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SOLUTIONS

- There are 12 points possible on this proficiency: **One point per problem. No partial credit.**
- A passing score is 10/12.
- You have 30 minutes to complete this proficiency.
- No aids (book, calculator, etc.) are permitted.
- You do **not** need to simplify your expressions.
- Your final answers **must start with**  $f'(x) =$ ,  $dy/dx =$ , or similar.
- Circle your final answer.

Compute the derivatives of the following functions.

$$1. \ f(x) = \frac{x - \ln 3}{5} - \sqrt[3]{x}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{3}x^{-\frac{2}{3}}$$

$$2. \ h(x) = e^{-x/3} \cos(x)$$

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

$$3. \ f(t) = \frac{1 - 4t^{\frac{1}{2}} + t^3}{t} = t^{-1} - 4t^{-\frac{1}{2}} + t^2$$

$$f'(t) = -t^{-2} + 2t^{-\frac{3}{2}} + 2t$$

4.  $g(x) = \frac{1}{\sin(x)} = \csc(x)$

$$g'(x) = -\csc(x)\cot(x)$$

5.  $y = \arccos(2x^{1/4} + \sqrt{6})$

$$y' = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{1 - (2x^{1/4} + \sqrt{6})^2}} \left( \frac{1}{2} x^{-3/4} \right)$$

6.  $f(x) = x^k + e^{-kx}$ , where  $k$  is a fixed constant

$$f'(x) = kx^{k-1} - ke^{-kx}$$

$$7. \ y = \frac{\tan(x)}{1 + \ln(x)}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\sec^2(x)(1 + \ln(x)) - \tan(x)\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)}{(1 + \ln(x))^2}$$

$$8. \ y = e^x \ln(2x) \sec(x)$$

$$\begin{aligned} y' &= e^x \cdot \ln(2x) \cdot \sec(x) \\ &\quad + e^x \cdot \frac{1}{2x} \cdot 2 \cdot \sec(x) \\ &\quad + e^x \cdot \ln(2x) \cdot \sec(x) \tan(x) \end{aligned}$$

$$9. \ y = \sin^2(x - \sqrt{x})$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2 \sin(x - \sqrt{x}) \cos(x - \sqrt{x}) \left(-\frac{1}{2}x^{-\frac{1}{2}}\right)$$

10. 
$$h(x) = \frac{\pi}{x^2} + \left(\frac{x-1}{4}\right)^3$$

$$h'(x) = -2\pi x^{-3} + 3\left(\frac{x-1}{4}\right)^2 \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)$$

11. 
$$g(x) = \frac{\cos(2x)}{x^3+x}$$

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

12. Compute  $dy/dt$  if  $ye^y + 5 = 2\sin(y)t^3$ . You must solve for  $dy/dt$ .

$$y'e^y + y e^y y' = 2\cos(y)y't^3 + 2\sin(y)3t^2$$

$$y'(e^y + ye^y - 2t^3\cos(y)) = 6t^2\sin(y)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{6t^2\sin(y)}{e^y(1+y) - 2t^3\cos(y)}$$