

MTH 1125 - Test 2 (2pm Class) - Solutions

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Instructions. Show CLEARLY how you arrive at your answers.

1. Compute: $\frac{d}{dx} [3x^6 + 4x^4 + 5x^3 + 7x^2 + 12x + 20\sqrt{x} + 10] =$

$$\frac{d}{dx} [3x^6 + 4x^4 + 5x^3 + 7x^2 + 12x + 20x^{\frac{1}{2}} + 10]$$

$$= 3 [6x^5] + 4 [4x^3] + 5 [3x^2] + 7 [2x] + 12 + 20 \left[\frac{1}{2}x^{-\frac{1}{2}} \right] + 0$$

$$= 18x^5 + 16x^3 + 15x^2 + 14x + 12 + 10x^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

i.e., $\frac{d}{dx} [3x^6 + 4x^4 + 5x^3 + 7x^2 + 12x + 20\sqrt{x} + 10] = 18x^5 + 16x^3 + 15x^2 + 14x + 12 + 10x^{-\frac{1}{2}}$

2. Compute: $\frac{d}{dx} [(\sin(x) + \cos(x))(3x^2 + 6x)] =$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[\underbrace{(\sin(x) + \cos(x))}_{1^{st}} \cdot \underbrace{(3x^2 + 6x)}_{2^{nd}} \right] = \underbrace{(\cos(x) - \sin(x))}_{1^{st} \text{ prime}} \cdot \underbrace{(3x^2 + 6x)}_{2^{nd}} + \underbrace{(6x + 6)}_{2^{nd} \text{ prime}} \cdot \underbrace{(\sin(x) + \cos(x))}_{1^{st}}$$

$\frac{d}{dx} [(\sin(x) + \cos(x))(3x^2 + 6x)] = (\cos(x) - \sin(x))(3x^2 + 6x) + (6x + 6)(\sin(x) + \cos(x))$

3. Compute: $\frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{5x^4 + 6x^3 + 16x}{3x^2 + 6x} \right] =$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{\overbrace{5x^4 + 6x^3 + 16x}^{\text{top}}}{\underbrace{3x^2 + 6x}_{\text{Bottom}}} \right] = \frac{\overbrace{(20x^3 + 18x^2 + 16)}^{\text{top prime}} \cdot \overbrace{(3x^2 + 6x)}^{\text{bottom}} - \overbrace{(6x + 6)}^{\text{bottom prime}} \cdot \overbrace{(5x^4 + 6x^3 + 16x)}^{\text{top}}}{\underbrace{(3x^2 + 6x)^2}_{\text{bottom squared}}}$$

i.e., $\frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{5x^4 + 6x^3 + 16x}{3x^2 + 6x} \right] = \frac{(20x^3 + 18x^2 + 16)(3x^2 + 6x) - (6x + 6)(5x^4 + 6x^3 + 16x)}{(3x^2 + 6x)^2}$

4. Compute: $\frac{d}{dx} \left[(2x^3 + 3x^2 + 6x)^8 \right] =$ This is the derivative of a function raised to a power.

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[(2x^3 + 3x^2 + 6x)^8 \right] = \underbrace{8(2x^3 + 3x^2 + 6x)^7}_{\text{power rule as usual}} \cdot \underbrace{(6x^2 + 6x + 6)}_{\text{derivative of inner}}$$

i.e., $\frac{d}{dx} \left[(2x^3 + 3x^2 + 6x)^8 \right] = 8(2x^3 + 3x^2 + 6x)^7 (6x^2 + 6x + 6)$

5. Given that $f(x) = 3x^2 + 3x - 3$, give the *equation* of the line tangent to the graph of $f(x)$ at the point $(1, 3)$.

We need two things:

i. A **point** on the line (We have that: $(x_1, y_1) = (1, 3)$)

ii. The **slope** of the line (This is $f'(x_1)$)

$$f'(x) = 6x + 3$$

At the point $(x_1, y_1) = (1, 3)$, **the slope is** $f'(1) = 6(1) + 3 = 9$

We will use the Point-Slope equation of a line:

$(y - y_1) = m(x - x_1)$ (Where m is the slope and (x_1, y_1) is a known point on the line.)

