

3.3 Rules For Differentiation

The Product Rule

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If both $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are differentiable functions, then if $y = f(x) \cdot g(x)$, then

$$y' = f(x)g'(x) + g(x)f'(x)$$

Ex. 1 Differentiate the following:

$$f(x) = (2x^3 + 5)(3x^2 - x)$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_a \quad \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_b$

$$\ast f'(x) = (2x^3 + 5)(6x - 1) + (3x^2 - x)(6x^2)$$

$$f'(x) = 12x^4 - 2x^3 + 30x - 5 + 18x^4 - 6x^3$$

$$= 30x^4 - 8x^3 + 30x - 5$$

$$y = (x^2 + 3)^4 (2x - 7)^5$$

Ex. 2 Differentiate the following:

$$y = \sqrt{x}(2 - 3x)$$

$$y = x^{1/2} (2 - 3x)$$

$$\begin{aligned} y' &= x^{1/2} (-3) + (2 - 3x)' \cdot \frac{1}{2} x^{-1/2} \\ &= -\frac{3}{2} x^{1/2} + x^{-1/2} - \frac{3}{2} x^{1/2} \\ &= x^{-1/2} - \frac{3}{2} x^{1/2} \\ &= \frac{1}{x^{1/2}} - \frac{3}{2} x^{1/2} \end{aligned}$$

Ex.3 Find the equation of the tangent line to the curve $f(x) = (3x^2 + 2)(2x^3 - 1)$ at the point (1,5)

$$f'(x) = (3x^2 + 2)(6x^2) + (2x^3 - 1)(6x) \quad *$$

$$f'(1) = (3(1)^2 + 2)(6(1)^2) + (2(1)^3 - 1)(6(1))$$

$$= (5)(6) + (6)$$

$$= 36$$

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$y - 5 = 36(x - 1)$$

$$0 = 36x - y - 31$$

The Product Rule Song

http://archives.math.utk.edu/visual.calculus/2/product_rule.1/index.html

Shown at right is a graph of the functions $f(x)$ and $g(x)$. Assume that $F(x) = f(x) \cdot g(x)$. By studying the graph and using the product rule, determine the value of each of the following.

21. $F'(2)$

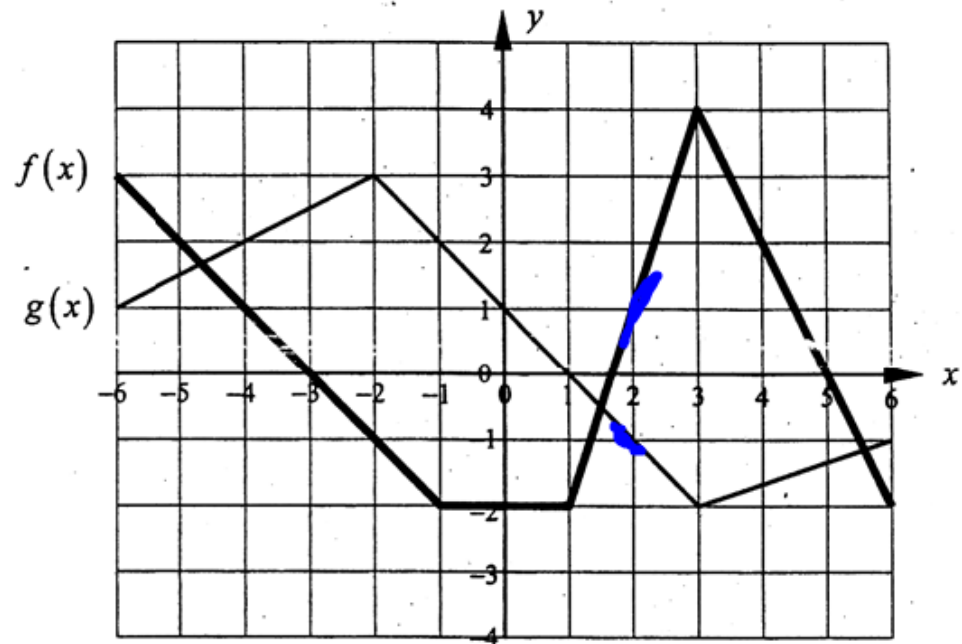
22. $F'(-4)$

23. $F'(0)$

24. $F'(3)$

25. If $f(x) = (x^2 + 3x)^5$, use the product rule to show that

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



21 $F'(2)$

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

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

$$F'(2) = f(2)g'(2) + g(2)f'(2)$$

$$= (1)(-1) + (-1)(3)$$

$$= -1 + -3 = -4$$

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

(i) $g(x) > 0$ for all x

(ii) $f(0) = 1$

If $h(x) = f(x)g(x)$ and $h'(x) = f(x)g'(x)$, then $f(x) =$

(A) $f'(x)$

(B) $g(x)$

(C) e^x

(D) 0

(E) 1

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

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

$$g(x)f'(x) = 0$$

$$f'(x) = 0$$

Assignment

Handout #'s

1 odd

2 odd

3 odd

5,6

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