

# Finding Derivatives

1. Find the derivative of each of the following functions.

a)  $3x^5 - 10x^2 + 8$

j)  $x^2 e^x$

b)  $(5x^{12} + 2)(\pi - \pi^2 x^4)$

k)  $\cos x + e^x$

c)  $\sqrt{u} - 3/u^3 + 2u^7$

l)  $\sin x / \cos x$

d)  $mx + b$  ( $m, b$  constant)

m)  $e^x \ln x$

e)  $.5 \sin x + \sqrt[3]{x} + \pi^2$

n)  $\frac{2^x}{10 + \sin x}$

f)  $\frac{\pi - \pi^2 x^4}{5x^{12} + 2}$

o)  $\sin(e^x \cos x)$

g)  $2\sqrt{x} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$

p)  $6e^{\cos t} / 5\sqrt[3]{t}$

h)  $\tan z (\sin z - 5)$

q)  $\ln(x^2 + xe^x)$

i)  $\frac{\sin x}{x^2}$

r)  $\frac{5x^2 + \ln x}{7\sqrt{x} + 5}$

**1**  $3x^5 - 10x^2 + 8$

$$\begin{array}{c} \downarrow \\ 15x^4 - 20x + 0 \\ \boxed{15x^4 - 20x} \end{array}$$

**d**  $mx + b$

$$\begin{array}{c} \downarrow \\ m \quad 0 \\ g' = m \end{array}$$

**a**  $2\sqrt{x} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{diff} \\ g' = 2x^{1/2} - x^{-1/2} \\ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} + \frac{1}{2x^{3/2}} \end{array}$$

**b**  $(5x^{12} + 2)(\pi - \pi^2 x^4)$

$$\begin{aligned} a' &= 60x^{11}, \quad b' = -4\pi^2 x^3 \\ f'(x) &= a \cdot b' + b \cdot a' = \\ &\quad -4\pi^2 x^3 (5x^{12} + 2) + 60x^{11}(\pi - \pi^2 x^4) \\ &= -20\pi^2 x^{15} - 8\pi^2 x^3 + 60\pi x^{11} - 60\pi^2 x^{15} \\ &= -80\pi^2 x^{15} + 60\pi x^{11} - 8\pi^2 x^3 \end{aligned}$$

**c**  $\sin(x) + \sqrt[3]{x} + \pi^2$

$$\begin{aligned} a' &= 0, \quad b' = \cos(x) \quad \text{const, } 0 \\ 0 \cdot \sin(x) + .5\cos(x) & \quad x^{1/3} \\ g' &= .5\cos(x) + \frac{1}{3x^{2/3}} \end{aligned}$$

**h**  $\tan(z)(\sin(z) - 5)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{diff} \quad a' &= \frac{1}{\cos^2(z)}, \quad b' = \cos(z) \\ \text{product} \quad g' &= a' \cdot b' + a \cdot b' \\ &= \cos(z)\tan(z) + \frac{\sin(z)-5}{\cos^2(z)} \\ g' &= \sin(z) + \frac{\sin(z)-5}{\cos^2(z)} \end{aligned}$$

**c**  $\sqrt{u} - 3/u^3 + 2u^7$

$$\begin{array}{c} \downarrow \\ u^{1/2} \quad 3u^{-3} \\ \downarrow \\ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{u}} + 9\frac{1}{u^4} + 14u^6 \end{array}$$

**f**  $\frac{\pi - \pi^2 x^4}{5x^{12} + 2}$

$$\begin{aligned} a' &= -4\pi^2 x^3, \quad b' = 60x^{11} \quad \text{quotient rule} \\ g' &= \frac{-4\pi^2 x^3(5x^{12} + 2) - 60x^{11}(\pi - \pi^2 x^4)}{(5x^{12} + 2)^2} \quad \text{simplify} \\ &= \frac{-20\pi^2 x^{15} - 8\pi^2 x^3 - 60\pi x^{11} + 60\pi^2 x^{15}}{25x^{24} + 10x^{12} + 10x^{10} + 4} \rightarrow \text{not useful} \\ &= \frac{40\pi^2 x^{15} - 60\pi x^{11} - 8\pi^2 x^3}{(5x^{12} + 2)^2} \quad \text{In putting back} \end{aligned}$$