Thus, the equation of the line tangent to the graph of $f(x)$ is:

$$(y - 3) = 9(x - 1)$$

The equation of the line tangent is $(y - 3) = 9(x - 1)$

6. Given that $w = \cot(z)$ and that $z = 3x^2 + 6x + 5$; compute $\frac{dw}{dx}$ **using the Leibniz form of the Chain Rule.** (In particular, when doing this exercise, *write explicitly the Leibniz form of the chain rule that you are going to use.*)

We know:

$$\frac{dw}{dz} = -\csc^2(z)$$

$$\frac{dz}{dx} = 6x + 6$$

We want: $\frac{dw}{dx}$

By the Leibniz form of the Chain Rule:

$$\frac{dw}{dx} = \frac{dw}{dz} \frac{dz}{dx} = -\csc^2(z) (6x + 6) = \underbrace{-\csc^2(3x^2 + 6x + 5)}_{\substack{\text{express solely in terms of} \\ \text{independent variable } x}} (6x + 6)$$

i.e. $\frac{dw}{dx} = -\csc^2(3x^2 + 6x + 5) (6x + 6)$

7. Compute: $\frac{d}{dx} [\sin(2x^5 + 5x^2)] =$

Outer: $= \sin(\quad)$
 Deriv. of outer $= \cos(\quad)$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[\begin{array}{c} \sin(2x^5 + 5x^2) \\ \uparrow \quad \uparrow \\ \text{outer} \quad \text{inner} \end{array} \right] = \underbrace{\cos(2x^5 + 5x^2)}_{\substack{\text{Deriv of outer,} \\ \text{eval. at inner}}} \cdot \underbrace{(10x^4 + 10x)}_{\substack{\text{deriv. of} \\ \text{inner}}}$$

i.e., $\frac{d}{dx} [\sin(2x^5 + 5x^2)] = \cos(2x^5 + 5x^2) (10x^4 + 10x)$

8. Compute: $\frac{d}{dx} \left[\left(\frac{5x^2+10x+15}{2x^2+6x} \right)^{100} \right] =$ In the broadest sense, this is the derivative of a function raised to a power - USE the CHAIN RULE.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} \left[\underbrace{\left(\frac{5x^2 + 10x + 15}{2x^2 + 6x} \right)^{100}}_{(g(x))^n} \right] &= \underbrace{100 \left(\frac{5x^2 + 10x + 15}{2x^2 + 6x} \right)^{99}}_{\text{power rule as usual}} \cdot \underbrace{\left(\frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{5x^2 + 10x + 15}{2x^2 + 6x} \right] \right)}_{\text{deriv of inner Function}} \\ &= 100 \left(\frac{5x^2+10x+15}{2x^2+6x} \right)^{99} \underbrace{\frac{(10x+10)(2x^2+6x) - (4x+6)(5x^2+10x+15)}{(2x^2+6x)^2}}_{\text{quotient rule}} \end{aligned}$$

i.e., $\frac{d}{dx} \left[\left(\frac{5x^2+10x+15}{2x^2+6x} \right)^{100} \right] = 100 \left(\frac{5x^2+10x+15}{2x^2+6x} \right)^{99} \frac{(10x+10)(2x^2+6x) - (4x+6)(5x^2+10x+15)}{(2x^2+6x)^2}$

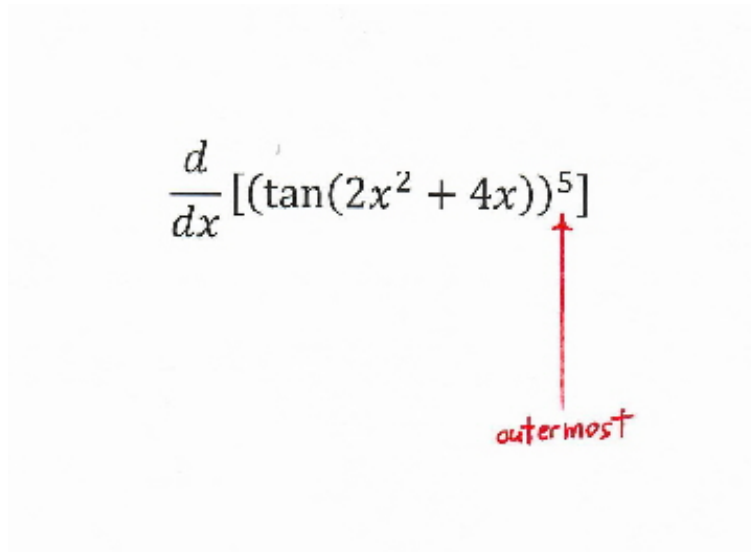
9. Compute: $\frac{d}{dx} [\tan^5 (2x^2 + 4x)] =$

Let's rewrite this:

$$\frac{d}{dx} [(\tan (2x^2 + 4x))^5]$$

This is the composition of *three* functions.

