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Calculus

PS 3.3 Worksheet

DERIVATIVES WORKSHEET

Directions: For #1-10, find the derivative of the given functions.

$$1. \quad y = \frac{2x+2}{2x+3} \quad \left(\frac{u}{v}\right)' = \frac{u'v - uv'}{v^2}$$

$$y' = \frac{2(2x+3) - (2x+2)2}{(2x+3)^2} = \frac{4x+6 - 4x-4}{(2x+3)^2} \\ = \boxed{\frac{2}{(2x+3)^2}}$$

$$2. \quad y = \frac{1}{x} + \frac{3}{x^2} + \frac{2}{x^{3/2}}$$

$$y = x^{-1} + 3x^{-2} + 2x^{-3/2} \quad \text{now use power rule!} \\ y' = -x^{-2} - 6x^{-3} - 3x^{-5/2}$$

$$6. \quad y = \frac{1}{x+\sqrt{x}} = \frac{1}{x+x^{1/2}}$$

$$y' = \frac{0(x+x^{1/2}) - (1+\frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2}) \cdot 1}{(x+x^{1/2})^2} \\ y' = \frac{-(1+\frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2})}{(x+x^{1/2})^2}$$

$$7. \quad y = \frac{x(x^2-1)}{x+3} = \frac{x^3-x}{x+3}$$

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

$$3. \quad y = (3x-4)^2(2x+5) \quad \text{you can use product rule, but multiplying first is sometimes easier.}$$

$$y = \underbrace{(3x-4)}_u \underbrace{(3x-4)}_u \underbrace{(2x+5)}_v \\ y' = u'v + uv' = (3(3x-4)+3(3x-4))(2x+5) + 2(3x-4)^2 \\ = \text{this is simplified enough for now}$$

$$4. \quad y = \frac{x^2+3x+2}{x^2-1}$$

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

OR factor & simplify, then derive

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

$$5. \quad y = \frac{1}{x^3+2x+1}$$

$$y' = \frac{0(x^3+2x+1) - (3x^2+2) \cdot 1}{(x^3+2x+1)^2}$$

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

$$8. \quad y = \frac{x^2-x-4}{x^2-1}(x^2+x+1)$$

$$y = \frac{x^4-4x^3+5x^2-4x^2-4x}{x^2-1} \\ y' = \frac{(4x^3-8x-5)(x^2-1) - 2x(x^4-4x^2-5x-4)}{(x^2-1)^2}$$

$$9. \quad y = \frac{t+1}{t^2+2t+2}$$

$$y' = \frac{1(t^2+2t+2) - (2t+1)(t+1)}{(t^2+2t+2)^2}$$

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

$$10. \quad f(x) = x^4 \left(1 - \frac{2}{x+1}\right) = x^4 - \frac{2x^4}{x+1}$$

$$f'(x) = 4x^3 - \left(\frac{8x^3(x+1) - 1(2x^4)}{(x+1)^2} \right)$$

11. Find the slope of the curve $y = x^2 - 4x$ at the points where it crosses the x-axis.

$$y = x(x-4) \quad \text{This crosses the } x\text{-axis at } x=0 \text{ and } x=4$$

$$y' = 2x - 4$$

$$y' \Big|_{x=0} = \boxed{-4}$$

$$y' \Big|_{x=4} = \boxed{4}$$

12. A population of 5000 bacteria is introduced into a culture and grows in number according to the equation $P(t) = 500 \left(1 + \frac{4t}{50+t^2}\right)$ where t is measured in hours. Find the rate at which the population is growing when $t = 2$.

$$P(t) = 500 + \frac{2000t}{50+t^2}$$

$$P'(t) = \frac{2000(50+t^2) - 2t(2000t)}{(50+t^2)^2} \Bigg|_{t=2} = \frac{2000(54) - 4(4000)}{(54)^2} \approx \boxed{31.55 \text{ bacteria/hour}}$$