

3.5. DERIVATIVES OF PRODUCTS AND QUOTIENTS

$$(1) \frac{d}{dx}[f(x)g(x)] =$$

$$(2) \frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \right] =$$

Examples

Example 3.5.1. Find $f'(x)$ if $f(x) = (x^2 + 2x + 1)(3x^4 - 2x^2 + 4)$

Example 3.5.2. Find $g'(t)$ if $g(t) = 5t^4(\sqrt[3]{t} + 1)$

Example 3.5.3. Find $f'(w)$ if $f(w) = \frac{w^2 + 5w + 5}{3w^4 + w^2 - 1}$

Example 3.5.4. Find $h'(x)$ if $h(x) = \frac{\sqrt{x} + 1}{\sqrt{x} - 1}$

Example 3.5.5. Find $\frac{d}{dx}(3 - 5x^{1/5})(4x^{-1/2} - 3)$

Example 3.5.6. Find the equation of the line tangent to the graph of $f(x) = \frac{x-4}{x+2}$ at $(-1, -5)$.

Example 3.5.7. Suppose $f(-3) = 4$, $f'(-3) = -1$, $g(-3) = -2$, and $g'(-3) = 5$. Find

(1) $h'(-3)$ if $h(x) = f(x) + g(x)$

(2) $(fg)'(-3)$

(3) $h'(-3)$ if $h(x) = \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$

(4) $h'(-3)$ where $h(x) = \frac{x^2 g(x)}{f(x)}$

Example 3.5.8. *In the early days of quantitative learning theory (around 1917), L. L. Thurstone found that a given person successfully accomplished $N(x)$ acts after x practice acts, as given by*

$$N(x) = \frac{100x + 200}{x + 32}$$

(1) *Find the average rate of change of the number of acts accomplished, $N(x)$, from 1 practice acts to 3 practice acts.*

(2) *Find the instantaneous rate of change of $N(x)$ at $x = 1$.*

(3) *Find the instantaneous rate of change of $N(x)$ at $x = 3$.*

Homework: 3.5 p. 194 # 1-37 eoo, 47-55 eoo, 65, 69, work e-grade practice at least 2 times.