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- There are 12 points possible on this proficiency: one point per problem with no partial credit.
- You have **60** minutes to complete this proficiency.
- No aids (book, calculator, etc.) are permitted.
- You do **not** need to simplify your expressions.
- Your final answers should start with $f'(x) =$, $dy/dx =$ or something similar.
- Circle your final answer.

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

a. $f(x) = \frac{x - \sqrt{3}}{5} - 3x^4 - \sqrt[3]{x}$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{5}x - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{5} - 3x^4 - x^{1/3}$$

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

b. $y = x^2 \sec(x)$

$$y' = 2x \sec(x) + x^2 \sec(x) \tan(x)$$

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

$$y' = \frac{\sec^2(x) [1 + \ln(x)] - \tan(x) \frac{1}{x}}{(1 + \ln(x))^2}$$

d. $y = e^{ax^2} \cos(bx)$ where a and b are fixed constants.

$$y' = 2ax e^{ax^2} \cos(bx) - b e^{ax^2} \sin(bx)$$

e. $f(x) = \arctan(\sin(5x))$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{1 + \sin^2(5x)} \cdot [\cos(5x) \cdot 5]$$

f. $g(x) = \sqrt{\sin^2(3x) + 1}$

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

g. $y = \tan(xe^x)$

$$y' = \sec^2(xe^x) \cdot [e^x + xe^x]$$

$$= \sec^2(xe^x) \cdot (1+x)e^x$$

h. $f(x) = \sqrt{x} \ln(x) \arcsin(x)$

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

$$= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \ln(x) \arcsin(x) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \arcsin(x) + \ln(x) \sqrt{\frac{x}{1-x^2}}$$

$$= \frac{\arcsin(x)}{\sqrt{x}} \left[\ln(\sqrt{x}) + 1 \right] + \ln(x) \sqrt{\frac{x}{1-x^2}}$$

i. $y = \cos\left(\frac{x}{x-1}\right)$

$$y' = -\sin\left(\frac{x}{x-1}\right) \cdot \left[\frac{1 \cdot (x-1) - x(1)}{(x-1)^2} \right]$$

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

j. $h(x) = \ln(\pi x^2 - (4x)^9)$

$$h'(x) = \frac{1}{\pi x^2 - (4x)^9} \cdot [2\pi x - 9(4x)^8 \cdot 4]$$

$$= \frac{2\pi x - 36(4x)^8}{\pi x^2 - (4x)^9}$$

k. $g(x) = \frac{e^3}{1-x^2}$

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

l. Compute dy/dx if $2x^2y^2 - x^3 + y^4 = 0$. You must solve for dy/dx .

$$2xy^2 + 2x^2yy' - 3x^2 + 4y^3y' = 0$$

$$[2x^2y + 4y^3]y' = 3x^2 - 2xy^2$$

$$y' = \frac{3x^2 - 2xy^2}{2x^2y + 4y^3}$$