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- There are 12 points possible on this proficiency, one point per problem. **No partial credit will be given.**
- You have 60 minutes to complete this proficiency.
- No aids (book, calculator, etc.) are permitted.
- You do **not** need to simplify your expressions, but you must show sufficient work to justify your final expression.
- Your final answers **must start with** $f'(x) =$, $dy/dx =$, or similar.
- **Circle or box your final answer.**

1. [12 points] Compute the derivatives of the following functions.

a. $f(x) = x^e + \frac{\pi}{2x} - \frac{4}{\pi^2}$

$$f'(x) = e x^{e-1} - \frac{\pi}{2} x^{-2}$$

b. $g(x) = x \tan(x)$

$$g'(x) = \tan(x) + x \sec^2(x)$$

c. $h(x) = \sec^4(3x)$

$$\begin{aligned} h'(x) &= 4 \sec^3(3x) \cdot \sec(3x) \cdot \tan(3x) \cdot 3 \\ &= 12 \sec^4(3x) \tan(3x) \end{aligned}$$

d. $f(x) = \arctan(x^2)$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{1+x^4} \cdot 2x$$

e. $y = (\cos(x) + x^{-3.2})^5$

$$y' = 5(\cos(x) + x^{-3.2})^4 \cdot (-\sin(x) - 3.2x^{-4.2})$$

f. $f(\theta) = \frac{\sqrt{10}}{\sin(\theta)} = \sqrt{10} \csc(\theta)$

$$f'(\theta) = -\sqrt{10} \csc\theta \cdot \cot\theta$$

g. $y = e^{-x} \cos\left(\frac{x}{3}\right)$

$$y' = -e^{-x} \cos\left(\frac{x}{3}\right) - e^{-x} \sin\left(\frac{x}{3}\right) \cdot \frac{1}{3}$$

h. $y = \ln\left(2\sqrt{x^6 e^x}\right)$

$$\begin{aligned} y' &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x^6 e^x}} \cdot 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} (x^6 e^x)^{-1/2} \cdot (6x^5 e^x + x^6 e^x) \\ &= \frac{(6x^5 + x^6) e^x}{2x^6 e^x} = \frac{6x^5 + x^6}{2x^6} = \frac{3}{x} + \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

i. $f(x) = \frac{x^5}{(x^2+2)^3}$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{5x^4(x^2+2)^3 - x^5 \cdot 3 \cdot (x^2+2)^2 \cdot 2x}{(x^2+2)^6} \\ &= \frac{5x^4(x^2+2)^3 - 6x^6(x^2+2)^2}{(x^2+2)^6} = \frac{5x^4(x^2+2) - 6x^6}{(x^2+2)^4} \end{aligned}$$

j. $f(x) = \cot(x^2 - bx)$ where b is a constant

$$f'(x) = -\csc^2(x^2 - bx) \cdot (2x - b)$$

k. $f(x) = \frac{x + 2 \sin(x)}{\sin(8)}$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{\sin(8)} + \frac{2}{\sin(8)} \cos(x)$$

l. Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ for $x^2 - y^3 = ye^x$. You must solve for $\frac{dy}{dx}$.

$$\begin{aligned} 2x - 3y^2 y' &= y' e^x + y e^x && \rightarrow && 2x - y e^x = y' e^x + 3y^2 y' \\ \rightarrow y' (e^x + 3y^2) &= 2x - y e^x \\ \rightarrow y' = \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{2x - y e^x}{e^x + 3y^2} \end{aligned}$$