**i**  $\frac{\sin(x)}{x^2}$

$$\begin{aligned} a' &= \cos(x), \quad b' = 2x \\ g' &= \frac{x^2 \cos(x) - 2x \sin(x)}{(x^2)^2} \\ &= \frac{x^2 \cos(x) - 2x \sin(x)}{x^4} \end{aligned}$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad x^2 e^x$$

$$a' = 2x$$

$$b' = e^x$$

$$y' = 2x e^x + x^2 e^x \\ = (2x + x^2) e^x$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad y = \cos(x) + e^x$$

$$y' = -\sin(x) + e^x$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \sin(x) / \cos(x)$$

Vid: the quotient rule

$$a' = \cos(x) \quad b' = -\sin(x)$$

$$y = \frac{\cos(x) \cos(x) + \sin(x) \sin(x)}{\cos^2(x)}$$

$$y' = \frac{\cos^2(x) - \sin^2(x)}{\cos^2(x)} \rightarrow y' = 1$$

$$y' = \frac{1}{\cos^2(x)}$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad e^x \ln(x)$$

$$a' = e^x \quad b' = 1/x$$

$$y' = e^x \ln(x) + e^x \frac{1}{x} = y + \frac{e^x}{x}$$

$$\textcircled{5} \quad \frac{2x}{10 + \sin(x)}$$

$$a' = 2 \quad b' = \cos(x)$$

$$y' = \frac{2(10 + \sin(x)) - 2x \cos(x)}{(10 + \sin(x))^2}$$

$$\textcircled{6} \quad \sin(e^x \cos(x))$$

$$a'_1 = e^x \quad a'_2 = -\sin(x)$$

$$b' = \cos(x)$$

$$y' = \cos(e^x \cos(x)) \cdot a'$$

$$a' = e^x \cos(x) - e^x \sin(x)$$

$$y' = \cos(e^x \cos(x)) \cdot (e^x \cos(x) - e^x \sin(x))$$

$$\textcircled{7} \quad 6e^{2t} \cos(t) / 5\sqrt{t}$$

$$a'_1 = -\sin(t) \quad a'_2 = a_1 6e^{2t}$$

$$a' = 6e^{2t} \cdot -\sin(t)$$

$$b' = \frac{5}{3} \frac{1}{t^{4/5}}$$

$$y' = \frac{(-\sin(t) 6e^{2t} \cos(t) \cdot 5\sqrt{t}) - (6e^{2t} \cdot \frac{5}{3} \frac{1}{t^{4/5}})}{25t^{2/5}}$$

$$\textcircled{8} \quad \ln(x^2 + x e^x)$$

$$a' = 1/b$$

$$b' = 2x + x e^x$$

$$y' = \frac{2x + x e^x}{x^2 + x e^x} =$$

$$\textcircled{9} \quad \frac{5x^2 + \ln(x)}{7\sqrt{x} + 5}$$

$$a' = 10x + 1/x$$

$$b' = \frac{2}{2\sqrt{x}}$$

$$y' = \frac{(10x + 1/x)(7\sqrt{x} + 5) - (5x^2 + \ln(x))(\frac{2}{2\sqrt{x}})}{(7\sqrt{x} + 5)^2}$$

$$y' = \frac{(70\sqrt{x^3} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{x}} + 50x + \frac{5}{x})(\frac{35x^2}{2\sqrt{x}} + \frac{7\ln(b)}{2\sqrt{x}})}{(7\sqrt{x} + 5)^2}$$

$$\text{Not interesting: } 49x + 70\sqrt{x} + 25 \\ = 70\sqrt{x^3} + 50x + \frac{7\sqrt{x} + 5}{x} - \frac{35x^2 + 7\ln(b)}{2\sqrt{x}}$$

2. Suppose  $f$  and  $g$  are functions and that we are given

$$f(2) = 3,$$

$$g(2) = 4,$$

$$g(3) = 2,$$

$$f'(2) = 2,$$

$$g'(2) = -1,$$

$$g'(3) = 17.$$

Evaluate the derivative of each of the following functions at  $t = 2$ :

a)  $f(t) + g(t)$

f)  $\sqrt{g(t)}$

b)  $5f(t) - 2g(t)$

g)  $t^2 f(t)$

c)  $f(t)g(t)$

h)  $(f(t))^2 + (g(t))^2$

d)  $\frac{f(t)}{g(t)}$

i)  $\frac{1}{f(t)}$

e)  $g(f(t))$

j)  $f(3t - (g(1+t))^2)$

k) What additional piece of information would you need to calculate the derivative of  $f(g(t))$  at  $t = 2$ ?

