

Example: Find the derivative of $y = (x^2 + 5)^{20}$

Chain Rule

If $y = f(u)$ and $u = g(x)$ define the function

$y = f(g(x))$ then

$$\frac{dy}{dx} =$$

General Power Rule

$$y = [f(x)]^n$$

Example: Find the derivatives of these functions. Do not simplify.

A) $y = (x^3 + 2x + 6)^5$

B) $y = \sqrt{x^5 + 6}$

C) $y = (x^2 + 5)^3(x^5 + 7)^4$

$$D) y = \frac{x^4 + 7}{(x^5 + 1)^3}$$

Exponential Rules

$$y = e^{f(x)}$$

$$y = a^{f(x)}$$

Example: Find the derivatives of these functions. Do not simplify.

$$A) y = e^{x^4}$$

$$B) y = 5^{x^3+1}$$

$$C) y = x^2 + e^{3x}$$

$$D) y = x^2 + 3^{5x}$$

Example: Find the values of x where the tangent line is horizontal.

$$y = \frac{e^{6x}e^{x^2}}{e^{3x-5}}$$

Logarithm Rules

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

$$y = \log_b(f(x))$$

Example: Find the derivatives of these functions. Do not simplify.

A) $y = \ln(x^2 + 5)$

B) $y = \log_3(x^5 + 5x + 1)$

C) $y = \ln(20x^4)$

D) $y = [\log_4(x^2)]^5$

E) $y = \ln(\sqrt{x^5 + 3})$

F) $y = \ln[(x^3 + 7)^4(x^2 + 4)^5]$

Combining Rules

Example: Find the derivatives of these functions. Do not simplify after taking the derivative.

$$\text{A) } y = \frac{x^4}{7^{2x}}$$

$$\text{B) } y = \left(\frac{x^4 + 3}{x^3 + 1} \right)^9$$

$$\text{C) } y = \sqrt[3]{x^2 + \sqrt{2x}}$$

Example: Suppose that $C(50) = \$5$ and $C'(50) = \$5/\text{item}$.

A) Compute $\bar{C}'(50)$.

B) Estimate the average cost of 51 items.

Example: Find the x-values where the slope of the tangent line is zero.

$$y = (x + 1)^3(x - 4)^4$$

Example: Find the x-values where the slope of the tangent line is zero.

$$y = \frac{x^2 - 25}{x^2 - 9}$$

Example: If you know that $g(5) = -4$ and $g'(5) = 3$, compute $H'(2)$.

$$H(x) = x^3 * g(x^2 + 1)$$