

4.1 Exponential and Log Derivatives

Calculus

Name: Solutions

Practice

Find the derivative of each function.

1. $f(x) = e^{2x^2}$

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

$$f'(x) = 4x e^{2x^2}$$

2. $f(x) = e^{x^4}$

$$f'(x) = 4x^3 e^{x^4}$$

3. $f(x) = \ln(2x^3)$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2x^3} \cdot 6x^2$$

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

$$f'(x) = \frac{3}{x}$$

4. $f(x) = \ln(x - 5x^5)$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1-25x^4}{x-5x^5}$$

5. $f(x) = e^{\cos(7x^3)}$

$$f'(x) = e^{\cos(7x^3)} \cdot (-\sin(7x^3)) \cdot 21x^2$$

$$f'(x) = -21x^2 \sin(7x^3) e^{\cos(7x^3)}$$

6. $f(x) = e^{\sin(5x^9)}$

$$f'(x) = 45x^8 \cos(5x^9) e^{\sin(5x^9)}$$

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

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{x^6+5} \cdot (6x^5)$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{6x^5}{x^6+5}$$

8. $f(x) = \ln(2x\sqrt{1+x})$

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

or

$$f'(x) = \frac{3x+2}{2x^2+2x}$$

9. $f(x) = 8^{\cos x}$

$$f'(x) = 8^{\cos x} \ln(8) \cdot (-\sin x)$$

$$f'(x) = -\sin x \ln(8) 8^{\cos x}$$

10. $f(x) = e^x \sin x$

$$f'(x) = (\sin x + x \cos x) e^{x \sin x}$$

11. $f(x) = \log_7(x^4)$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{x^4} \cdot \frac{1}{\ln 7} \cdot 4x^3$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{4}{x \ln 7}$$

12. $f(x) = \ln x \log x$

$$f'(x) = \frac{2 \log x}{x}$$

Hint: $\frac{\ln x}{\ln 10} = \log x$

13. $f(x) = \ln(\sin 4x) - x^4$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{\sin(4x)} \cdot \cos(4x) \cdot 4 - 4x^3$$

$$f'(x) = 4 \cot(4x) - 4x^3$$

14. $f(x) = e^{\pi x} - \ln(e^{\pi x})$

$$f'(x) = \pi e^{\pi x} - \pi$$

15. $f(x) = e^{-5x} \cos 2x$

$$f'(x) = -\frac{5 \cos 2x + 2 \sin 2x}{e^{5x}}$$

16. $f(x) = \frac{e^{\tan 3x}}{3}$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{3} e^{\tan 3x}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{3} e^{\tan 3x} \cdot \sec^2 3x \cdot 3$$

$$f'(x) = e^{\tan 3x} \cdot \sec^2 3x$$

17. $f(x) = 2^{\tan x}$

$$f'(x) = 2^{\tan x} \ln(2) \sec^2 x$$

18. $f(x) = \log \sqrt{10^{5x}}$

If you use properties of logs first, this problem is much easier!

$$\log_{10} 10^{\frac{5x}{2}}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{5}{2}$$

19. $f(x) = \frac{x}{e^{3x}}$

$$f'(x) = \frac{(1)e^{3x} - x e^{3x} \cdot 3}{e^{6x}}$$

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

$$f'(x) = \frac{e^{3x}(1 - 3x)}{e^{6x}}$$

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

20. $f(x) = x^7 7^x$

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

21. $f(x) = \ln 11^x$

Apply properties of logarithms first!

$$f(x) = x \ln 11$$

Now take the derivative.

$$f'(x) = \ln 11$$

22. $f(x) = e^{2x} - 2^{ex}$

$$f'(x) = 2e^{2x} - e^{ex} 2^e$$

23. $f(x) = \cos(\ln(2x^2))$

$$f'(x) = -\sin(\ln(2x^2)) \cdot \frac{1}{2x^2} \cdot 4x$$

$$f'(x) = -\frac{2}{x} \sin(\ln(2x^2))$$

24. If $f(x) = e^{x^2}$, what is the equation of the tangent line at $x = 1$.

$$y - e = 2e(x - 1)$$

or

$$y = 2ex - e$$

25. At what coordinate point(s) is the tangent line of $f(x) = \ln(x^3)$ parallel to $y = 7 + 2x$.

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

$$f'(x) = \frac{3}{x}$$

$$f'(\frac{3}{2}) = \ln(\frac{27}{8})$$

$$(\frac{3}{2}, \ln(\frac{27}{8}))$$

26. $f(x) = \ln(x^2)$ on the interval $1 < x < e$. On this interval, when will the average rate of change equal the instantaneous rate of change. [This is applying the Mean Value Theorem]

$$\boxed{\text{At } x = e - 1}$$

27. Find the values of x where the tangent to the graph of $y = e^{2x}$ is parallel to $12x - 2y = 6$

$$y' = 2e^{2x}$$

$$2e^{2x} = 6$$

$$e^{2x} = 3$$

$$\ln(e^{2x}) = \ln 3$$

$$2x = \ln 3$$

$$X = \frac{\ln 3}{2}$$

$$-2y = -12x + 6$$

$$y = 6x - 3$$

Slope

28. Find the values of x where the tangent to the graph of $y = \frac{1}{e^{3x}}$ is parallel to $5x + y = 109$

$$X = \frac{\ln 5}{-3}$$

Test Prep: 1A, 2A, 3C, 4B, 5C

Free Response Scoring Guide

Use this only AFTER you have attempted the problem on your own.

Solutions

Points

(a) $a(4) = v'(4) = \frac{5}{7}$

1 : answer

(b) $v(t) = 0$

$$t^2 - 3t + 3 = 1$$

$$t^2 - 3t + 2 = 0$$

$$(t-2)(t-1) = 0$$

$$t = 1, 2$$

$$v(t) > 0 \text{ for } 0 < t < 1$$

$$v(t) < 0 \text{ for } 1 < t < 2$$

$$v(t) > 0 \text{ for } 2 < t < 5$$

3 : $\begin{cases} 1 : \text{sets } v(t) = 0 \\ 1 : \text{direction change at } t = 1, 2 \\ 1 : \text{interval with reason} \end{cases}$

The particle changes direction when $t = 1$ and $t = 2$.

The particle travels to the left when $1 < t < 2$.