

2.8 The Product Rule

Calculus

Solutions

Practice

Find the derivative of each function.

1. $f(x) = (2x - 3) \sin x$

$$f'(x) = 2\sin x + (2x - 3)\cos x$$

2. $g(x) = 2x^3 e^x$

$$g'(x) = 6x^2 e^x + 2x^3 e^x$$

3. $h(x) = 4\sqrt{x} \ln x$

$$\begin{aligned} h'(x) &= 4\left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}\right)\ln x + \frac{4\sqrt{x}}{x} \\ h'(x) &= \frac{2}{\sqrt{x}} \left(\ln x + \frac{4}{\sqrt{x}}\right) \\ h'(x) &= \frac{2\ln x + 4}{\sqrt{x}} \end{aligned}$$

4. $f(x) = (4 - 5x) \cos x$

$$f'(x) = (-5)\cos x + (4 - 5x)(-\sin x)$$

$$f'(x) = -5\cos x - (4 - 5x)\sin x$$

5. $g(x) = 6 \ln x \sin x$

$$g'(x) = \frac{6}{x} \sin x + 6 \ln x \cos x$$

6. $h(x) = 2e^x(x^2 + x)$

$$\begin{aligned} h'(x) &= 2e^x(x^2 + x) + 2e^x(2x + 1) \\ &\text{could factor out } 2e^x \\ &2e^x[(x^2 + x) + (2x + 1)] \\ h'(x) &= 2e^x(x^2 + 3x + 1) \end{aligned}$$

7. $f(x) = 8 \sin x \cos x$

$$f'(x) = 8(\cos x \cos x + 8 \sin x (-\sin x))$$

$$f'(x) = 8(\cos^2 x - 8 \sin^2 x)$$

8. $g(x) = \frac{3}{x} \ln x$

$$g'(x) = -\frac{3}{x^2} \ln x + \frac{3}{x} \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$$

$$g'(x) = \frac{-3 \ln x + 3}{x^2}$$

9. $h(x) = 2x^5 \cos x$

$$h'(x) = 10x^4(\cos x + 2x^5(-\sin x))$$

$$h'(x) = 10x^4(\cos x - 2x^5 \sin x)$$

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

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

Use the table to find the value of the derivatives of each function.

11.

x	$f(x)$	$f'(x)$	$g(x)$	$g'(x)$
7	-5	3	2	-3

Use

11.

a. $h(t) = f(x)g(x)$
Find $h'(7)$.

$$\begin{aligned} h' &= f'g + fg' \\ h'(7) &= (3)(2) + (-5)(-3) \\ &6 + 15 \end{aligned}$$

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b. $m(x) = 5f(x)g(x)$
Find $m'(7)$.

$$\begin{aligned} m' &= 5f'g + 5fg' \\ m'(7) &= 5(3)(2) + 5(-5)(-3) \\ &30 + 75 \end{aligned}$$

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c. $s(x) = (3f(x) - 1)(g(x) + 2)$
Find $s'(7)$.

$$\begin{aligned} s' &= (3f')(g+2) + (3f-1)(g') \\ s'(7) &= (9)(2+2) + (-15-1)(-3) \\ &36 + 48 \end{aligned}$$

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12.

t	$a(t)$	$a'(t)$	$b(t)$	$b'(t)$
-4	2	-3	-4	1

a. $f(t) = a(t)b(t)$
Find $f'(-4)$.

$$\begin{aligned} f'(t) &= a'b + ab' \\ f'(-4) &= (-3)(-4) + (2)(1) \\ &12 + 2 \end{aligned}$$

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b. $g(t) = -3a(t)b(t)$
Find $g'(-4)$.

$$\begin{aligned} g'(t) &= -3a'b + -3ab' \\ g'(-4) &= -3(-3)(-4) - 3(2)(1) \\ &-36 - 6 \end{aligned}$$

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c. $h(t) = (1 - a(t))(3b(t) + 2)$
Find $h'(-4)$.

$$\begin{aligned} h' &= (-a')(3b+2) + (1-a)(3b') \\ h'(-4) &= (3)(-12+2) + (1-2)(3) \\ &-30 - 3 \end{aligned}$$

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13.

x	$d(x)$	$d'(x)$	$h(x)$	$h'(x)$
1	-3	-2	4	3

a. $a(t) = d(x)h(x)$

Find $a'(1)$.

$$a' = d'h + dh'$$

$$a'(1) = (-2)(4) + (-3)(3)$$

$$-8 - 9$$

$$\boxed{-17}$$

b. $b(x) = -d(x)h(x)$

Find $b'(1)$.

$$b' = -d'h - dh'$$

$$b'(1) = (2)(4) - (-3)(3)$$

$$8 + 9$$

$$\boxed{17}$$

c. $c(x) = \left(2 - \frac{d(x)}{2}\right)(6 - h(x))$

Find $c'(1)$.

$$c' = \left(-\frac{1}{2}d'\right)(6-h) + \left(2 - \frac{d}{2}\right)(-h')$$

$$c'(1) = (1)(6-4) + (2 - \frac{3}{2})(-3)$$

$$2 - \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\boxed{-\frac{17}{2}}$$

Find the equation of the tangent line at the given x -value.

