Let's differentiate some functions

TOTAL POINTS 5

1.Question 1

In the following quiz, you'll apply the rules you learned in the previous videos to differentiate some functions.

We learned how to differentiate polynomials using the power rule: $d/dx ax^{b} = abx^{b-1}$. It might be helpful to remember this as 'multiply by the power, then reduce the power by one'.

Using the power rule, differentiate $f(x) = x^{173}$

1 / 1 point

 $f'(x) = 172x^{173}$

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2.Question 2

The videos also introduced the sum rule: (d/dx)[f(x)+g(x)] = (d/dx)f(x) + (d/dx)g(x).

This tells us that when differentiating a sum we can just differentiate each term separately and then add them together again. Use the sum rule to differentiate $f(x) = x^2 + 7 + 1/x$

1 / 1 point

f'(x) = 2x + 1/x

• $f'(x) = 2x - 1/x^2$

 $f'(x) = 2x + 1/x^2$

 $f'(x) = 2x + 7 - 1/x^2$

3.Question 3

In the videos we saw that functions can be differentiated multiple times. Differentiate the function $f(x) = e^x + 2\sin(x) + x^3$ twice to find its second derivative, f''(x)

1 / 1 point

$$f''(x) = e^x + \sin(x) + 3x^2$$

$$f''(x) = xe^{x-1} - 2cos(x) + 6x$$

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$$f''(x) = e^x + 2\cos(x) + 3x^2$$

4.Question 4

Previous videos introduced the concept of an anti-derivative. For the function f'(x), it's possible to find the anti-derivative, f(x), by asking yourself what function you'd need to differentiate to get f'(x). For example, consider applying the "power rule" in reverse: You can go from the function abx^{b-1} to its anti-derivative ax^{b} .

Which of the following could be anti-derivatives of the function $f'(x) = x^4 - \sin(x) - 3e^x$? (Hint: there's more than one correct answer...)

1 / 1 point

$$f(x) = 1/5x^5 + \cos(x) - 3e^x + 4$$

$$f(x) = 1/5x^5 + \cos(x) - 3e^x - 12$$

$$f(x) = 4x^3 - \cos(x) - 3e^x$$

$$f(x) = 5x^5 - \sin(x) + 3e^{x} + 7$$

$$f(x) = 1/5x^5 - \cos(x) - 3e^x + 1$$

5.Question 5

The power rule can be applied for any real value of b. Using the facts that, calculate $d/dx(\sqrt{x})$

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d/dx (sqrt(x)) = 1/2sqrt(x)
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