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1. If g(x) is a differentiable function and assuming that $g(x) \neq 0$ show that

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{1}{g(x)} \right] = -\frac{g'(x)}{[g(x)]^2}$$

- (a) By using the definition of the derivative.
- (b) By using the quotient rule.

(a)

$$\begin{split} \frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{1}{g(x)} \right] &= \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{\frac{1}{g(x+h)} - \frac{1}{g(x)}}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{g(x) - g(x+h)}{g(x)g(x+h)h} \\ &= \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{g(x) - g(x+h)}{h} \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{1}{g(x)g(x+h)} \\ &= -\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{g(x+h) - g(x)}{h} \frac{1}{[g(x)]^2} \\ &= -\frac{g'(x)}{[g(x)]^2} \end{split}$$

(b)

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{1}{g(x)} \right] = \frac{\frac{d}{dx} [1]g(x) - \frac{d}{dx} [g(x)]}{[g(x)]^2}$$
$$= \frac{0 \cdot g(x) - g'(x)}{[g(x)]^2}$$
$$= -\frac{g'(x)}{[g(x)]^2}$$

2. Find the derivative of

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

and the equation of the tangent line to f(x) at the point (3,0.3).

$$f'(x) = \frac{1 \cdot (1 + x^2) - 2x \cdot x}{(1 + x^2)^2}$$
$$= \boxed{\frac{1 - x^2}{(1 + x^2)^2}}.$$

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The equation of the tangent line is given by the point slope form

$$y - y_0 = f'(x_0) \cdot (x - x_0)$$

$$y - 0.3 = \frac{1 - 9}{(1 + 9)^2} \cdot (x - 3)$$

$$y = -\frac{8}{100} \cdot (x - 3) + 0.3$$

$$y = -0.08x + 0.24 + 0.3$$

$$y = -0.08x + 0.54.$$

3. Find f' and f'' for

$$f(x) = e^x(x^3 + \sqrt{x} + 1)$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{d}{dx} [e^x](x^3 + \sqrt{x} + 1) + \frac{d}{dx} [x^3 + x^{1/2} + 1] e^x$$

$$= e^x (x^3 + x^{1/2} + 1) + (3x^2 + \frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2}) e^x$$

$$f''(x) = \frac{d}{dx} [e^x](x^3 + x^{1/2} + 1) + \frac{d}{dx} [x^3 + x^{1/2} + 1] e^x + \frac{d}{dx} [3x^2 + \frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2}] e^x + \frac{d}{dx} [e^x](3x^2 + \frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2})$$

$$= e^x (x^3 + x^{1/2} + 1) + (3x^2 + \frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2}) e^x + (6x - \frac{1}{4}x^{-3/2}) e^x + e^x (3x^2 + \frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2})$$

4. If f(3) = 4, g(3) = 2, f'(3) = -6, and g'(3) = 5, find the following numbers

(a) (fg)'(3)

(b)
$$\left(\frac{f}{f-g}\right)'(3)$$

(a)

$$(fg)'(3) = f'(3)g(3) + g'(3)f(3)$$

= $-6 \cdot 2 + 5 \cdot 4 = \boxed{8}.$

(b)

$$\left(\frac{f}{f-g}\right)'(3) = \frac{f'(3)(f(3) - g(3)) - (f(3) - g(3))'f(3)}{[f(3) - g(3)]^2}$$

$$= \frac{f'(3)(f(3) - g(3)) - (f'(3) - g'(3))f(3)}{[f(3) - g(3)]^2}$$

$$= \frac{-6 \cdot (4 - 2) - (-6 - 5) \cdot 4}{[4 - 2]^2}$$

$$= \frac{-12 + 44}{4} = \boxed{8}.$$

$$f(x) = x - 3x^{1/3}$$

$$f'(x) = 1 - x^{-2/3}$$
$$f''(x) = \frac{2}{2}x^{-5/3}.$$

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