$

$$h(x) = \cos(x) + \sin(x)$$

$$k(x) = 2x$$

By chain rule, we know that

$$\begin{aligned}
 f'(x) &= g'(h(k(x))) \cdot h'(k(x)) \cdot k'(x) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\cos(2x) + \sin(2x)}} \cdot (-\sin(2x) + \cos(2x)) \cdot 2 \\
 &= \frac{\cos(2x) - \sin(2x)}{\sqrt{\cos(2x) + \sin(2x)}}
 \end{aligned}$$

(b) $G(x) = \left(\frac{3x-1}{2x^2-1}\right)^3$

Solution $G(x) = (f \circ g)(x)$ where $f(x) = x^3$ and $g(x) = \frac{3x-1}{2x^2-1}$. We can use chain rule to find $G'(x)$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 G'(x) &= 3 \left(\frac{3x-1}{2x^2-1}\right)^2 \cdot \left(\frac{(2x^2-1)(3) - (3x-1)(4x)}{(2x^2-1)^2}\right) \\
 &= 3 \left(\frac{3x-1}{2x^2-1}\right)^2 \cdot \left(\frac{-6x^2 - 3 + 4x}{(2x^2-1)^2}\right)
 \end{aligned}$$

(c) $y = x^{-3} \sec(x)$

Solution

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -3x^{-4} \sec(x) + x^{-3} \sec(x) \tan x$$

4. For two functions f, g we have the following values. Find the derivatives

x	$f(x)$	$f'(x)$	$g(x)$	$g'(x)$
-3	1	2	7	0
2	5	2	-6	-1
5	$\frac{1}{2}$	7	-3	4

(a) $(f \circ g)'(5)$

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} (f \circ g)'(5) &= f'(g(5)) \cdot g'(5) \\ &= f'(-3) \cdot 4 \\ &= 2 \cdot 4 \\ &= 8 \end{aligned}$$

(b) $(fg)'(5)$

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} (fg)'(5) &= f'(5)g(5) + f(5)g'(5) \\ &= 6(-3) + 4\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \\ &= -21 + 2 \\ &= -19 \end{aligned}$$

(c) $\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)'(5)$

Solution

$$\begin{aligned}\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)'(5) &= \frac{g(5)f'(5) - f(5)g'(5)}{[g(5)]^2} \\ &= \frac{(03)97 - (\frac{1}{2})(4)}{(-3)^2} \\ &= \frac{-21 - 2}{9} \\ &= \frac{-23}{9}\end{aligned}$$

5. Find the equation of the tangent line to the curve $y = (1 + x^2)\sin(2x)$ at the point $(0, 1)$

Solution

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= (2x)\sin(2x) + (1 + x^2)\cos(2x) \cdot 2 \\ &= (2x)\sin(2x) + 2(1 + x^2)\cos(2x)\end{aligned}$$

At $(0, 1)$ $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 = 2$, and this is the slope of the tangent line. Notice that $(0, 1)$ is the y-intercept, so the equation of the tangent line to the curve y at $(0, 1)$ is

$$y = 2x + 1$$

6. Find the following limit.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{\sin(x-3)}{x^2 - 4x + 3}$$

Solution

First, notice that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{\sin(x-3)}{x^2 - 4x + 3} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{\sin(x-3)}{(x-3)(x-1)}$. We wish to use the fact that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(x)}{x} = 1$. Let $w = x - 3$. Then $x - 1 = w + 2$ and as $x \rightarrow 3$, $w \rightarrow 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{\sin(x-3)}{(x-3)(x-1)} &= \lim_{w \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(w)}{w(w+2)} \\ &= \lim_{w \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(w)}{w} \cdot \frac{1}{w+2} \\ &= \lim_{w \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(w)}{w} \cdot \lim_{w \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{w+2} \\ &= 2 \lim_{w \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(w)}{w} \\ &= 2 \cdot 1 = 2 \end{aligned}$$

7. Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ for the curve $y^2 + (x-2)^2 = 20$ at the point $(4, -4)$

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx}[y^2 + (x-2)^2] &= \frac{d}{dx}20 \\ 2y \frac{dy}{dx} + 2(x-2)(1) &= 0 \\ 2y \frac{dy}{dx} &= -2(x-2) \\ \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{-2(x-2)}{2y} \\ &= \frac{-(x-2)}{y} \\ &= \frac{2-x}{y} \end{aligned}$$

At point $(4, -4)$ $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2-4}{-4} = \frac{1}{2}$.