

WORKSHEET 2 SOLUTIONS

6. Derive the quotient rule

$$\left[\frac{f(x)}{g(x)}\right]' = \frac{g(x)f'(x) - f(x)g'(x)}{g(x)^2}$$

from the chain rule and the product rule.

Write $\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = f(x)g(x)^{-1}$. Then the product rule tells us that

$$[f(x)g(x)^{-1}] = [f(x)][g(x)^{-1}] + [f(x)][g(x)^{-1}]'$$

Now apply the power rule and chain rule on $[g(x)^{-1}]'$, we get that

$$\begin{aligned}[f(x)g(x)^{-1}]' &= f'(x)g(x)^{-1} + f(x)[-g(x)^{-2} \cdot g'(x)] \\&= \frac{f'(x)}{g(x)} + \frac{-f(x)g'(x)}{g(x)^2} \\&= \frac{f'(x)g(x)}{g(x)^2} - \frac{f(x)g'(x)}{g(x)^2} \\&= \frac{f'(x)g(x) - f(x)g'(x)}{g(x)^2}.\end{aligned}$$

This proves the statement.

1. $f(x) = (3x + 1)^2$

$$\begin{aligned}f'(x) &= 2(3x + 1)^1 \cdot (3x + 1)' \\&= 2(3x + 1) \cdot 3 \\&= 6(3x + 1)\end{aligned}$$

2. $f(x) = \sqrt{13x^2 - 5x + 8} = (13x^2 - 5x + 8)^{\frac{1}{2}}$

$$\begin{aligned}f'(x) &= \frac{1}{2}(13x^2 - 5x + 8)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \cdot (13x^2 - 5x + 8)' \\&= \frac{1}{2}(13x^2 - 5x + 8)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \cdot (13 \cdot 2x - 5) \\&= \frac{1}{2}(13x^2 - 5x + 8)^{-\frac{1}{2}} (26x - 5)\end{aligned}$$

3. $f(x) = (1 - 4x + 7x^5)^{30}$

$$\begin{aligned}f'(x) &= 30(1 - 4x + 7x^5) \cdot (1 - 4x + 7x^5)' \\&= 30(1 - 4x + 7x^5) \cdot (0 - 5 + 7 \cdot 5x^4) \\&= 30(1 - 4x + 7x^5)(-5 + 35x^4)\end{aligned}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned}f'(x) &= \frac{1}{3}(4x + x^{-5})^{-\frac{2}{3}} \cdot (4x + x^{-5})' \\&= \frac{1}{3}(4x + x^{-5})^{-\frac{2}{3}} (4 - 5x^{-6})\end{aligned}$$

$$5. f(x) = \left(\frac{8x-x^6}{x^3}\right)^{\frac{-4}{5}} = (8x^{-2} - x^3)^{\frac{-4}{5}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{-4}{5}(8x^{-2} - x^3)^{\frac{-4}{5}-1} \cdot (8x^{-2} - x^3)' \\ &= \frac{-4}{5}(8x^{-2} - x^3)^{\frac{-9}{5}} \cdot (8 \cdot -2x^{-3} - 3x^2) \\ &= \frac{-4}{5}(8x^{-2} - x^3)^{\frac{-9}{5}}(-16x^{-3} - 3x^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$6. f(x) = \sin(5x)$$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \cos(5x) \cdot (5x)' \\ &= \cos(5x) \cdot 5 \\ &= 5 \cos(5x) \end{aligned}$$

$$7. f(x) = e^{5x^2+7x-13}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= e^{5x^2+7x-13} \cdot (5x^2 + 7x - 13)' \\ &= e^{5x^2+7x-13} \cdot (5 \cdot 2x + 7) \\ &= e^{5x^2+7x-13}(10x + 7) \end{aligned}$$

$$8. f(x) = 2^{\cot x}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= (\ln 2)2^{\cot x} \cdot (\cot x)' \\ &= (\ln 2)2^{\cot x} \cdot (-\csc^2 x) \end{aligned}$$

$$9. f(x) = 3 \tan \sqrt{x}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= 3(\sec^2 \sqrt{x})(\sqrt{x})' \\ &= 3(\sec^2 \sqrt{x})(x^{\frac{1}{2}})' \\ &= 3(\sec^2 \sqrt{x})\left(\frac{1}{2}x^{-\frac{1}{2}}\right) \\ &= \frac{3}{2}(\sec^2 \sqrt{x})x^{-\frac{1}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

$$10. f(x) = \ln(17 - x)$$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{1}{17-x} \cdot (17-x)' \\ &= \frac{1}{17-x}(0-1) \\ &= \frac{-1}{17-x} \end{aligned}$$

$$11. f(x) = \ln(4 + \cos x)$$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{1}{4 + \cos x} \cdot (4 + \cos x)' \\ &= \frac{1}{4 + \cos x}(-\sin x) \\ &= \frac{-\sin x}{4 + \cos x} \end{aligned}$$

(You might need to apply chain rule more than once for the problems below.)

