

## SECTION 3-3: DERIVATIVE RULES

Read Section 3.2. Work the embedded problems.

1. Fill in the following rules:

$$(a) \frac{d}{dx} [c] = 0$$

$$(c) \frac{d}{dx} [c f(x)] = c f'(x)$$

$$(b) \frac{d}{dx} [x^n] = n x^{n-1}$$

$$(d) \frac{d}{dx} [f(x) \pm g(x)] = f'(x) \pm g'(x)$$

2. Apply the rules to find the derivative of:

$$(a) f(x) = e^3 \quad f'(x) = 0$$

$$(c) H(x) = 4x^{1/2} \quad H'(x) = 4 \cdot \frac{1}{2} x^{-1/2} = 2x^{-1/2}$$

$$(b) f(x) = x^{-4} \quad f'(x) = -4x^{-5}$$

$$(d) j(x) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + x - x^{2.3} \\ j'(x) = 0 + 1 - 2.3x^{1.3}$$

3. Fill in the following rules:

$$(a) \frac{d}{dx} [f(x)g(x)] = f' \cdot g + f \cdot g'$$

$$(b) \frac{d}{dx} \left[ \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \right] = \frac{g \cdot f' - f \cdot g'}{g^2}$$

4. Find the derivative of each of the following:

$$(a) H(x) = (3x^2 + 1)\left(\frac{1}{x} + x\right) = (3x^2 + 1)(x^{-1} + x) \\ H'(x) = (6x)\left(\frac{1}{x} + x\right) + (3x^2 + 1)(-x^{-2} + 1) \\ = 6 + 6x^2 - 3 + 3x^2 - x^{-2} + 1 \\ = 9x^2 - x^{-2} + 4$$

$$(b) G(x) = \frac{x^2}{x^2 + 1}$$

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

5. Notation:

$$f'(x), y', y'(x), \frac{dy}{dx}, \frac{df}{dx}, \frac{d}{dx}[f(x)]$$

6. Higher order derivatives

Example:  $y = x^3 - 2\sqrt{x} + \pi = x^3 - 2x^{1/2} + \pi$

$$y' = 3x^2 - x^{-1/2} + 0$$

$$y'' = 6x + \frac{1}{2}x^{-3/2}$$

$$y''' = 6 - \frac{3}{4}x^{-5/2}$$

$$y^{(4)} = \frac{15}{8}x^{-7/2}$$

⋮

s-feet t-seconds

7. The vertical height of an object is given by  $s(t) = -16t^2 + 20t + 100$ . Find  $s'(t)$  and  $s''(t)$ . Include units.

$$s'(t) = -32t + 20 \quad \text{units: ft/sec}$$

$$s''(t) = -32 \quad \text{units ft/sec/sec} = \text{ft/s}^2$$

$$s' = v = \text{velocity}$$

$$s'' = v' = a = \text{acceleration}$$