l) Estimate the value of  $f(t)/g(t)$  at  $t = 1.95$

**a)**  $y' = f'(t) + g'(t)$   
 $= f'(2) + g'(2)$   
 $= 2 + -1$   
 $= 1$

**b)**  $y' = 5f(t) - 2g(t)$   
 $y' = 5f'(2) - 2g'(2)$   
 $= 10 - (-2)$   
 $= 12$

**c)**  $y' = f(t)g(t) + f(t)g'(t)$   
 $= (2 \cdot 4) + (3 \cdot -1)$   
 $= 8 + -3$   $= 5$

**d)**  $y' = \frac{f(t)g'(t) - f'(t)g(t)}{(g(t))^2}$   
 $= \frac{(2 \cdot 4) - (3 \cdot -1)}{(2 \cdot 4)^2}$   
 $= \frac{8 + 3}{16} = \frac{11}{16}$

**e)**  $y' = \frac{g(f(t))}{f'(2) \cdot g'(f(2))}$   
 $= 2 \cdot g'(3)$   
 $= 2 \cdot 17$   
 $= 34$

**f)**  $y' = \frac{\sqrt{g(t)}}{2 \cdot \sqrt{g'(t)}} = \frac{1}{2 \cdot \sqrt{4}}$   
 $= \frac{1}{4}$

**g)**  $y' = t^2 f(t)$   
 $y' = 2t f(t) + t^2 f'(t)$   
 $= (4 \cdot 3) + (4 \cdot 2)$   
 $= 12 + 8$   $= 20$

**h)**  $y' = f(t)^2 + g(t)^2$   
 $y' = 2f(t) \cdot f'(t) + 2g(t) \cdot g'(t)$   
 $= (2 \cdot 3 \cdot 2) + (2 \cdot 4 \cdot -1)$   
 $= 12 + (-8)$   $= 4$

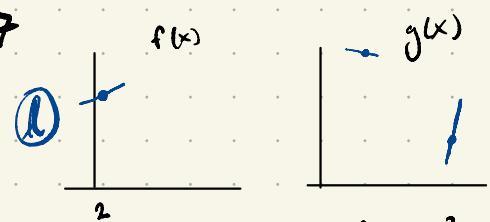
**i)**  $y' = \frac{1}{f(t)} = f(t)^{-1}$   
 $y' = -\frac{1}{f(t)^2} \cdot f'(t)$   
 $= -\frac{1}{3^2} \cdot 2$   
 $= -\frac{2}{9}$

**j)**  $y' = f(3t - (g(1+t))^2) \cdot (3 - (2g(1+t))) \cdot (g'(1+t))$   
 $y' = f'(3t - (g(1+t))^2) \cdot (3 - 2g(3)) \cdot (g'(3))$

$$\begin{aligned} y' &= f'(6 - g(3)^2) \cdot (3 - 2g(3)) \cdot (g'(3)) \\ &= f'(6 - 4) \cdot ((3 - 4) \cdot 17) \\ &= f'(2) \cdot -17 \\ &= 2 \cdot -17 \end{aligned}$$

**K)**  $y' = f'(g(t)) \cdot g'(t)$   
 $f'(g(2)) \cdot g'(2) =$   
 $f'(4) \cdot -1$

$f'(4)$  is needed to answer the question



$f(1.95)$  is likely slightly smaller and  $g(1.95)$  is likely larger, so  $f(t)/g(t)$  is likely between  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{3}{4}$ .

# Algebraic Derivative Solver

① define inputs + outputs

- input str, regex?

- Output: float / int

② define basic derivatives

- $mx+b$        $\cdot \cos(x)$
- $x^r$              $\cdot e^x$
- $\sin(x)$ ,        $\cdot \ln(x)$



③ Solving functions for basic derivatives

④ implement chain rule, product rule, multfield  
functions

- Start w/ 2 functions
- next, 3

⑤ mult. function recognition via regex?

