



SESSION 5: SECTIONS 2-5 AND 2-6 (IMPLICIT DIFFERENTIATION)

Specific Formulas for the Chain Rule

If g is a differentiable function, n is any real number, and b is any positive real number, then

- **Generalized Power Rule:** If $y = (g(x))^n$, then $y' = n(g(x))^{n-1} \cdot g'(x)$.
- **Generalized Exponential (base b) Rule:** If $y = b^{g(x)}$, then $y' = b^{g(x)}(\ln(b)) \cdot g'(x)$.
- **Generalized Logarithm (base b) Rule:** If $y = \log_b(g(x))$, then $y' = \frac{g'(x)}{(g(x))(\ln(b))}$.

1. Differentiate each of the following.

(a) $f(x) = (5x^4 + 3x^2 + x)^{20}$

$$f'(x) = 20(5x^4 + 3x^2 + x)^{19} \frac{d}{dx}(5x^4 + 3x^2 + x)$$

$$= 20(5x^4 + 3x^2 + x)^{19} (20x^3 + 6x + 1)$$

(b) $g(x) = e^{\sqrt{x} + x^2 - 5}$

$$g'(x) = (e^{\sqrt{x} + x^2 - 5}) \overset{=1}{(\ln e)} \frac{d}{dx}(\sqrt{x} + x^2 - 5)$$

$$= (e^{\sqrt{x} + x^2 - 5}) \left(\frac{1}{2} x^{-1/2} + 2x \right)$$

argument

(c) $t(x) = \log_5(2x^3 + e^x)$

$$t'(x) = \frac{\frac{d}{dx}(2x^3 + e^x)}{(2x^3 + e^x) \ln 5} = \frac{6x^2 + e^x}{(2x^3 + e^x) \ln 5}$$

(d) $f(x) = e^{e^{2x}}$

$$f'(x) = e^{e^{2x}} \overset{=1}{(\ln e)} \frac{d}{dx}(e^{2x})$$

$$= \underbrace{e^{e^{2x}}}_{\text{multiply like base, add exponents}} \cdot e^{2x} \cdot 2 = 2e^{e^{2x} + 2x}$$

(e) $y(x) = x^5 2^{x^2+5x} + e^{\pi^2}$ ← Constant

product rule

$$y'(x) = x^5 \frac{d}{dx} (2^{x^2+5x}) + 2^{x^2+5x} \frac{d}{dx} (x^5) + \frac{d}{dx} (e^{\pi^2})$$

$$= x^5 (2^{x^2+5x}) (2x+5) + 2^{x^2+5x} (5x^4) + 0$$

(f) $p(x) = \ln\left(\frac{2x^2+x}{x+1}\right)$

use property $\log_b\left(\frac{n}{m}\right) = \log_b n - \log_b m$

$$p(x) = \ln(2x^2+x) - \ln(x+1)$$

$$p'(x) = \frac{\frac{d}{dx}(2x^2+x)}{(2x^2+x) \ln e} - \frac{\frac{d}{dx}(x+1)}{(x+1) \ln e}$$

$$= \frac{4x+1}{2x^2+x} - \frac{1}{x+1}$$

(g) $f(x) = \frac{\log_5(3x^4+7x)}{\sqrt{2x^3}} = \frac{\log_5(3x^4+7x)}{(2x^3)^{1/2}}$

Quotient Rule

$$f'(x) = \frac{(2x^3)^{1/2} \frac{d}{dx} (\log_5(3x^4+7x)) - \log_5(3x^4+7x) \frac{d}{dx} (2x^3)^{1/2}}{((2x^3)^{1/2})^2}$$

$$= \frac{(2x^3)^{1/2} \left(\frac{12x^3+7}{(3x^4+7x) \ln 5} \right) - \log_5(3x^4+7x) \left(\frac{1}{2} (2x^3)^{-1/2} (6x^2) \right)}{2x^3}$$

