

Pencils and Erasers Only - No Calculators Needed.

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1 Compute and simplify the derivatives of the following:

(a) $f(x) = \sqrt{x^3 - 12x} = (x^3 - 12x)^{1/2}$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2} (x^3 - 12x)^{-1/2} (3x^2 - 12) = \frac{3x^2 - 12}{2\sqrt{x^3 - 12x}}$$

Chain Rule

(10)

$$f(x) = (g(x))^{1/2}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2} (g(x))^{-1/2} g'(x)$$

(b) $f(x) = \ln(x^3 - 12x)$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{(x^3 - 12x)} (3x^2 - 12) = \frac{3x^2 - 12}{x^3 - 12x}$$

Chain Rule

(10)

$$f(x) = \ln(g(x))$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{g(x)} g'(x) = \frac{g'(x)}{g(x)}$$

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2 Find $f'(x)$ and $f''(x)$ if $f(x) = (x+3)e^{2x}$. It's easier if you simplify as you go. *Chain Rule*

$$f'(x) \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{PR}}}{=} (1)e^{2x} + (x+3)e^{2x}(2) = e^{2x}[1 + 2(x+3)]$$

$$= e^{2x}[2x+7] \quad (10)$$

$$f''(x) = 2e^{2x}[2x+7] + e^{2x}[2] = e^{2x}[2(2x+7) + 2]$$

$$= e^{2x}[4x+16] \quad (10)$$

Need chain rule: $(e^{2x})' = e^{2x}(2) = 2e^{2x}$

If $f(x) = e^{g(x)}$, then $f'(x) = (e^{g(x)})g'(x)$

3 Sketch a bit of the graph of a function G for an interval in which $G'(x) < 0$ and $G''(x) > 0$.

$G(x)$
must be
decreasing
with
increasing
slope.

$\leftarrow G'(x) < 0$ says $G(x)$ decreases.

$\leftarrow G''(x) > 0$ says $G'(x)$ increases 10

(that is, slope increases)

$G'(x) < 0$ and $G''(x) > 0$ are to be
happening simultaneously.