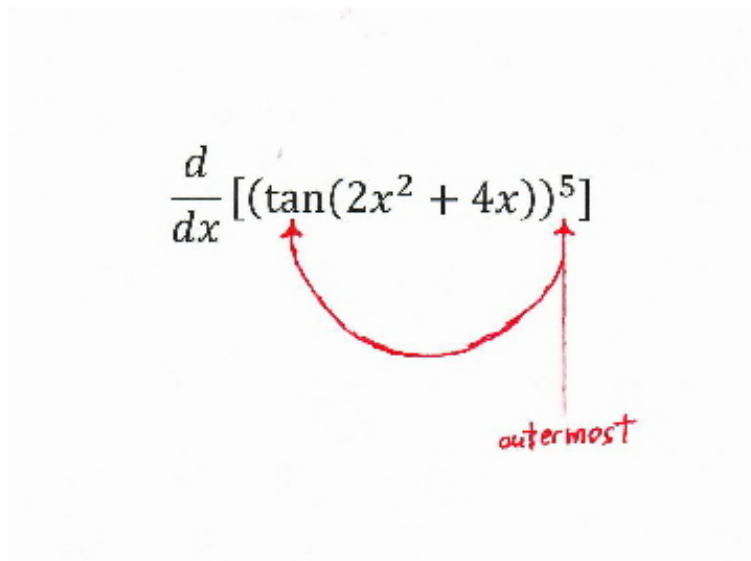
Differentiate the outermost function and evaluate it at everything inside



The image shows the expression $\frac{d}{dx} [(\tan(2x^2 + 4x))^5]$ with a red arrow pointing upwards from the exponent 5 to the word "outermost" written in red below it.

This yields: $5 (\tan (2x^2 + 4x))^4$

Next: Multiply by the derivative of the next outermost function and evaluate it at everything inside of it.



The image shows the expression $\frac{d}{dx} [(\tan(2x^2 + 4x))^5]$ with a red arrow pointing upwards from the exponent 5 to the word "outermost" written in red below it. A red curved arrow also points from the exponent 5 to the argument of the tangent function, $(2x^2 + 4x)$.

This yields: $5 (\tan (2x^2 + 4x))^4 \cdot \sec^2 (2x^2 + 4x)$

Finally: Multiply by the derivative of the innermost function.

$$\frac{d}{dx} [(\tan(2x^2 + 4x))^5]$$

outermost

This yields: $5 (\tan (2x^2 + 4x))^4 \cdot \sec^2 (2x^2 + 4x) \cdot (4x + 4)$

i.e., $\frac{d}{dx} [\tan^5 (2x^2 + 4x)] = 5 (\tan (2x^2 + 4x))^4 \cdot \sec^2 (2x^2 + 4x) \cdot (4x + 4)$

Alternatively:

Re-Write!

$$\frac{d}{dx} [\tan^5 (2x^2 + 4x)] = \frac{d}{dx} [(\tan (2x^2 + 4x))^5]$$

In the broadest sense, this is *the derivative of a function raised to a power*

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} [(\tan (2x^2 + 4x))^5] &= \underbrace{5 (\tan (2x^2 + 4x))^4}_{\text{power rule as usual}} \cdot \underbrace{\left(\frac{d}{dx} [\tan (2x^2 + 4x)] \right)}_{\text{derivative of inner}} \\ &= 5 (\tan (2x^2 + 4x))^4 \cdot \underbrace{[\sec^2 (2x^2 + 4x) \cdot (4x + 4)]}_{\text{Chain Rule}} \end{aligned}$$

i.e., $\frac{d}{dx} [\tan^5 (2x^2 + 4x)] = 5 (\tan (2x^2 + 4x))^4 \cdot \sec^2 (2x^2 + 4x) \cdot (4x + 4)$

