

# Practicing the product rule

TOTAL POINTS 6

## 1.Question 1

In this quiz you'll have some practice using the product rule alongside the rules you've already learned.

In the previous video we considered the product of two functions,  $A(x) = f(x)g(x)$ , and saw that its derivative is given by  $A'(x) = f'(x)g(x) + f(x)g'(x)$ .

Which of the following is the product rule in  $d/dx$  notation?

1 / 1 point

- ☒  $d/dx A(x) = d/dx f(x)g(x) + d/dx g(x)f(x)$
- ☐  $dxdA(x)=dxdf(x)dxdg(x)+f'(x)g(x)$
- ☐  $dxdA(x)=dxdf(x)dxdg(x)$
- ☐  $dxdA(x)=dxdf(x)g(x)-f(x)dxdg(x)$

## 2.Question 2

When using the product rule it may help to consider how the function can be broken up into two parts, which can then be labelled  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$ . Use this method to differentiate the function  $A(x) = (x+2)(3x-3)$  with respect to  $x$ .

1 / 1 point

- ☒  $A'(x) = 6x+3$
- ☐  $A'(x) = 3$
- ☐  $A'(x) = 3x+3$
- ☐  $A'(x) = 3x+6$

## 3.Question 3

Remember that how we choose to label the function,  $A(x)$  or  $u(x)$  or  $f(x)$ , is not important. The key is to see if the function can be written as a product of two functions, and if so, use the product rule.

Differentiate the function  $f(x) = x^3 \sin(x)$  with respect to  $x$ .

1 / 1 point

- ☐  $f'(x) = x^3 \sin(x) + 3x^2 \cos(x)$
- ☐  $f'(x) = x^3 \sin(x) - 3x^2 \cos(x)$
- ☐  $f'(x) = 3x^2 \sin(x) - x^3 \cos(x)$
- ☒  $f'(x) = 3x^2 \sin(x) + x^3 \cos(x)$

#### 4.Question 4

Using the same approach, differentiate the function  $f(x) = e^x/x$  with respect to  $x$ .

1 / 1 point

- ☐  $f'(x) = e^x/x$
- ☐  $f'(x) = e^x(1/x + 1/x^2)$
- ☒  $f'(x) = e^x(1/x - 1/x^2)$
- ☐  $f'(x) = -e^x/x^2$

#### 5.Question 5

We can extend the product rule to products of more than two functions.

Consider the function  $u(x) = f(x)g(x)h(x)$ . Substitute  $A(x) = f(x)g(x)$  and then use the product rule *twice* to find the expression for  $u'(x)$ . This is the product rule for a product of three functions!

1 / 1 point

- ☒  $u'(x) = f'(x)g(x)h(x) + f(x)g'(x)h(x) + f(x)g(x)h'(x)$
- ☐  $u'(x) = f'(x)g'(x)h'(x)$
- ☐  $u'(x) = f(x)g(x)h'(x) + f'(x)g'(x)h(x)$
- ☐  $u'(x) = [f'(x)g(x) + f(x)g'(x)]h'(x)$

#### 6.Question 6

Using your answer to the previous question, differentiate the function  $f(x) = x e^x \cos(x)$  with respect to  $x$ .

1 / 1 point

- ☒  $f'(x) = e^x[(x+1) \cos(x) - x \sin(x)]$
- ☐  $f'(x) = e^x(x \cos(x) - \sin(x))$
- ☐  $f'(x) = -(1+x)e^x \sin(x)$
- ☐  $f'(x) = -e^x \sin(x)$