

Questions from Homework

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

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

Chain Rule:

The Chain Rule If f and g are both differentiable and $F = f \circ g$ is the composite function defined by $F(x) = f(g(x))$, then F is differentiable and F' is given by the product

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

Work from the outside to the inside

Examples:

$$f(x) = (5x^3 + 1)^{10}$$

$$f'(x) = \underline{10}(5x^3 + 1)^9 (\underline{15x^2})$$

$$f'(x) = 150x^2(5x^3 + 1)^9$$

$$F(x) = \sqrt{2x^2 + 3} = (2x^2 + 3)^{1/2}$$

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

$$F'(x) = 2x(2x^2 + 3)^{-1/2}$$

$$F'(x) = \frac{2x}{(2x^2 + 3)^{1/2}} = \frac{2x}{\sqrt{2x^2 + 3}}$$

$$h(x) = \sqrt[3]{5 - 3x^4} = (5 - 3x^4)^{1/3}$$

$$h'(x) = \frac{1}{3}(5 - 3x^4)^{-2/3} (\underline{-12x^3})$$

$$h'(x) = \frac{-4x^3}{(5 - 3x^4)^{2/3}} = \frac{-4x^3}{\sqrt[3]{(5 - 3x^4)^2}}$$

Combining the Chain Rule With the Product and Quotient Rule:

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Differentiate the following function and simplify your answer:

$$y = (x^2 + 1)^3 (2 - 3x)^4 \quad y' = f'g + fg'$$

$$y' = 3(x^2 + 1)^2 (2x) (2 - 3x)^4 + (x^2 + 1)^3 (4) (2 - 3x)^3 (-3)$$

$$y' = 6x(x^2 + 1)^2 (2 - 3x)^4 - 12(x^2 + 1)^3 (2 - 3x)^3$$

$$y' = 6(x^2 + 1)^2 (2 - 3x)^3 \left[x(2 - 3x) - 2(x^2 + 1) \right]$$

$$y' = 6(x^2 + 1)^2 (2 - 3x)^3 (-5x^2 + 2x - 2)$$

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

$$g'(x) = \frac{(2x)(2)(3x+2)(3) - 2(3x+2)^2}{(2x)^2}$$

$$g'(x) = \frac{12x(3x+2) - 2(3x+2)^2}{4x^2}$$

$$g'(x) = \frac{2(3x+2)[6x - (3x+2)]}{4x^2}$$

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

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Differentiate the following functions and simplify your answers:

$$s = \left(\frac{2t-1}{t+2} \right)^6$$

$$y' = \frac{f'g - fg'}{g^2}$$

$$s' = 6 \left(\frac{2t-1}{t+2} \right)^5 \left[\frac{2(t+2) - 1(2t-1)}{(t+2)^2} \right]$$

$$s' = 6 \cdot \frac{(2t-1)^5}{(t+2)^5} \cdot \frac{5}{(t+2)^2} = \frac{30(2t-1)^5}{(t+2)^7}$$

Homework

$$g(x) = 9x^{-3}(5x^3 - 1)^6$$

$$g(x) = \frac{(x^2 - 5x + 1)^8}{(1 - x^{-7})^{20}}$$