10. Given that $x^3 - x^2y^4 = \tan(y)$, compute $\frac{dy}{dx}$

i. Differentiate both sides w.r.t. x

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[x^3 - \underbrace{x^2}_{1^{\text{st}}} \underbrace{y^4}_{2^{\text{nd}}} \right] = \frac{d}{dx} [\tan(y)]$$
$$\Rightarrow 3x^2 - \left(\underbrace{2x}_{1^{\text{st}} \text{ prime}} \cdot \underbrace{y^4}_{2^{\text{nd}}} + \underbrace{4y^3 \frac{dy}{dx}}_{2^{\text{nd}} \text{ prime}} \cdot \underbrace{x^2}_{1^{\text{st}}} \right) = \sec^2(y) \cdot \frac{dy}{dx}$$

Simplifying, we have:

$$3x^2 - 2xy^4 - 4x^2y^3 \frac{dy}{dx} = \sec^2(y) \frac{dy}{dx}$$

ii. Solve algebraically for $\frac{dy}{dx}$

a. Get $\frac{dy}{dx}$ terms on left side, all other terms on right side

$$\Rightarrow -4x^2y^3 \frac{dy}{dx} - \sec^2(y) \frac{dy}{dx} = -3x^2 + 2xy^4$$

b. Factor out $\frac{dy}{dx}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} (-4x^2y^3 - \sec^2(y)) = -3x^2 + 2xy^4$$

c. Divide both sides by the cofactor of $\frac{dy}{dx}$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-3x^2 + 2xy^4}{-4x^2y^3 - \sec^2(y)} = \frac{3x^2 - 2xy^4}{4x^2y^3 + \sec^2(y)}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-3x^2 + 2xy^4}{-4x^2y^3 - \sec^2(y)} = \frac{3x^2 - 2xy^4}{4x^2y^3 + \sec^2(y)}$$

11. Given that $f(x) = 3x^2 - 4x + 5$, compute $f'(x)$ **using the definition of derivative.** (i.e., using the “limit process.”)

$$\begin{aligned}
 f'(x) &= \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+\Delta x) - f(x)}{\Delta x} = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{[3(x+\Delta x)^2 - 4(x+\Delta x) + 5] - [3x^2 - 4x + 5]}{\Delta x} \\
 &= \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{[3(x^2 + 2x\Delta x + \Delta x^2) - 4(x + \Delta x) + 5] - [3x^2 - 4x + 5]}{\Delta x} \\
 &= \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{[3x^2 + 6x\Delta x + 3\Delta x^2 - 4x - 4\Delta x + 5] - [3x^2 - 4x + 5]}{\Delta x} = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{6x\Delta x + 3\Delta x^2 - 4\Delta x}{\Delta x} \\
 &= \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta x(6x + 3\Delta x - 4)}{\Delta x} = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} (6x + 3\Delta x - 4) = 6x + 3(0) - 4 = 6x - 4
 \end{aligned}$$

i.e., $f'(x) = 6x - 4$

Extra (Wow! 10 Points)

Given that $T'(x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$ (i.e., $\frac{d}{dx} [T(x)] = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$); compute $\frac{d}{dx} [T(\tan(x))]$

Outer: = $T(\quad)$

Deriv. of outer = $\frac{1}{1+(\quad)^2}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{d}{dx} \left[T(\underbrace{\tan(x)}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{inner}}}) \right] &= \underbrace{\frac{1}{1+(\tan(x))^2}}_{\substack{\text{Deriv of outer,} \\ \text{eval. at inner}}} \cdot \underbrace{\sec^2(x)}_{\substack{\text{deriv. of} \\ \text{inner}}} = \frac{\sec^2(x)}{1+(\tan(x))^2} = \frac{\sec^2(x)}{1+\tan^2(x)} = \frac{\sec^2(x)}{\sec^2(x)} = 1
 \end{aligned}$$

\uparrow \uparrow
 outer inner

i.e., $\frac{d}{dx} [T(\tan(x))] = \frac{\sec^2(x)}{1+(\tan(x))^2} = 1$