12. $f(x) = \cos^2(x^3) = [\cos(x^3)]^2$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= 2 \cos(x^3) \cdot (\cos(x^3))' \\ &= 2 \cos(x^3)(-\sin(x^3)) \cdot (x^3)' \\ &= 2 \cos(x^3)(-\sin(x^3))(3x^2) \\ &= -6x^2 \cos x^3 \sin x^3 \end{aligned}$$

13. $f(x) = \frac{1}{5} \sec^{-4}(4 + x^3) = \frac{1}{5} [\sec(4 + x^3)]^{-5}$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{1}{5} \cdot -5 [\sec(4 + x^3)]^{-6} \cdot (\sec(4 + x^3))' \\ &= -\sec^{-6}(4 + x^3) \cdot \sec(4 + x^3) \tan(4 + x^3) \cdot (4 + x^3)' \\ &= -\sec^{-6}(4 + x^3) \cdot \sec(4 + x^3) \tan(4 + x^3) \cdot 3x^2 \end{aligned}$$

14. $f(x) = \ln(\cos^5(3x^4))$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{1}{\cos^5(3x^4)} \cdot (\cos^5(3x^4))' \\ &= \frac{1}{\cos^5(3x^4)} \cdot ([\cos(3x^4)]^5)' \\ &= \frac{1}{\cos^5(3x^4)} \cdot 5(\cos(3x^4))^4 \cdot (\cos(3x^4))' \\ &= \frac{5 \cos^4(3x^4)}{\cos^5(3x^4)} \cdot (-\sin(3x^4)) \cdot (3x^4)' \\ &= \frac{-5 \sin(3x^4)}{\cos(3x^4)} \cdot 3 \cdot 4x^3 \\ &= \frac{-60x^3 \sin(3x^4)}{\cos(3x^4)} \end{aligned}$$

A smarter way to do this: Write $f(x) = \ln([\cos(3x^4)]^5) = 5 \ln(\cos(3x^4))$. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= 5 \cdot \frac{1}{\cos(3x^4)} \cdot (\cos(3x^4))' \\ &= \frac{5}{\cos(3x^4)} \cdot (-\sin(3x^4)) \cdot (3x^4)' \\ &= \frac{-5 \sin(3x^4)}{\cos(3x^4)} \cdot 3(4x^3) \\ &= \frac{-60x^3 \sin(3x^4)}{\cos(3x^4)} \end{aligned}$$

15. $f(x) = \sqrt{\sin(7x + \ln(5x))} = (\sin(7x + \ln(5x)))^{\frac{1}{2}}$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{1}{2} (\sin(7x + \ln(5x)))^{\frac{-1}{2}} \cdot [\sin(7x + \ln(5x))]' \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (\sin(7x + \ln(5x)))^{\frac{-1}{2}} \cdot \cos(7x + \ln(5x)) \cdot (7x + \ln 5x)' \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (\sin(7x + \ln(5x)))^{\frac{-1}{2}} \cdot \cos(7x + \ln(5x)) \cdot (7 + \frac{1}{5x} \cdot (5x)') \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (\sin(7x + \ln(5x)))^{\frac{-1}{2}} \cdot \cos(7x + \ln(5x)) \cdot (7 + \frac{1}{5x} \cdot 5) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (\sin(7x + \ln(5x)))^{\frac{-1}{2}} \cdot \cos(7x + \ln(5x)) \cdot (7 + \frac{1}{x}) \end{aligned}$$

(You might need to apply the product rule on top of the chain rule for the problems below.)

16. $f(x) = \sqrt{\sin(2x) \cdot e^{2x}} = (\sin(2x)e^{2x})^{\frac{1}{2}}$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{1}{2}(\sin(2x)e^{2x})^{\frac{-1}{2}} \cdot (\sin(2x) \cdot e^{2x})' \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(\sin(2x)e^{2x})^{\frac{-1}{2}} \cdot [\sin(2x) \cdot (e^{2x})' + e^{2x} \cdot (\sin(2x))'] \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(\sin(2x)e^{2x})^{\frac{-1}{2}} \cdot [\sin(2x) \cdot e^{2x} \cdot (2x)' + e^{2x} \cdot \cos(2x) \cdot (2x)'] \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(\sin(2x)e^{2x})^{\frac{-1}{2}} \cdot [\sin(2x) \cdot e^{2x} \cdot 2 + e^{2x} \cdot (\cos 2x) \cdot 2] \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(\sin(2x)e^{2x})^{\frac{-1}{2}} \cdot [2\sin(2x)e^{2x} + 2e^{2x}(\cos 2x)] \\ &= (\sin(2x)e^{2x})^{\frac{-1}{2}} [\sin(2x)e^{2x} + e^{2x}(\cos 2x)] \end{aligned}$$

17. $f(x) = e^{\cos x} \cdot \tan(4x^2 - 1)$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= e^{\cos x}(\tan(4x^2 - 1))' + \tan(4x^2 - 1)(e^{\cos x})' \\ &= e^{\cos x}(\sec^2(4x^2 - 1))(4x^2 - 1)' + \tan(4x^2 - 1) \cdot e^{\cos x}(\cos x)' \\ &= e^{\cos x}(\sec^2(4x^2 - 1))4 \cdot 2x + \tan(4x^2 - 1) \cdot e^{\cos x}(-\sin x) \\ &= 8xe^{\cos x}\sec^2(4x^2 - 1) - e^{\cos x}\sin x \tan(4x^2 - 1) \end{aligned}$$

18. $f(x) = \ln(e^{2x^2+1}(-x^2 + 10x + 2)^7)$

Using logarithm rules, we can rewrite

$$f(x) = \ln(e^{2x^2+1}) + \ln(-x^2 + 10x + 2)^7 = 2x^2 + 1 + 7\ln(-x^2 + 10x + 1).$$

Now $f(x)$ is easy to differentiate:

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= 2(2x) + 0 + 7\left(\frac{1}{-x^2 + 10x + 1}\right) \cdot (-x^2 + 10x + 1)' \\ &= 4x + \frac{7}{-x^2 + 10x + 1}(-2x + 10) \\ &= 4x + \frac{-14x + 70}{-x^2 + 10x + 1} \end{aligned}$$