

AP Calculus – 2.4 Notes - Product Rule and Quotient Rule

Key

Product Rule

$$h(x) = f \cdot g$$

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

Find the derivative of each function.

1. $f(x) = 8x \sin x$

$$f'(x) = 8 \sin x + 8x \cos x$$

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2. $g(x) = 2e^x(\sqrt{x})$

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

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

3. $h(x) = \left(\frac{1}{x} + 1\right)(2x^2 - 5)$

$$h'(x) = -x^{-2} \cdot (2x^2 - 5) + \left(\frac{1}{x} + 1\right) \cdot 4x$$

$$h'(x) = \frac{2x^2 - 5}{-x^2} + 4 + 4x$$

$$h'(x) = \frac{2x^2}{-x^2} + \frac{5}{x^2} + 4 + 4x = -2 + \frac{5}{x^2} + 4 + 4x$$

The table below shows values of two differentiable functions f and g , as well as their derivatives.

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

$$h'(x) = \frac{5}{x^2} + 4x + 2$$

4. $h(x) = 3f(x)g(x)$
Find $h'(2)$.

$$h'(x) = 3f'(x) \cdot g(x) + 3f(x) \cdot g'(x)$$

$$h'(2) = 3f'(2)g(2) + 3f(2)g'(2)$$

$$h'(2) = 3(-2)(-1) + 3(4)(2) = \boxed{30}$$

5. $r(x) = \left(\frac{f(x)}{2} + 2\right)(3 - g(x))$
Find $r'(-5)$.

$$r'(x) = \frac{1}{2}f'(x) \cdot (3 - g(x)) + \left(\frac{1}{2}f(x) + 2\right) \cdot (-g'(x))$$

$$r'(-5) = \frac{1}{2}f'(-5)(3 - g(-5)) + \left(\frac{1}{2}f(-5) + 2\right)(-g'(-5))$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(4)(3 - (-2)) + \left(\frac{1}{2}(3) + 2\right)(-5) = 2(5) + \frac{7}{2}(-5) = \boxed{-\frac{15}{2}}$$

Find the derivative of each function.

1. $f(x) = (2x - 3) \sin x$

$$f'(x) = 2 \sin x + (2x - 3) \cos x$$

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2. $g(x) = 2x^3 e^x$

$$g'(x) = 6x^2 \cdot e^x + 2x^3 \cdot e^x$$

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3. $h(x) = 4\sqrt{x} \ln x$

$$h'(x) = 4 \cdot \frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2} \cdot \ln x + 4x^{1/2} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$$

$$h'(x) = \frac{2 \ln x}{\sqrt{x}} + \frac{4}{\sqrt{x}} = \frac{2 \ln x + 4}{\sqrt{x}}$$

4. $f(x) = (4 - 5x) \cos x$

$$f'(x) = (-5) \cos x + (4 - 5x) (-\sin x)$$

$$f'(x) = -5 \cos x - \sin x (4 - 5x)$$

5. $g(x) = 6 \ln x \sin x$

$$g'(x) = 6 \left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \sin x + 6 \ln x \cdot \cos x$$

$$g'(x) = \frac{6 \sin x}{x} + 6 \ln x \cos x$$

6. $h(x) = 2e^x(x^2 + x)$

$$h'(x) = 2e^x(x^2 + x) + 2e^x(2x + 1)$$

$$h'(x) = 2e^x(x^2 + x + 2x + 1)$$

$$h'(x) = 2e^x(x^2 + 3x + 1)$$

Quotient Rule

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

$$h'(x) = \frac{f'g - fg'}{g^2}$$

Find the derivative of each function.

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

$$y' = \frac{4x \cdot (3x+1) - 2x^2 \cdot (3)}{(3x+1)^2} \rightarrow \frac{12x^2 + 4x - 6x^2}{(3x+1)^2}$$

$$y' = \frac{6x^2 + 4x}{(3x+1)^2}$$

2. $g(x) = \frac{3e^x}{2x}$

$$g'(x) = \frac{3e^x \cdot 2x - 3e^x \cdot 2}{(2x)^2} \rightarrow \frac{6xe^x - 6e^x}{4x^2}$$

$$g'(x) = \frac{6e^x(x-1)}{4x^2}$$

3. $h(x) = \frac{\sin x}{2x^2 - 5}$

$$h'(x) = \frac{\cos x(2x^2 - 5) - \sin x(4x)}{(2x^2 - 5)^2}$$

4. $h(x) = \frac{3x+1}{2x^2}$

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

$$\frac{6x^2 - 12x^2 - 4x}{4x^4}$$

$$h'(x) = \frac{-6x^2 - 4x}{4x^4}$$

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

The table below shows values of two differentiable functions f and g , as well as their derivatives.

