

## Written Assignment 5

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**1. Find the derivative for the function  $f(x) = 2e^x - 8^x$ .**

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{d}{dx} 2e^x - \frac{d}{dx} 8^x \\ &= 2e^x(1) - 8^x \ln(8) \\ &= 2e^x - 8^x \ln(8) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{But } \ln(8) = \ln(2)^3 = 3\ln(2)$$

$$= 2e^x - 3\ln(2) \cdot (8^x)$$

**2. Find the derivative for the function  $f(z) = z^5 - e^z \ln z$**

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} f'(z) &= \frac{d}{dz} z^5 - \frac{d}{dz} e^z \ln z \\ &= 5z^4 - \left( e^z \ln z + \frac{e^z}{z} \right) \\ &= 5z^4 - e^z \ln(z) - \frac{e^z}{z} \end{aligned}$$

**3. Find the tangent line to  $f(x) = 7^x + 4e^x$  at  $x = 0$ .**

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{d}{dx} 7^x + 4 \frac{d}{dx} e^x \\ &= 7^x \ln(7) + 4e^x \end{aligned}$$

Gradient of the tangent:

$$\begin{aligned} f'(0) &= 7^{(0)} \ln(7) + 4e^{(0)} \\ &= 1 \cdot \ln(7) + 4(1) \\ &\approx \mathbf{5.95} \end{aligned}$$

The point when tangent line touches the curve:

$$f(0) = 7^0 + 4e^0 = 5$$

The point is (0,5)

Using point-slope form to determine equation of the tangent line:

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$y - 5 = 5.95(x - 0)$$

$$y = 5.95x + 5$$

**4. Determine if  $G(z) = (z - 6)\ln(z)$  is increasing or decreasing at the following points.**

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} G'(z) &= \frac{d}{dz}[(z - 6)\ln(z)] \\ &= \frac{(z - 6)}{z} + \ln(z) \cdot (1) \\ &= \frac{(z - 6)}{z} + \ln(z) \end{aligned}$$

(a)  $z = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} G'(1) &= \frac{(1 - 6)}{1} + \ln(1) \\ &= -5 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $G'(1) = -5$  (negative),  $G(z)$  is decreasing at  $z = 1$ .

(b)  $z = 5$

$$\begin{aligned} G'(5) &= \frac{(5 - 6)}{5} + \ln(5) \\ &\approx 1.41 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $G'(5) \approx 1.41$  (positive),  $G(z)$  is increasing at  $z = 5$ .

(c)  $z = 20$

$$\begin{aligned} G'(20) &= \frac{(20 - 6)}{20} + \ln(20) \\ &\approx 3.70 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $G'(20) \approx 3.70$  (positive),  $G(z)$  is increasing at  $z = 20$ .

**5. Find the derivative for the function  $f(x) = (x + 1)^x$**

**Solution:**

Taking natural logarithm on both sides:

$$\ln f(x) = x \ln(x + 1)$$

Differentiating both sides:

$$\frac{d}{dx} \ln f(x) = \frac{d}{dx} x \ln(x + 1)$$

$$\frac{1}{f(x)} \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{x+1} \cdot x + \ln(x+1). \quad (1)$$

Multiplying both sides by  $f(x)$ :

$$f(x) \times \frac{1}{f(x)} \frac{dy}{dx} = f(x) \cdot \left[ \frac{x}{x+1} + \ln(x+1) \right]$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = (x+1)^x \cdot \left[ \frac{x}{x+1} + \ln(x+1) \right]$$

**6. Find the derivative for the function  $f(x) = (x)^{x+1}$**

**Solution:**

Taking natural logarithm on both sides:

$$\ln f(x) = (x+1) \cdot \ln(x)$$

Differentiating both sides:

$$\frac{d}{dx} \ln f(x) = \frac{d}{dx} (x+1) \cdot \ln(x)$$

$$\frac{1}{f(x)} \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{x} \cdot (x+1) + \ln(x). \quad (1)$$

Multiplying both sides by  $f(x)$ :

$$f(x) \times \frac{1}{f(x)} \frac{dy}{dx} = f(x) \cdot \left[ \frac{x+1}{x} + \ln(x) \right]$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = (x)^{x+1} \cdot \left[ \frac{x+1}{x} + \ln(x) \right]$$

**7. Find the derivative for the function  $f(x) = (\sqrt{x})^x$**

**Solution:**

Taking natural logarithm on both sides:

$$\ln f(x) = \ln(x)^{\frac{1}{2}x}$$

$$\ln f(x) = \frac{1}{2}x \cdot \ln(x)$$

Differentiating both sides:

$$\frac{d}{dx} \ln f(x) = \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{1}{2}x \cdot \ln(x) \right)$$

$$\frac{1}{f(x)} \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{x} \cdot \left( \frac{1}{2}x \right) + \ln(x) \cdot \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

Multiplying both sides by  $f(x)$ :

$$f(x) \times \frac{1}{f(x)} \frac{dy}{dx} = f(x) \cdot \left[ \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\ln(x)}{2} \right]$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = (\sqrt{x})^x \cdot \left[ \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\ln(x)}{2} \right]$$

**8. Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  for  $(\sqrt{3x^2 + 1})(3x^4 + 1)^3$**

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= (\sqrt{3x^2 + 1}) \frac{d}{dx} (3x^4 + 1)^3 + (3x^4 + 1)^3 \frac{d}{dx} (\sqrt{3x^2 + 1}) \\ &= (\sqrt{3x^2 + 1}) \cdot 3(3x^4 + 1)^2 \cdot (12x^3) + (3x^4 + 1)^3 \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3x^2 + 1}} \cdot 6x \\ &= (\sqrt{3x^2 + 1}) \cdot 36x^3(3x^4 + 1)^2 + \frac{6x \cdot (3x^4 + 1)^3}{2\sqrt{3x^2 + 1}} \\ &= (\sqrt{3x^2 + 1}) \cdot 36x^3(3x^4 + 1)^2 + \frac{3x \cdot (3x^4 + 1)^3}{\sqrt{3x^2 + 1}} \end{aligned}$$

**9. Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  for  $y = 3x^{3x}$**

**Solution:**

Taking natural logarithm on both sides:

$$\ln f(x) = 9x \ln(x)$$

Differentiating both sides:

$$\frac{d}{dx} \ln f(x) = \frac{d}{dx} (9x \ln(x))$$

$$\frac{1}{f(x)} \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{x} \cdot (9x) + \ln(x) \cdot 9$$

$$\frac{1}{f(x)} \frac{dy}{dx} = 9 + \ln(x) \cdot 9$$

Multiplying both sides by  $f(x)$ :

$$f(x) \times \frac{1}{f(x)} \frac{dy}{dx} = f(x) \cdot [9 + \ln(x) \cdot 9]$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 9x^{3x} \cdot [\ln(x) + 1]$$