(h) $p(x) = \left[\log_2(x^2 + e^{3x^2}) \right]^4$

$$p'(x) = 4 \left(\log_2(x^2 + e^{3x^2}) \right)^3 \left(\frac{\frac{d}{dx}(x^2 + e^{3x^2})}{(x^2 + e^{3x^2}) \ln 2} \right)$$

2. Find the x -values where the graph of $f(x) = x^3 e^{-x^2}$ has horizontal tangent lines.

$$\begin{aligned}
 f'(x) &= x^3 \frac{d}{dx} e^{-x^2} + \frac{d}{dx} x^3 \cdot e^{-x^2} \\
 &= x^3 (e^{-x^2})(-2x) + 3x^2 e^{-x^2} \\
 &= x^2 e^{-x^2} (-2x^2 + 3) \\
 0 &= x^2 e^{-x^2} (-2x^2 + 3)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 x^2 = 0 \\
 \boxed{x=0}
 \end{array}
 \quad
 \begin{array}{l}
 \cancel{e^{-x^2} = 0} \\
 \text{Never}
 \end{array}
 \quad
 \begin{array}{l}
 -2x^2 + 3 = 0 \\
 -2x^2 = -3 \\
 x^2 = \frac{3}{2}
 \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{x = \pm \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

3. Suppose $F(x) = g(f(x))$ and $f(2) = 3$, $f'(2) = -3$, $g(3) = 5$, and $g'(3) = 4$. Find $F'(2)$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 F'(x) &= g'(f(x)) f'(x) \\
 F'(2) &= g'(\underbrace{f(2)}_3) \underbrace{f'(2)}_{-3} \\
 &= \underbrace{g'(3)}_4 (-3) \\
 &= 4(-3) \\
 &= \boxed{-12}
 \end{aligned}$$

4. Determine an equation for the line tangent to $f(x) = \ln(3x)$ at $x = 2$.

$$f'(x) = \frac{3}{3x} = \frac{1}{x} \quad f'(2) = \frac{1}{2} \quad f(2) = \ln(6)$$

$$y - \ln(6) = \frac{1}{2}(x - 2)$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2}x - 1 + \ln 6$$

Steps for using implicit differentiation to find $\frac{dy}{dx}$.

Step 1: Substitute $y(x)$ because we are assuming y is a function of x .

Step 2: Take the derivative of both sides of the equation with respect to x .

Step 3: Substitute y back in for $y(x)$ and write $y'(x)$ as $\frac{dy}{dx}$.

Step 4: Solve for $\frac{dy}{dx}$.

5. Use implicit differentiation to find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ for each of the following.

(a) $-6e^y + \frac{1}{3}y^3 - 2\ln(x) = -8$

$$-6e^{y(x)} + \frac{1}{3}(y(x))^3 - 2\ln(x) = -8$$

$$-6e^{y(x)} y'(x) \ln e + (y(x))^2 y'(x) - \frac{2}{x} = 0$$

$$-6e^y \frac{dy}{dx} + y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2}{x}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} (-6e^y + y^2) = \frac{2}{x} \longrightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2}{x} \cdot \frac{1}{-6e^y + y^2} = \frac{2}{x(-6e^y + y^2)}$$

(b) $x^2 + x + y^3 - 3y^2 = 45$

$$x^2 + x + (y(x))^3 - 3(y(x))^2 = 45$$

$$2x + 1 + 3(y(x))^2 y'(x) - 6y(x) y'(x) = 0$$

$$2x + 1 + 3y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} - 6y \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$3y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} - 6y \frac{dy}{dx} = -2x - 1$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} (3y^2 - 6y) = -2x - 1$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2x - 1}{3y^2 - 6y}$$