x	$f(x)$	$f'(x)$	$g(x)$	$g'(x)$
2	4	-2	-1	2

5. $h(x) = \frac{f(x)}{3g(x)}$

Find $h'(2)$.

$$h'(x) = \frac{f'(x) \cdot 3g(x) - f(x) \cdot 3g'(x)}{[3g(x)]^2}$$

$$h'(2) = \frac{f'(2) \cdot 3g(2) - f(2) \cdot 3g'(2)}{9[g(2)]^2} = \frac{(-2)(3)(-1) - 4(3)(2)}{9(-1)^2}$$

$$= \frac{6 - 24}{9} \rightarrow \frac{-18}{9} \quad \boxed{h'(2) = -2}$$

6. $r(x) = \frac{-g(x)}{1-f(x)}$

Find $r'(2)$.

$$r'(x) = \frac{-g'(x)(1-f(x)) - (-g(x))(-f'(x))}{(1-f(x))^2}$$

$$r'(2) = \frac{-2(1-4) - (-1)(-2)}{(1-4)^2}$$

$$= \frac{6-2}{9} = \frac{4}{9}$$

$$\boxed{r'(2) = 4/9}$$

Find the derivative of each function.

1. $h(x) = \frac{4x-1}{3x+2}$

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

$$h'(x) = \frac{12x+8-12x+3}{(3x+2)^2} \rightarrow \frac{11}{(3x+2)^2}$$

2. $g(x) = \frac{\sin x}{x}$

$$g'(x) = \frac{(\cos x)(x) - (\sin x)(1)}{x^2}$$

$$g'(x) = \frac{x \cos x - \sin x}{x^2}$$

3. $h(x) = \frac{x^3+2x^2-x}{2x}$

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

simplify first!

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

$$h'(x) = x + 1$$

Product and Quotient Rule Practice Problems:

13.

x	$d(x)$	$d'(x)$	$h(x)$	$h'(x)$
1	-3	-2	4	3

a. $a(x) = d(x)h(x)$
Find $a'(1)$.

$$a'(x) = d'(x)h(x) + d(x)h'(x)$$

$$a'(1) = d'(1)h(1) + d(1)h'(1)$$

$$a'(1) = (-2)(4) + (-3)(3) = \boxed{-17}$$

$-8 \quad -9 \rightarrow$

b. $b(x) = -d(x)h(x)$
Find $b'(1)$.

$$b'(x) = -d'(x)h(x) - d(x)h'(x)$$

$$b'(1) = -d'(1)h(1) - d(1)h'(1)$$

$$b'(1) = -(-2)(4) - (-3)(3) = 8 + 9 = \boxed{17}$$

$$c(x) = \left(2 - \frac{1}{2}d(x)\right)(6 - h(x))$$

c. Find $c'(1)$.

$$c'(x) = -\frac{1}{2}d'(x)(6 - h(x)) + \left(2 - \frac{1}{2}d(x)\right)(-h'(x))$$

$$c'(1) = -\frac{1}{2}d'(1)(6 - h(1)) + \left(2 - \frac{1}{2}d(1)\right)(-h'(1))$$

$$= (1)(6 - 4) + (2 + \frac{3}{2})(-3) = \boxed{-17/2}$$

Find the equation of the tangent line at the given x -value.

14. $f(x) = 8 \sin x \cos x$ at $x = \frac{\pi}{3}$

$$f'(x) = 8 \cos x (\cos x) + 8 \sin x (-\sin x)$$

$$f'(x) = 8 \cos^2 x - 8 \sin^2 x$$

$$f'(\pi/3) = 8(\cos^2 \pi/3) - 8(\sin^2 \pi/3)$$

$$= 8\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 - 8\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^2$$

$$= 8\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) - 8\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) = -4$$

14b) $g(x) = -2xe^x$ at $x = 0$

$$g'(x) = -2e^x + -2xe^x$$

$$g'(0) = -2e^0 - 2(0)e^0 = -2$$

point: $(0, 0)$
slope: $m = -2$
 $y - 0 = -2(x - 0)$
 $y = -2x$

point: $(\pi/3, 2\sqrt{3})$
slope: $m = -4$
 $y - 2\sqrt{3} = -4(x - \pi/3)$

15. What is the instantaneous rate of change at $x = 4$ of the function $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 1}{x - 2}$? (Quotient Rule!)

