

Name

Solutions

• You have 20 minutes

• No calculators

• Show sufficient work

1. (3 points) Compute the first derivative $w'(x)$ for the given function.

$$w(x) = \cot^3(e^{5x})$$

$$w(x) = (\cot(e^{5x}))^3$$

$$w'(x) = 3(\cot(e^{5x}))^2 \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(\cot(e^{5x}))$$

$$w'(x) = 3 \cot^2(e^{5x}) \cdot -\csc^2(e^{5x}) \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(e^{5x})$$

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$$w'(x) = 3 \cot^2(e^{5x}) \cdot -\csc^2(e^{5x}) \cdot e^{5x} \cdot 5$$

$$w'(x) = -15 \cot^2(e^{5x}) \csc^2(e^{5x}) e^{5x}$$

2. (2 points) Compute the second derivative $P''(t)$ for the given function.

$$P(t) = \arctan(5t^2)$$

$$P'(t) = \frac{1}{1+(5t^2)^2} \cdot \frac{d}{dt}(5t^2)$$

$$P'(t) = \frac{1}{1+25t^4} \cdot 10t$$

$$P'(t) = \frac{10t}{1+25t^4}$$

$$P''(t) = \frac{\frac{d}{dt}(10t) \cdot (1+25t^4) - 10t \cdot \frac{d}{dt}(1+25t^4)}{(1+25t^4)^2}$$

$$P''(t) = \frac{10(1+25t^4) - 10t(100t^3)}{(1+25t^4)^2}$$

$$P''(t) = \frac{10 - 750t^4}{(1+25t^4)^2}$$

3. (3 points) Find the equation of the line tangent to the given curve at the point (2, -1).

$$y^3 + x^2 = x^3 y^2 - 5$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(y^3 + x^2) = \frac{d}{dx}(x^3 y^2 - 5)$$

$$3y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} + 2x = \frac{d}{dx}(x^3) \cdot y^2 + x^3 \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(y^2) - 0$$

$$3y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} + 2x = 3x^2 y^2 + x^3 \cdot 2y \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$3y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} - 2x^3 y \frac{dy}{dx} = 3x^2 y^2 - 2x$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx}(3y^2 - 2x^3 y) = 3x^2 y^2 - 2x$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3x^2 y^2 - 2x}{3y^2 - 2x^3 y}$$

$$\text{slope at } (x,y)=(2,-1) = \left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{(x,y)=(2,-1)} = \frac{3(2)^2(-1)^2 - 2(2)}{3(-1)^2 - 2(2)^3(-1)} = \frac{8}{19}$$

Point: (2, -1)

$$\text{tangent line: } y - (-1) = \frac{8}{19}(x - 2)$$

$$y = \frac{8}{19}(x - 2) - 1$$

$$y = \frac{8}{19}x - \frac{35}{19}$$

4. (2 points) Compute $\frac{dy}{dx}$ for the given function. Write your answer completely in terms of x .

$$y = (x^{-2})^{1/x^3} = x^{-2/x^3}$$

$$y = (1/x^2)^{1/x^3}$$

(simplification is not required, but it makes the problem a little easier.)

$$\ln(y) = \ln(x^{-2/x^3})$$

$$\ln(y) = -\frac{2}{x^3} \cdot \ln(x) = \frac{-2\ln(x)}{x^3}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\ln(y)) = \frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{-2\ln(x)}{x^3}\right)$$

$$\frac{1}{y} \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\frac{d}{dx}(-2\ln(x)) \cdot x^3 - (-2\ln(x)) \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(x^3)}{(x^3)^2}$$

$$\frac{1}{y} \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-2 \cdot \frac{1}{x} \cdot x^3 + 2\ln(x) \cdot 3x^2}{x^6}$$

$$\frac{1}{y} \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-2x^2 + 6x^2\ln(x)}{x^6}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = y \cdot \frac{-2x^2 + 6x^2\ln(x)}{x^6}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = x^{-2/x^3} \cdot \frac{-2x^2 + 6x^2\ln(x)}{x^6}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = x^{-2/x^3} \cdot \frac{-2 + 6\ln(x)}{x^4}$$