

1. The following functions can all be written as the product or composition of two simpler functions. Find those simpler functions and express the original in those terms (for instance, $x^2(e^{2x} - 3)$ is a product of $f(x) = x^2$ and $g(x) = e^{2x} - 3$).

2. Differentiate all of the below functions by applying the product or composition rule to the functions you determined previously.

(a) $(e^{2x})^3 - 3(e^{2x})^2 + 8$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 + 8 \\ g(x) = e^{2x} \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{comp } f(g(x)) \rightarrow f'(g(x)) g'(x) \\ = (3(e^{2x})^2 - 6(e^{2x})) (2e^{2x}) \end{array}$$

(b) e^{x^2+x+1}

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} f(x) = e^x \\ g(x) = x^2+x+1 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{comp } f(g(x)) \rightarrow f'(g(x)) g'(x) \\ = e^{x^2+x+1} (2x+1) \end{array}$$

(c) $(x^2 - 9x)(x + 1)$

product

$$f(x) \cdot g(x)$$

$$\hookrightarrow f'(x)g(x) + f(x)g'(x) = (2x-9)(x+1) + (x^2-9x)(1)$$

(d) $e^x(x^{50} - 2x + 9)$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} f(x) = e^x \\ g(x) = x^{50} - 2x + 9 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{product } f'(x)g(x) + f(x)g'(x) \\ = e^x(x^{50} - 2x + 9) + e^x(50x^{49} - 2) \end{array}$$

(e) $(e^{x+9})^4 + (e^{x+9}) - 11$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} f(x) = x^4 + x - 11 \\ g(x) = e^{x+9} \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{comp } f'(g(x)) g'(x) \\ = (4(e^{x+9})^3 + 1) e^{x+9} \end{array}$$

(f) $(x^5 - x^2 - 1)(x^2 + 2x + 2)$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} f(x) = x^5 - x^2 - 1 \\ g(x) = x^2 + 2x + 2 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{product } f'(x)g(x) + f(x)g'(x) \\ = (5x^4 - 2x)(x^2 + 2x + 2) + (x^5 - x^2 - 1)(2x + 2) \end{array}$$

(g) e^{3x^3-9x+2}

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} f(x) = e^x \\ g(x) = 3x^3 - 9x + 2 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{comp } f'(g(x)) g'(x) \\ = e^{3x^3-9x+2} (9x^2 - 9) \end{array}$$

(h) $e^x e^x = (e^x)^2$

product

$$e^x e^x = e^x e^x = 2e^x$$

(i) e^{2x}

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{comp } f(x) = e^x \\ g(x) = 2x \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} f'(g(x)) g'(x) \\ = e^{2x} \cdot 2 \end{array}$$

3. Suppose a population 2000 carp is introduced to a lake (which previously had now carp). The carp reproduce quite rapidly, having nearly 5 baby carp per year per carp. Write a rate equation describing the ~~first~~ population function, then give an exact solution to it.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} C'(t) = 5C(t) \\ C(0) = 2000 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} C(t) = 2000 e^{5t} \\ t \text{ in years} \end{array}$$

4. Suppose you are studying a slow-growing bacteria in a lab. You start with just 1 bacterium, which takes 2 days to grow and split, making 1 additional bacterium. Write a rate equation for this situation, and its exact solution.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} B'(t) = B(t) \\ B(0) = 1 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} B(t) = e^t \\ t \text{ in 2 day units} \end{array}$$

5. (bonus, but don't skip) Recall the fundamental theorem of the derivative, which says that if $f'(x) = 0$ then $f(x)$ must be a constant function.

Look back at (h) and (i) from Question 1. You might have noticed they have the same derivative. Let's say $f(x) = e^x e^x$ and $g(x) = e^{2x}$. Since they have the same derivative, this means that

$$f'(x) - g'(x) = 0$$

What does the fundamental theorem of the derivative tell you about how $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are related to each other?