

Section 3.3 Rules for Derivatives

Rules:

- Power Rule
- Product Rule
- Quotient Rule

Power Rule

$$f(x) = x^n$$

$$f'(x) = n x^{n-1}$$

Find the derivative.

1. $y = \frac{4}{x^4} - \frac{3}{x^3} + 2x^2 - \frac{1}{x} + x + 2$

$$y = 4x^{-4} - 3x^{-3} + 2x^2 - x^{-1} + x + 2$$

$$y' = -16x^{-5} + 9x^{-4} + 4x + x^{-2} + 1$$

2. $y = \frac{x^2}{3}$

$$y = \frac{1}{3}x^2$$

$$y' = \frac{2}{3}x$$

3. $y = \frac{5}{\sqrt{x}}$

$$y = 5x^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$y' = -\frac{5}{2}x^{-\frac{3}{2}}$$

Product Rule

$$\frac{d}{dx}(u \cdot v) = u \cdot v' + v u'$$

"first d'last + last d'first"

4. $f(x) = (5x^4 - 3x)(6x^{-2})$

$$f'(x) = (5x^4 - 3x)(-12x^{-3}) + (6x^{-2})(20x^3 - 3)$$

$$f'(x) = -60x + 36x^{-2} + 120x - 18x^{-2}$$

$$= 60x + 18x^{-2}$$

$$= 60x + \frac{18}{x^2}$$

$$f(x) = u \cdot v \quad f'(x) = uv' + vu'$$

5. $f(x) = (x^2 - 3x)(x^3 - 4)$

$$f'(x) = (x^2 - 3x)(3x^2) + (x^3 - 4)(2x - 3)$$

$$f'(x) = 3x^4 - 9x^3 + 2x^4 - 8x - 3x^3 + 12$$

$$f'(x) = 5x^4 - 12x^3 - 8x + 12$$

Quotient Rule

$$\frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{u}{v}\right) = \frac{v \cdot u' - u \cdot v'}{v^2}$$

"low d'high - high d'low all over low squared"

6. $y = \frac{1}{x+2}$

$$y' = \frac{(x+2)(0) - (1)(1)}{(x+2)^2}$$

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

7. $f(x) = \frac{x+1}{x^2-4}$

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

$$f'(x) = \frac{x^2 - 4 - 2x^2 - 2x}{(x^2-4)^2}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{-x^2 - 2x - 4}{(x^2-4)^2}$$

Given:

$$\begin{aligned}f(2) &= 3 \\f'(2) &= -1 \\g(2) &= 4 \\g'(2) &= 2\end{aligned}$$

8. If $h(x) = f(x) \cdot g(x)$, find $\frac{dh}{dx}(2)$.

$$h'(a) = f(a) \cdot g'(a) + g(a) \cdot f'(a)$$

$$h'(2) = 3 \cdot 2 + 4 \cdot (-1)$$

$$h'(2) = 2$$

9. If $h(x) = \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$, find $\frac{dh}{dx}(2)$.

$$h'(a) = \frac{g(a) \cdot f'(a) - f(a) \cdot g'(a)}{[g(a)]^2}$$

$$g(a)^2 \neq [g(a)]^2$$

$$h'(2) = \frac{4 \cdot (-1) - (3) \cdot (2)}{(4)^2}$$

$$h'(2) = \left(\frac{-5}{4}\right)$$

10. $\frac{d}{dx}(3f - 5g)$ at $x = 2$

$$= 3f'(a) - 5g'(a)$$

$$= 3(-1) - 5(2)$$

$$= -3 - 10$$

$$= -13$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} 3f \\ 3f' + f \cdot (0)$$

11. Given $f(x) = x^2 - x - 6$, find the tangent line parallel to the x-axis.

$$\text{pt.} \\ \left(\frac{1}{2}, f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\right)$$

$$f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - 6$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2} - 6$$

$$f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{-25}{4}$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{-25}{4}\right)$$

slope

$$m = 0$$

$$f'(x) = 2x - 1$$

$$2x - 1 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$y = \frac{-25}{4} \text{ OR } y + \frac{25}{4} = 0 \left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right)$$