14. $f(x) = 8 \sin x \cos x$ at $x = \frac{\pi}{3}$

$$f(\frac{\pi}{3}) = 8 \sin(\frac{\pi}{3}) \cos(\frac{\pi}{3}) = 8(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2})(\frac{1}{2}) = \boxed{2\sqrt{3}}$$

$$f'(x) = 8 \cos x \cos x + 8 \sin x (-\sin x)$$

$$f'(x) = 8 \cos^2 x - 8 \sin^2 x$$

$$f'(\frac{\pi}{3}) = 8(\frac{1}{2}) - 8(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2})^2 = 8(\frac{1}{4}) - 8(\frac{3}{4}) = \boxed{-4}$$

$$y - 2\sqrt{3} = -4(x - \frac{\pi}{3})$$

15. $g(x) = -2xe^x$ at $x = 0$

$$g(0) = -2(0)e^0 = 0 \quad \text{← } y$$

$$g'(x) = -2e^x + -2x e^x$$

$$g'(0) = -2e^0 + -2(0)(e^0) = -2 \quad \text{← } m$$

$$\boxed{y = -2x}$$

Test Prep

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16. Let f be a differentiable function with $f(2) = 7$ and $f'(2) = -2$. Let g be the function defined by $g(x) = x^2 f(x)$. Which of the following is an equation of the line tangent to the graph of g at $x = 2$?

$$g'(x) = 2x f(x) + x^2 f'(x)$$

$$g'(2) = 2(2)f(2) + 2^2 f'(2)$$

$$= 4(7) + 4(-2) = \boxed{20}$$

$$g(2) = 2^2 f(2)$$

$$= 4(7)$$

$$= \boxed{28} \quad \text{← } y$$

B

(A) $y - 7 = -2(x - 2)$

(B) $y - 28 = 20(x - 2)$

(C) $y = 7(x - 2)$

(D) $y - 7 = 20(x - 2)$

(E) $y - 28 = -2(x - 2)$

17. The figure to the right shows the graph of f' , the derivative of f . The function f is twice differentiable with 17
 $f(3) = -1$.

Let g be the function defined by $g(x) = 4xf(x)$. Find an equation for the line tangent to the graph of g at $x = 3$.

$$g(3) = 4(3)f(3)$$

$$= 12(-1)$$

$$= \boxed{-12} \quad \text{← } y$$

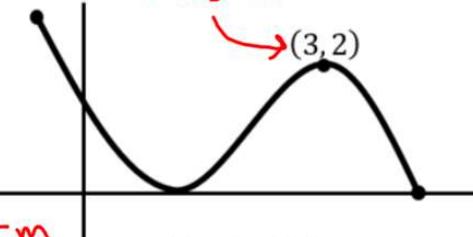
$$g' = 4f + 4x f'$$

$$g'(3) = 4(-1) + 4(3)(2)$$

$$= -4 + 24 = \boxed{20} \quad \text{← } m$$

$$\boxed{y + 12 = 20(x - 3)}$$

$$f'(3) = 2$$

 $(3, 2)$ Graph of f'

18. The graphs of f and g are shown to the right. If $h(x) = 4f(x)g(x)$, then $h'(1) =$

(A) -22

(B) -4

(C) 0

(D) 4

(E) 46

$$g'(x) = 2 \quad f'(x) = -\frac{1}{2}$$

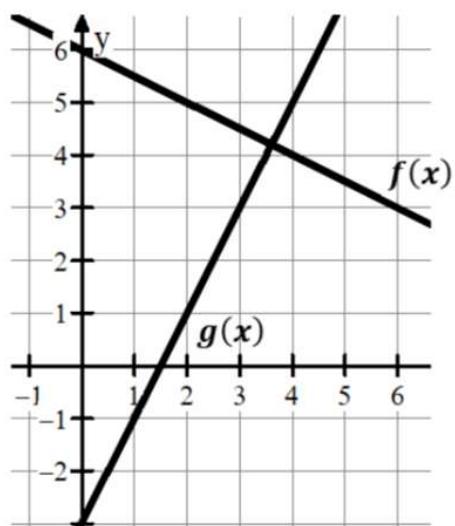
$$h' = 4f'g + 4fg'$$

$$h'(1) = 4f'(1)g(1) + 4f(1)g'(1)$$

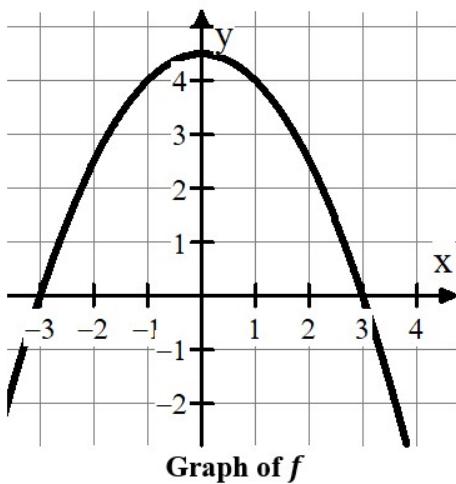
$$= 4\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)(-1) + 4(5.5)(2)$$

$$2 + 44$$

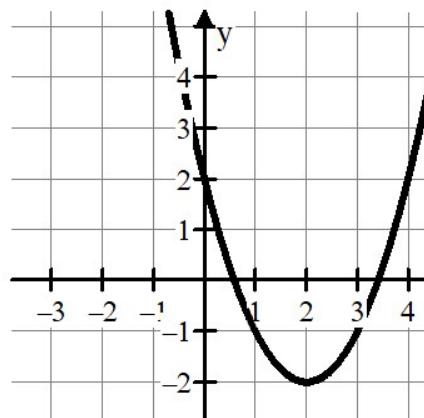
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19. The graphs of two differentiable functions f and g are shown below.



Graph of f



Graph of g

Given $h(x) = f(x)g(x)$, which of the following statements about $h'(3)$ is true?

$$h' = g'f + gf'$$

C

$$h'(3) = (\text{negative})(\text{negative}) + (\text{positive})(\text{positive})$$

$$h'(3) = \text{positive number}$$

(A) $h'(3) < 0$

(B) $h'(3) = 0$

(C) $h'(3) > 0$

(D) $h'(3)$ is undefined

(E) There is not enough information given to conclude anything about $h'(3)$