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Math 160
APPLIED CALCULUS
EXAM II

Show all work.

Do not begin until told to do so.

I. Product Rule:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dx}[f(x) \cdot g(x)] &= \frac{d}{dx}[f(x)] \cdot g(x) + \frac{d}{dx}[g(x)] \cdot f(x) \\ &= f' \cdot g + g' \cdot f\end{aligned}$$

II. Quotient Rule:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \right] &= \frac{\frac{d}{dx}[f(x)] \cdot g(x) - \frac{d}{dx}[g(x)] \cdot f(x)}{[g(x)]^2} \\ &= \frac{f' \cdot g - g' \cdot f}{g^2}\end{aligned}$$

III. Chain Rule:

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

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1. Find the slope of the tangent line to $f(x) = x^3 + 2x + 1$ at $x = 1$.

[8 points]

Solution:

The slope of the tangent at $x = 1$ is equivalent to the derivative at $x = 1$, $f'(1)$, $f'(x) = 3x^2 + 2$, so $f'(1) = 3(1)^2 + 2 = 5$. The slope of the tangent line at $x = 1$ is 5.

2. Let $f(x) = -2x^2 - 3$:

- (a) Find the average rate of change over the interval $[1, 3]$.

[6 points]

- (b) Find the instantaneous rate of change at $x = 3$.

[6 points]

3. Using the limit definition, find the derivative of $f(x) = 4x^2$.

[7 points]

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{4(x+h)^2 - 4x^2}{h} \\&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{4(x^2 + 2xh + h^2) - 4x^2}{h} \\&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{4x^2 + 8xh + 4h^2 - 4x^2}{h} \\&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{8xh + 4h^2}{h} \\&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h(8x + 4h)}{h} \\&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 8x + 4h \\&= 8x + 4(0) = 8x\end{aligned}$$

4. Find the equation of the tangent line to $f(x) = 5x^2 - 4x - 12$ at the point $(-2, f(-2))$.
(Remember the slope of the tangent line at $x = a$ is $f'(a)$).

[8 points]

5. Given $f(x) = \frac{5}{x} + 8x^2 + 4\sqrt{x}$, find $f'(1)$.

[8 points]

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}f(x) &= 5x^{-1} + 8x^2 + 4x^{1/2} \\ \text{so } f'(x) &= -5x^{-2} + 16x + 2x^{-1/2} \\ f'(x) &= \frac{-5}{x^2} + 16x + \frac{2}{\sqrt{x}} \\ f'(1) &= \frac{-5}{1^2} + 16(1) + \frac{2}{\sqrt{1}} \\ &= -5 + 16 + 2 = 13\end{aligned}$$

6. Find the derivative of $f(x) = \pi^3$.

[6 points]

7. Find the derivative of $f(x) = 7x^{-3} + 3x^{5/3}$.

[6 points]

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}f'(x) &= \frac{d}{dx} [7x^{-3} + 3x^{5/3}] \\ &= -21x^{-4} + 5x^{2/3}\end{aligned}$$

8. Find the derivative of $f(x) = 5x^6 + 3x^2 - \frac{2}{x}$.

[6 points]

9. Find the derivative of the function $f(x) = \frac{2x^8}{6x^2}$ in two ways:

- (a) Using Quotient rule.

[6 points]

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{2x^8}{6x^2} \right] \\ &= \frac{\frac{d}{dx} [2x^8] (6x^2) - \frac{d}{dx} [6x^2] (2x^8)}{(6x^2)^2} \\ &= \frac{(16x^7)(6x^2) - (12x)(2x^8)}{(6x^2)^2} \\ &= \frac{96x^9 - 24x^9}{36x^4} \\ &= \frac{72x^9}{36x^4} = 2x^5 \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Simplifying the function and using the Power rule.

[6 points]

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \frac{2x^8}{6x^2} \\ &= \frac{x^6}{3} = \frac{1}{3}x^6 \\ f'(x) &= \frac{1}{3} \cdot 6x^5 \\ &= 2x^5 \end{aligned}$$

10. Find functions f and g such that the given function is $f(g(x))$.

$$\sqrt{3x^4 - 7x^2 + 5}$$

[6 points]

Solution:

f is the "outer" function and g is the "inner" function,

So: $y = f(u) = \sqrt{u} = u^{1/2}$, and $u = g(x) = 3x^4 - 7x^2 + 5$,

in terms of x only, we have $f(x) = x^{1/2}$ and $g(x) = 3x^4 - 7x^2 + 5$.

11. Find $x(x^2 - 1)^4$ using product rule (*Hint: Remember you must use chain rule as well*).

[7 points]

12. Calculate the derivative of $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 2x + 3}{x + 1}$.

[7 points]

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{x^2 - 2x + 3}{x + 1} \right] \\ &= \frac{\frac{d}{dx} [x^2 - 2x + 3] (x + 1) - \frac{d}{dx} [x + 1] (x^2 - 2x + 3)}{(x + 1)^2} \\ &= \frac{(2x - 2)(x + 1) - 1(x^2 - 2x + 3)}{(x + 1)^2} \\ &= \frac{2x^2 - 2 - x^2 + 2x - 3}{(x + 1)^2} \\ &= \frac{x^2 + 2x - 5}{(x + 1)^2} \end{aligned}$$

13. Find the derivative of the function in question #10.

[7 points]

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} \left[\sqrt{3x^4 - 7x^2 + 5} \right] &= \frac{d}{dx} \left[(3x^4 - 7x^2 + 5)^{1/2} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (3x^4 - 7x^2 + 5)^{-1/2} \cdot \frac{d}{dx} [3x^4 - 7x^2 + 5] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (3x^4 - 7x^2 + 5)^{-1/2} \cdot (12x^3 - 14x) \\ &= (6x^3 - 7x)(3x^4 - 7x^2 + 5)^{-1/2} \\ &= \frac{6x^3 - 7x}{\sqrt{3x^4 - 7x^2 + 5}} \end{aligned}$$