

Day 16 is Tuesday, October 2, 2012

Please sit in groups of three.

Working on New Class Drill

Derivatives of Functions

Containing Logarithms.

Derivatives of Functions Containing Logarithms

2012 - 2013 Fall Semester MATH 1350 (Barsamian) Class Drill

(based on Section 4-2 Example 2 and Example 3 and suggested exercise 4-2#19)

(A) Let $f(x) = 12 \ln\left(\frac{13}{x}\right)$. Find $f'(x)$. Hint: Start by rewriting f using a rule of logarithms.

$$f(x) = 12 \ln\left(\frac{13}{x}\right) = 12(\ln(13) - \ln(x)) \quad \begin{aligned} \ln\left(\frac{a}{b}\right) &= \ln(a) - \ln(b) \\ &= 12 \ln(13) - 12 \ln(x) \end{aligned}$$

So $f'(x) = \frac{d}{dx} 12 \ln(13) - \frac{d}{dx} 12 \ln(x)$

$\frac{d}{dx} \ln(13)$ is a constant

$$= 0 - \frac{12}{x} \quad \text{results from yesterday}$$

$$f'(x) = -\frac{12}{x}$$

(B) Let $f(x) = 12 \ln(x^{13})$. Find $f'(x)$. Hint: Start by rewriting f using a rule of logarithms.

$$\ln(a^b) = b \ln(a)$$

$$f(x) = 12 \ln(x^{13}) = 12 \cdot 13 \cdot \ln(x)$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{d}{dx} (12 \cdot 13 \cdot \ln(x)) = 12 \cdot 13 \cdot \frac{d \ln(x)}{dx} = 12 \cdot 13 \cdot \frac{1}{x}$$

$$= \frac{12 \cdot 13}{x}$$

(C) Let $f(x) = 12x \ln(13)$. Find $f'(x)$.Start by rewriting $f(x)$ with constants in front.

$$f(x) = 12x \ln(13) = 12 \ln(13) \cdot x$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{d}{dx} (12 \ln(13) \cdot x) = 12 \ln(13) \cdot \frac{d}{dx} x$$

$$= 12 \ln(13) \cdot 1$$

$$= 12 \ln(13)$$

Question (D) is on back. ➔

(3)

(D) The goal is to find the equation of the line tangent to the graph of the function

$$f(x) = 5 + \ln(x^3)$$

at the point where $x = e^2$.

Remember that the approach is to build the general form of the equation for the tangent line (in point-slope form):

$$(y - f(a)) = f'(a) \cdot (x - a)$$

Part I Get Parts

Identify the number a .

$$a = e^2 \quad (\text{this is the } x\text{-coord of the point of tangency})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Find } f(a). \quad f(a) &= f(e^2) = 5 + \ln((e^2)^3) \\ &= 5 + \ln(e^6) \\ &= 5 + 6 = 11 \end{aligned}$$

Find $f'(x)$. Hint: Start by rewriting f using a rule of logarithms.

this is the y -coord of the point of tangency.

$$\text{rewrite } f(x) = 5 + \ln(x^3) = 5 + 3 \ln(x)$$

$$\text{then } f'(x) = \frac{d}{dx} 5 + \frac{d}{dx} 3 \ln(x) = 0 + \frac{3}{x} = \frac{3}{x} = f'(x)$$

$$\text{Find } f'(a). \quad f'(a) = f'(e^2) = \frac{3}{e^2} = \text{slope of the tangent line}$$

Part II Substitute Parts Into the Equation

Substitute the parts that you have found into the tangent line equation. Then convert your equation to slope intercept form.

$$(y - 11) = \left(\frac{3}{e^2}\right)(x - e^2)$$

$$y - 11 = \left(\frac{3}{e^2}\right)x - \left(\frac{3}{e^2}\right)e^2 \quad \text{these cancel}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y - 11 &= \left(\frac{3}{e^2}\right)x - 3 \\ y &= \left(\frac{3}{e^2}\right)x + 8 \end{aligned}$$

this is in the form $y = mx + b$

Section 4-3 The Product Rule & The Quotient Rule

The Product Rule

This rule is used for taking the derivative of a product of functions.

$$f(x) \cdot g(x)$$

~~Note: The "obvious thing" would be~~

~~$$\frac{d}{dx}(f(x) \cdot g(x)) = f'(x) \cdot g'(x)$$~~

~~The obvious thing is wrong~~

The product rule:

$$\frac{d}{dx}(f(x) \cdot g(x)) = f'(x) \cdot g(x) + f(x) \cdot g'(x)$$

Apply this rule

Example (4-3 #13) $f(x) = (-3x^2 + 5x - 7) \cdot (3x - 2)$ find $f'(x)$.
using Product Rule. Don't simplify.

Solution:

$$f'(x) = \left(\frac{d}{dx} -3x^2 + 5x - 7 \right) \cdot (3x - 2) + (-3x^2 + 5x - 7) \cdot \left(\frac{d}{dx} 3x - 2 \right)$$

↑
Product rule

$$= (-6x + 5 + 0) \cdot (3x - 2) + (-3x^2 + 5x - 7) \cdot (3 + 0)$$

(Don't simplify)

Example (4-3 #47) $f(x) = (-3x^2 + 5x - 7) \cdot e^{(x)}$. Find $f'(x)$ and simplify.

Solution

$$f'(x) = \left(\frac{d}{dx} -3x^2 + 5x - 7 \right) \cdot e^{(x)} + (-3x^2 + 5x - 7) \cdot \left(\frac{d}{dx} e^{(x)} \right)$$

$$= (-6x + 5) \cdot e^{(x)} + (-3x^2 + 5x - 7) \cdot (e^{(x)})$$

Factor out $e^{(x)}$

$$= (-6x + 5 - 3x^2 + 5x - 7) e^{(x)}$$

$$f(x) = (-3x^2 - x - 2) \cdot e^{(x)}$$

Example (4-3 #11) $f(x) = 5x^7 \ln(x)$

(A) Find $f'(x)$ and simplify.