product rule

(c) $x^2 + xy^3 - 3y^2 = 45$

$$x^2 + \underbrace{x(y(x))^3}_{\text{product rule}} - 3(y(x))^2 = 45$$

$$2x + x \frac{d}{dx} (y(x))^3 + (y(x))^3 \frac{d}{dx} (x) - 6y(x)y'(x) = 0$$

$$2x + x \cdot 3(y(x))^2 y'(x) + (y(x))^3 (1) - 6y(x)y'(x) = 0$$

$$2x + x \cdot 3y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} + y^3 - 6y \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$3xy^2 \frac{dy}{dx} - 6y \frac{dy}{dx} = -2x - y^3$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} (3xy^2 - 6y) = -2x - y^3$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-2x - y^3}{3xy^2 - 6y}$$

(d) $3x^4 - \ln(y^2) = \frac{4}{y^2}$

$$3x^4 - 2 \ln y = 4y^{-2}$$

$$3x^4 - 2 \ln(y(x)) = 4(y(x))^{-2}$$

$$12x^3 - 2 \frac{y'(x)}{y(x) \ln e} = -8(y(x))^{-3} y'(x)$$

$$12x^3 - \frac{2 dy/dx}{y} = -8y^{-3} dy/dx$$

$$12x^3 = -8y^{-3} dy/dx + \frac{2}{y} dy/dx$$

$$12x^3 = \left(-8y^{-3} + \frac{2}{y} \right) \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\frac{12x^3}{-8y^{-3} + \frac{2}{y}} = \frac{dy}{dx}$$

6. Find the slope of the line tangent to curve given by $2x^3 - 10\log_3(y^4) = \frac{120}{y} + 48$ at the point $(4, 3)$. If necessary, round to the nearest hundredth.

$$\begin{aligned}
 2x^3 - 10 \log_3(y(x)^4) &= 120(y(x))^{-1} + 48 \\
 2x^3 - 40 \log_3(y(x)) &= 120(y(x))^{-1} + 48 \\
 6x^2 - 40 \left(\frac{y'(x)}{y(x) \ln 3} \right) &= -120(y(x))^{-2} y'(x) \\
 6x^2 - \frac{40 \frac{dy}{dx}}{y \ln 3} &= -120 y^{-2} \frac{dy}{dx} \\
 6x^2 &= \frac{40}{y \ln 3} \frac{dy}{dx} - 120 y^{-2} \frac{dy}{dx} \\
 6x^2 &= \left(\frac{40}{y \ln 3} - 120 y^{-2} \right) \frac{dy}{dx} \\
 \frac{6x^2}{\frac{40}{y \ln 3} - \frac{120}{y^2}} &= \frac{dy}{dx}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{6 \cdot 4^2}{\frac{40}{3 \ln 3} - \frac{120}{3^2}}$$

$$\approx -80.21$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 y - 3 &= -80.21(x - 4) \\
 y &= -80.21x + 320.84 + 3 \\
 y &= -80.21x + 323.84
 \end{aligned}$$

7. Suppose x and y are functions of t and are related by the equation $\ln(3x^2 - 5y) + 16 = x^4$. Given $\frac{dx}{dt} = 3$, $x = 2$, and $y = \frac{11}{5}$, use the information to find $\frac{dy}{dt}$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \ln(3(x(t))^2 - 5y(t)) + 16 &= (x(t))^4 \\
 \frac{6(x(t))x'(t) - 5y'(t)}{3(x(t))^2 - 5y(t)} &= 4(x(t))^3 x'(t)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{6x \frac{dx}{dt} - 5 \frac{dy}{dt}}{3x^2 - 5y} = 4x^3 \frac{dx}{dt}$$

$$\frac{6(2)(3) - 5 \frac{dy}{dt}}{3(2)^2 - 5\left(\frac{11}{5}\right)} = 4(2)^3(3)$$

$$\frac{36 - 5 \frac{dy}{dt}}{1} = 96$$

$$-5 \frac{dy}{dt} = 96 - 36 = 60$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{60}{-5} = -12$$