# Pseudocode

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## 0.1 Pseudocode for Algebraic Derivative Solver in Python

I thought about this for a while, and identified a few steps to implement a bottom-up approach to building this program:

- 1. Define basic derivatives and solving functions** For this step, I would implement a function for each of the “basic” derivative functions outlined on page 276, chapter 5.1 of Calculus in Context. Depending on whether or not I decide to implement the derivative finder as a class, I might have the form as a class attribute that determines what solving function to use.
- 2. Implement functions for chain rule, product rule, quotient rule for 2-3 functions** This step will use the basic functions defined above to solve more complex equations comprised of 2 or more functions. For simplicity it will likely be just 2 or 3 to begin with.
- 3. Break Input Down:** This step is the one I have the most trepidation around, as I’m not sure that I will be able to consistently separate the regular expression or string input of a large equation into the constituent basic derivatives and how they’re related.
- 4. Wrapper Function:** This first function will make sure that all of the functions identified in the input are analyzed and put back together. This function will build back up by calculating the value for basic inner functions first, and working outwards until all identified functions are resolved.

Pseudocode for each step is as follows:

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[3]: #Defines basic derivatives and relevant parameters
#for constants "c" is a constant multiplying the whole function and "a" multiplies x
#implemented basic chain rule for constant a, where something like y=sin(2x) evaluates to y'=2*cos(2x)

#dictionary will be used to classify functions and identify different constants.

#basic_dict = {"linear": [m, b], "polynomial": [r, c], "sine": [c, a], "cosine": [c, a], "exp": [c, a], "log": [c, a]}

def linear_deriv(m, b, x):
    return m

def poly_deriv(x, r, c = 1):
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    return (r*c) * (x**(r-1))

def sin_deriv(x, c, r = 1):
    return c * r * np.cos(r * x)

def cos_deriv(x, c, r = 1):
    c = -c
    return c * r * np.sin(r * x)

def exp_deriv(c, r, x):
    return c * r * np.exp(r * x)

def log_deriv(c, r, x):
    return (c * r) / (r * x)

# Alternatively, as classes, these could be written as :
class Line:
    def __init__(self, expr):
        self.constants = [1, 1]
    def get_constants(self, expr):
        #code to get constants from regex or string
        m = 1
        b = 1
        self.constants = [m, b]

    def get_derivative(self):
        #this function would likely return a second function.
        def lin_deriv():
            return self.constants[0]
        return lin_deriv

#and so on for other types of basic function

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[ ]: # Next would be the functions for product, quotient, chain rule:

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def product_deriv(f, g, x):
    #f and g are already classified as basic function types and have associated derivative functions
    #first, calculate already defined terms for f(x) and g(X)
    f_val = f(x)
    g_val = g(x)

    #get derivative functions (get derivative may need to be recursive?)
    f_der = f.get_derivative()
    g_der = g.get_derivative()

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#calculate f'(x) and g'(x)
f2_v l = f_der(x)
g2_v l = g_der(x)

#finally return products:
return (f2_v l * g_v l) + (f_v l * g2_v l)

def quotient_deriv(f, g, x):
    #f and g are already classified as basic function types and have associated derivative functions
    #first, calculate already defined terms for f(x) and g(X)
    f_v l = f(x)
    g_v l = g(x)

    #get derivative functions
    f_der = f.get_derivative()
    g_der = g.get_derivative()

    #calculate f'(x) and g'(x)
    f2_v l = f_der(x)
    g2_v l = g_der(x)

    return ((f2_v l * g_v l) - (f_v l * g2_v l))/(g_v l**2)

def ch_in_deriv(f, g, x):
    #get value for inner func first
    g_v l = g(x)

    g_der = g.get_derivative()
    f_der = f.get_derivative()

    f2_v l = f_der(g_v l)
    g2_v l = g_der(x)

    return f2_v l * g2_v l

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The next parts of the code would be working with regular expressions or strings, which could be used to separate the input expression on parentheses, operations, or something similar to isolate individual expressions.

I'm not 100% sure what this would look like, but my thoughts are something like this:

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def get_functions(expression/string):
    - split functions on operators and/or parentheses
    - check to make sure they fit specific form of basic expression
    - create list of functions separated by operators
    - list is shape (# of added/subtracted terms or terms separated by + or - x # of functions from inner to outer)
    - work through list until functions can be consolidated into numbers and added

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or subtracted return functions