

Math 251 Fall 2017

Derivative Proficiency, October 25th

Name: _____ Solutions _____

This is a 30 minute quiz. There are 15 problems. Books, notes, calculators or any other aids are prohibited. Calculators and notes are not allowed. **Your answers should be simplified unless otherwise stated.** They should begin $y' =$ or $f'(x) =$ or $dy/dx =$, etc. There is no partial credit. If you have any questions, please raise your hand.

Circle your final answer.

For each function below, find the derivative.

1. $y = \frac{\ln x}{x^3} = x^{-3} \ln x$

$$y' = -3x^{-4} \ln x + x^{-3} \cdot \frac{1}{x} = -3x^{-4} \ln x + x^{-4}$$

$$y' = x^{-4} (-3 \ln x + 1)$$

2. $g(x) = \sqrt{3x} - x^{\pi-1} + \frac{x}{3} = \sqrt{3} x^{\frac{1}{2}} - x^{\pi-1} + \frac{1}{3} x$

$$g'(x) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} x^{-\frac{1}{2}} - x^{\pi-2} + \frac{1}{3}$$

3. $f(x) = 6^{x^2} + \cot(x)$

$$f'(x) = (\ln 6) \cdot 6^{x^2} \cdot 2x + (-\csc^2 x)$$

$$f'(x) = (2 \ln 6) x 6^{x^2} - \csc^2 x$$

$$4. y = \frac{-\pi}{(x^2+7x)^3} = -\pi(x^2+7x)^{-3}$$

$$y' = -\pi(-3)(x^2+7x)^{-4} \cdot (2x+7)$$

$$y' = 3\pi(2x+7)(x^2+7x)^{-4}$$

$$5. h(x) = \frac{\cos 3x}{3+x-x^2} \text{ [You don't need to simplify.]}$$

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

$$6. y = \sqrt{4x^2 - 25} = (4x^2 - 25)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$y' = \frac{1}{2}(4x^2 - 25)^{-\frac{1}{2}}(8x)$$

$$y' = 4x(4x^2 - 25)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$7. F(t) = (t^{-1} + 8)e^{-1/t} = (t^{-1} + 8)e^{-t^{-1}}$$

$$F'(t) = (t^{-1} + 8) \cdot e^{-t^{-1}} \cdot (-1)(-1)t^{-2} + (-1 \cdot t^{-2}) \cdot e^{-t^{-1}}$$
$$= t^{-2}(t^{-1} + 8)e^{-\frac{1}{t}} - t^{-2} \cdot e^{-\frac{1}{t}}$$

$$F'(t) = t^{-2}e^{-\frac{1}{t}}(t^{-1} + 8 - 1)$$
$$= t^{-2}e^{-\frac{1}{t}}(t^{-1} + 7) \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{t}}(1+7t)}{t^3}$$

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$$t^{-1} + 7 = \frac{1}{t} + 7 = \frac{1+7t}{t}$$

8. $f(x) = \arctan(e^{4x})$

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

$$f'(x) = \frac{4e^{4x}}{1+e^{8x}}$$

9. $y = \ln(3x+1) \arccos(x^2)$

$$y' = \ln(3x+1) \cdot \frac{-1}{\sqrt{1-x^4}} \cdot 2x + \frac{3}{3x+1} \cdot \arccos(x^2)$$

$$y' = \frac{-2x \ln(3x+1)}{\sqrt{1-x^4}} + \frac{3 \arccos(x^2)}{3x+1}$$

10. $G(x) = \ln\left(\frac{(x+2)^2}{8x}\right) = 2 \ln(x+2) - \ln(8x) = 2 \ln(x+2) - \ln 8 - \ln x$

$$G'(x) = 2 \cdot \frac{1}{x+2} \cdot 1 - 0 - \frac{1}{x}$$

$$G'(x) = \frac{2}{x+2} - \frac{1}{x}$$

11. $z = y^2(\sqrt{y} - 18\sqrt[3]{y}) = y^2(y^{\frac{1}{2}} - 18y^{\frac{1}{3}}) = y^{\frac{5}{2}} - 18y^{\frac{7}{3}}$

$$z' = \frac{5}{2} y^{\frac{3}{2}} - \frac{18 \cdot 7}{3} y^{\frac{4}{3}}$$

$$z' = \frac{5}{2} y^{\frac{3}{2}} - 42 y^{\frac{4}{3}}$$

$$12. h(x) = \frac{-4}{(\sec(4x))^{5/4}} = -4(\sec(4x))^{-5/4}$$

$$h'(x) = -4\left(-\frac{5}{4}\right)(\sec(4x))^{-9/4} \cdot \sec(4x) \tan(4x) \cdot 4$$

$$h'(x) = 20 \tan(4x) \cdot \sec(4x)^{-5/4}$$

$$13. \text{ (You do not need to simplify, in this case.) } H(x) = x^2 e^x (\arccos x)$$

$$H'(x) = 2x \cdot e^x \arccos x + x^2 \left[e^x \cdot \arccos x + e^x \cdot \frac{-1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \right]$$

$$14. g(x) = (\sin^3(x) + x)^4$$

$$g'(x) = 4(\sin^3 x + x)^3 \cdot [3\sin^2 x \cdot \cos x + 1]$$

15. Find dH/dx for $H = (ax + b)(cx)^3$ where a , b , and c are fixed constants.

$$H = (ax+b) \cdot c^3 \cdot x^3 = c^3 (ax+b)x^3$$

$$\frac{dH}{dx} = c^3 [a \cdot x^3 + (ax+b) \cdot 3x^2]$$

$$\frac{dH}{dx} = c^3 x^2 (ax + 3ax + 3b) = c^3 x^2 (4ax + 3b)$$