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

(A) $-\frac{15}{2}$

(B) $\frac{1}{4}$

(C) $\frac{1}{2}$

(D) $\frac{15}{2}$

16. Let f and g be differentiable functions with the following properties:

I. $f(x) < 0$ for all x

II. $g(5) = 2$

If $h(x) = \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$ and $h'(x) = \frac{f'(x)}{g(x)}$, then $g(x) =$

$$h'(x) = \frac{f'(x)g(x) - f(x)g'(x)}{[g(x)]^2} \rightarrow \frac{f'(x)g(x) - f(x) \cdot 0}{[g(x)]^2} \rightarrow \frac{f'(x)}{g(x)}$$

(A) $\frac{1}{f'(x)}$

(B) $f(x)$

(C) $-f(x)$

(D) 0

(E) 2

* If $g'(x) = 0$, then $g(x)$ is a constant. Since $g(5) = 2$, then $g(x) = 2$

17. The function f is defined by $f(x) = \frac{x}{x+4}$. What points (x, y) on the graph of f have the property that the line tangent to f at (x, y) has a slope of $\frac{1}{9}$?

- (A) $(2, \frac{1}{3})$ only
 (B) $(\frac{1}{9}, \frac{1}{13})$ only
 (C) $(2, \frac{1}{3})$ and $(-10, \frac{5}{3})$
 (D) $(2, \frac{1}{3})$ and $(-2, -1)$
 (E) There are no such points.

* quotient Rule

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

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

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

$$\frac{1}{9} = \frac{4}{(x+4)^2}$$

$$(x+4)^2 = 36$$

$$\sqrt{(x+4)^2} = \sqrt{36}$$

$$x+4 = \pm 6$$

$$x = -4 + 6 \rightarrow 2$$

$$x = -4 - 6 \rightarrow -10$$

points:

$$(2, \frac{1}{3}) \text{ and}$$

$$(-10, \frac{5}{3})$$

18. The graph of a function f is shown to the right. Let $g(x) = \frac{x^2-1}{f(x)}$. What is the value of $g'(4)$? * quotient Rule

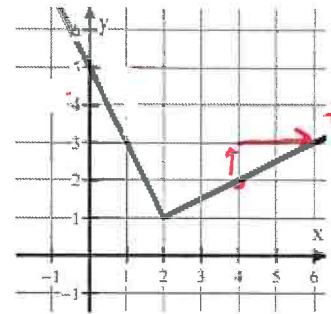
$$g'(x) = \frac{(2x)(f(x)) - (x^2-1) \cdot f'(x)}{[f(x)]^2}$$

$$g'(4) = \frac{16 - \frac{15}{2}}{4}$$

$$g'(4) = \frac{2(4)f(4) - [4^2-1] \cdot f'(4)}{[f(4)]^2}$$

$$g'(4) = \frac{\frac{17}{2}}{4} \rightarrow \frac{17}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{4} = \frac{17}{8}$$

$$g'(4) = \frac{2(2) - (15)(\frac{1}{2})}{(2)^2}$$



Graph of f

$$g'(4) = \frac{17}{8}$$

19. The graphs of f and g are shown to the right. If $h(x) = 4f(x)g(x)$, then $h'(1) =$

* product Rule

(A) -22

$$h'(x) = 4f'(x) \cdot g(x) + 4f(x) \cdot g'(x)$$

(B) -4

$$h'(1) = 4f'(1)g(1) + 4f(1)g'(1)$$

(C) 0

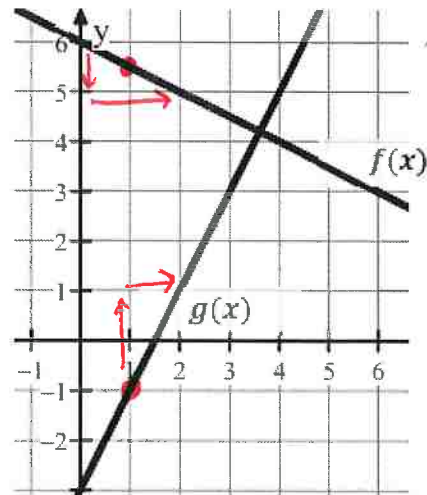
$$h'(1) = 4(-\frac{1}{2})(-1) + 4(5.5)(2)$$

(D) 4

$$h'(1) = 2 + 44$$

(E) 46

$$h'(1) = 46$$



$$f'(1) = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$g'(1) = \frac{2}{1} = 2$$