

SECTION 3-3: DERIVATIVE RULES (DAY 2)

- Find the derivative of each of the following. Use whatever rule you choose. Simplify if you have time.

(a) $G(x) = \frac{x^2}{8+x^2}$ *quotient rule*

$$G'(x) = \frac{(8+x^2)(2x) - x^2(2x)}{(8+x^2)^2} = \frac{2x(8+x^2-x^2)}{(8+x^2)^2} = \frac{16x}{(8+x^2)^2}$$

*NOT
quotient
rule!*

(b) $K(x) = \frac{8+x^2}{x^2} = \frac{8}{x^2} + \frac{x^2}{x^2} = 8x^{-2} + 1$

$$K'(x) = -16x^{-3}$$

(c) $v(\theta) = \sqrt{\theta} \cos(\theta) = \theta^{1/2} \cos \theta$ *product rule*

$$V'(\theta) = \frac{1}{2} \theta^{-1/2} \cos(\theta) + \theta^{1/2} (-\sin \theta) = \frac{1}{2} \theta^{-1/2} \cos \theta - \theta^{1/2} \sin \theta$$

*NOT
product
rule*

(d) $H(x) = \frac{1}{3x}(8+x^2) = \frac{1}{3}(8x^{-1} + x)$

$$H'(x) = \frac{1}{3}(-8x^{-2} + 1) = \frac{1}{3}\left(1 - \frac{8}{x^2}\right)$$

*product rule
here only*

(e) $f(x) = 5e^2 + 4x^{3/4} + 5x \sin(x)$

$$f'(x) = 0 + 4\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)x^{-1/4} + 5(1 \cdot \sin(x) + x \cos(x))$$

$$= 3x^{-1/4} + 5(\sin(x) + x \cos(x))$$

2. Determine the point (or points) where the graph $f(x) = x^3$ has a slope of 2.

$$f'(x) = 3x^2$$

$$m=2$$

$$\text{So } 3x^2 = 2 \text{ or } x = \pm \sqrt{2/3}$$

$$\text{points: } \left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}, \left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \right)^3 \right) = \left(\left(\frac{2}{3} \right)^{1/2}, \left(\frac{2}{3} \right)^{3/2} \right)$$

$$\left(-\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}, -\left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \right)^3 \right) = \left(-\left(\frac{2}{3} \right)^{1/2}, -\left(\frac{2}{3} \right)^{3/2} \right)$$

3. An ant walking along a sidewalk has traveled $s(t) = t^4 - 2t^2$ inches in t minutes. Find the acceleration of the ant (with units) when the velocity of the ant is 0.

$$s'(t) = v(t) = 4t^3 - 4t \quad \leftarrow \text{units: inches/minute}$$

$$s''(t) = v'(t) = a(t) = 12t^2 - 4 \quad \leftarrow \text{units inches/minute/minute} = \text{in/min}^2$$

$$v = s' = 0 \text{ when } 4t^3 - 4t = 4t(t^2 - 1) = 4t(t-1)(t+1) = 0 \text{ or } t = 0, 1, -1.$$

$$a(0) = -4, \quad a(1) = 8, \quad a(-1) = 8 \quad \text{all in } \underline{\underline{\text{in/min}^2}}$$

4. The concentration of an antibiotic in the bloodstream t hours after being injected is given by

$$C(t) = \frac{2t^2 + t}{t^3 + 50} \text{ where } C \text{ is measured in milligrams per liter of blood.}$$

(a) Find $C(0)$ and $C(10)$ and explain what these numbers mean in the context of the problem.

$$C(0) = 0$$

Before the injection, the concentration in the blood is zero. Ten hours after the injection, the concentration in the blood is 0.2 mg/L.

$$C(10) = \frac{210}{1050} = 0.20$$

(b) It is a fact that $C'(t) = \frac{-2(t^4 + t^3 - 100t - 25)}{(t^3 + 50)^2}$. What are the units of $C'(x)$?

$$(\text{milligrams per liter}) \text{ per hour or } \text{mg/L/hr}$$

(c) It is a fact that $C'(10) = -0.018$. Interpret this fact in the context of the problem. Use language a Precalculus student could understand.

Ten hours after the injection, the concentration of antibiotic in the blood is decreasing at a rate of 0.018 mg/L each hour.

(d) Use the fact from parts (a) and (c) to make a guess about $C(11)$.

$$C(11) \approx C(10) + C'(10) = 0.20 - 0.018 = 0.182 \text{ mg/L}$$