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \left(\frac{d}{dx} 5x^7\right) \cdot \ln(x) + (5x^7) \cdot \left(\frac{d}{dx} \ln(x)\right) \\ &= (35x^6) \cdot \ln(x) + (5x^7) \left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \\ &= 35x^6 \ln(x) + 5x^6 \end{aligned}$$

factor out $5x^6$

$$f'(x) = 5x^6 (7 \ln(x) + 1)$$

(B) Find $f'(1)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Solution: } f'(1) &= 5 \cdot (1)^6 (7 \ln(1) + 1) \\ &= 5 \cdot 1 (7 \cdot 0 + 1) = 5(1) = 5 \end{aligned}$$

(c) Find $f'(e)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Solution } f'(e) &= 5 \cdot e^6 (7 \ln(e) + 1) \\
 &= 5e^6 (7 \cdot 1 + 1) \\
 &= 5e^6 (7 + 1) \\
 &= 5e^6 (8) \\
 &= 40e^6
 \end{aligned}$$

The Quotient Rule used for taking the derivatives of quotients.

functions of the form

$$\frac{\text{top}(x)}{\text{bottom}(x)}$$

The "obvious thing" would be

$$\frac{d}{dx} \frac{\text{top}(x)}{\text{bottom}(x)} = \frac{\text{top}'(x)}{\text{bottom}'(x)}$$

The "obvious thing" is wrong!

The quotient Rule

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\text{top}(x)}{\text{bottom}(x)} \right) = \frac{\text{top}'(x) \cdot \text{bottom}(x) - \text{top}(x) \cdot \text{bottom}'(x)}{(\text{bottom}(x))^2}$$

Example 4-3 #1

$$f(x) = \frac{5x^2 + 7}{2x - 3} \quad \text{find } f'(x) \text{ and simplify}$$

$$\underline{\text{Solution}} \quad f'(x) = \frac{\left(\frac{d}{dx} 5x^2 + 7 \right) \cdot (2x - 3) - (5x^2 + 7) \left(\frac{d}{dx} 2x - 3 \right)}{(2x - 3)^2}$$

$$= \frac{(10x)(2x-3) - (5x^2+7)(2)}{(2x-3)^2}$$

$$= \frac{20x^2 - 30x - 10x^2 - 14}{(2x-3)^2} \quad \text{Combine}$$

$$= \frac{10x^2 - 30x - 14}{(2x-3)^2}$$

Example $f(x) = \frac{e^{(x)}}{3x^2-5}$ find $f'(x)$ and simplify,

Solution $f'(x) = \frac{\left(\frac{d}{dx} e^x\right) \cdot (3x^2-5) - e^{(x)} \cdot \left(\frac{d}{dx} (3x^2-5)\right)}{(3x^2-5)^2}$

$$= \frac{(e^{(x)}) \cdot (3x^2-5) - e^{(x)}(6x)}{(3x^2-5)^2}$$

Simplify by factoring out $e^{(x)}$ in numerator.

$$f'(x) = \frac{e^x(3x^2 - 5 - 6x)}{(3x^2 - 5)^2}$$

Now Do Class Drill 6 in Course Packet

The moral of Class Drill 6

- If you have a product where one of the factors is a constant, you don't need the product rule.
- If you have a quotient with a constant denominator, then you don't need the quotient rule.

Use the constant multiple rule in these cases.

Class Drill 6: Don't Forget the Easy Derivative Rules

[1] Let $f(x) = 7(x^2 + 3x + 5)$

(A) Find $f'(x)$, using the Product Rule to deal with the 7 in front.

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \left(\frac{d}{dx} 7\right) \cdot (x^2 + 3x + 5) + 7 \left(\frac{d}{dx} x^2 + 3x + 5\right) \\ &= (0) \cdot (x^2 + 3x + 5) + 7(2x + 3) \\ &= 14x + 21 \end{aligned}$$

(B) Start over. Find $f'(x)$ again, this time using the Constant Multiple Rule to deal with the 7 in front.

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= 7 \frac{d}{dx} (x^2 + 3x + 5) \\ &= 7(2x + 3) \\ &= 14x + 21 \end{aligned}$$

[2] Let $f(x) = \frac{(x^2 + 3x + 5)}{7}$

(A) Find $f'(x)$, using the Quotient Rule to deal with the fraction.

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{\left(\frac{d}{dx} x^2 + 3x + 5\right) \cdot 7 - (x^2 + 3x + 5) \left(\frac{d}{dx} 7\right)}{7^2} \\ &= \frac{(2x + 3) \cdot 7 - (x^2 + 3x + 5)(0)}{7^2} \quad \text{zero} \\ &= \frac{(2x + 3) \cdot 7}{7^2} = \frac{2x + 3}{7} \end{aligned}$$

(B) Start over. Find $f'(x)$ again, but this time do not use the Quotient Rule. Instead, start by rewriting f as a constant times a term in parentheses. Then use the Constant Multiple rule

$$\text{Rewrite } f(x) = \frac{(x^2 + 3x + 5)}{7} = \left(\frac{1}{7}\right)(x^2 + 3x + 5)$$

$$\text{then } f'(x) = \left(\frac{1}{7}\right) \left(\frac{d}{dx} x^2 + 3x + 5\right) = \left(\frac{1}{7}\right) \cdot (2x + 3)$$