

Name: Solutions

- There are 12 points possible on this proficiency, one point per problem. **No partial credit will be given.**
- You have 1 hour to complete this proficiency.
- No aids (book, calculator, etc.) are permitted.
- You do **not** need to simplify your expressions.
- Correct parenthesization is required.
- Your final answers **must start with** $f'(x) =$, $dy/dx =$, or similar.
- **Circle or box your final answer.**

1. [12 points] Compute the derivatives of the following functions.

$$\text{a. } f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{x}}{3} + \frac{5}{\sqrt{x}} - \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{3} = \frac{1}{3} x^{\frac{1}{2}} + 5 x^{-\frac{1}{2}} - \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{1}{2} x^{-\frac{1}{2}} \right) + 5 \left(-\frac{1}{2} x^{-\frac{3}{2}} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{6} x^{-\frac{1}{2}} - \frac{5}{2} x^{-\frac{3}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{b. } g(x) = \ln(\sec(x) + \tan(x))$$

$$g'(x) = \frac{\sec(x) + \tan(x) + \sec^2(x)}{\sec(x) + \tan(x)}$$

$$\text{c. } h(\theta) = \frac{\sin(\theta)}{\theta^3} = \theta^{-3} \sin(\theta)$$

$$h'(\theta) = -3\theta^{-4} \sin(\theta) + \theta^{-3} \cos \theta$$

d. $y = (\cos(4x) + e^x)^3$

$$y' = 3(\cos(4x) + e^x)^2 ((-\sin(4x))(4) + e^x)$$

e. $k(x) = \arctan(x^2)$

$$k'(x) = \frac{1}{1+(x^2)^2} (2x) = \frac{2x}{1+x^4}$$

f. $r(t) = \frac{t^3 - 5t^2 + t^{1/3}}{t} = t^2 - 5t + t^{-2/3}$

$$r'(t) = 2t - 5 - \frac{2}{3}t^{-5/3}$$

g. $f(x) = \sqrt{1+x^a}$ where a is a fixed constant

$$f(x) = (1+x^a)^{1/2}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2} (1+x^a)^{-1/2} (a x^{a-1})$$

h. $y = \ln\left(\frac{x}{1+2x}\right) = \ln(x) + \ln(1+2x)$

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

i. $y = \sin^5(x+e^{-x}) = (\sin(x+e^{-x}))^5$

$$y' = 5 (\sin(x+e^{-x}))^4 (\cos(x+e^{-x})) (1-e^{-x})$$

$$\text{j. } f(x) = \frac{1}{6x^2} + xe^x = \frac{1}{6} x^{-2} + xe^x$$

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

$$\text{k. } y = \frac{1}{\sin(x)} = \csc(x)$$

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

l. Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ for $e^y + x^3 = 10 + xy$

$$e^y \frac{dy}{dx} + 3x^2 = 1 \cdot y + x \cdot \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$(e^y - x) \frac{dy}{dx} = y - 3x^2$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y - 3x^2}{e^y - x}$$