Let's differentiate some functions

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Practice Quiz, 5 questions

✔ Congratulations! You passed!

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1.
In the following quiz, you will practice how to differentiate some basic functions. Some questions look tricky, but just stick to the rules you know!

Differentiate the function $f(x) = x^3 + \frac{x^2}{3} + 3$.

- ○ $3x^2 + \frac{2x}{3}$

Correct
Well done!

- ○ $3x^2 + \frac{x^2}{3} + 3$
- ○ $3x^2 + \frac{2x}{3} + 3$
- ○ $3x^3 + \frac{2x^2}{3}$

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2.
What function would differentiate to get $f'(x) = \frac{3\pi x^4}{4} + 11x^2 + \sqrt{2}$?

- ○ $f(x) = \frac{3\pi x^5}{16} + \frac{11x^3}{2} + \sqrt{2x} + 2$
- ○ $f(x) = \frac{3\pi x^5}{4} + 11x^3 + \sqrt{2x} + 2$
- ○ $f(x) = \frac{3\pi x^5}{20} + \frac{11x^3}{3} + \sqrt{2x} + 2$

Correct
Well done! Differentiating each term would give the original expression.

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$f(x) = \frac{3\pi x^4}{20} + \frac{11x^2}{3} + \sqrt{2x + 2}$

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3.
When given distance as a function of time (that is, distance = $x = x(t)$), one can calculate the rate of change of distance (that is, speed) as a function of time by differentiating $x(t)$ with respect to t.

Similarly, one can calculate the rate of change of speed (that is, acceleration) by differentiating $x'(t)$ (the speed) with respect to t, to get the "double derivative" of $x(t)$.

Consider a ball being thrown from a plane in the sky. At time $t = 0$, has a distance from the ground of $10,000$ m, has speed equal to 0 ms^{-1}, and has acceleration equal to -9.8 ms^{-2}. Assuming that acceleration is constant, which of the following functions $x(t)$ best describes the distance from the ground to the ball as a function of time?

$x(t) = 4.9t^2 + 10,000$

$x(t) = -9.8t^2 + 10,000$

$x(t) = -4.9t^2 + 10,000$

Correct
Differentiating once gives the velocity of the ball, and differentiating once more gives the acceleration of the ball.

$x(t) = -4.9t + 10,000$

1 / 1 points

4.
Differentiate the function $f(x) = x^3 + \frac{x^2}{3} + 3$ and evaluate the differential at $x = 5$.

$f'(5) = 85$

$f'(5) = \frac{85}{3}$

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Correct
Well done!

$f'(5) = 0$

$f'(5) = \frac{409}{3}$

1 / 1 points

5.
Differentiate the function $f(x) = x^3 + 27x^2 - 5x + 9$ and evaluate the differential at $x = -1$.

$f'(-1) = -56$

Correct
Well done!

$f'(-1) = 40$

$f'(-1) = 0$

$f'(-1) = 10$