

Quiz 3

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Please show all work for full credit.

1. Find the derivatives of the following functions. You may use any rule of differentiation. You don't need to simplify your answer.

a) $y = \frac{x}{(x^2 + 3)^{10}}$

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$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{(x^2 + 3)^{10} \cdot 1 - x \cdot 10(x^2 + 3)^9 \cdot 2x}{(x^2 + 3)^{20}}$$

b) $y = \tan(\sin(\sqrt{x}))$ Here $y = f(g(x))$ where $f(x) = \tan x$ and $g(x) = \sin \sqrt{x}$.

So $f'(x) = \sec^2 x$, and $f'(g(x)) = \sec^2(\sin \sqrt{x})$.

To find $g'(x)$, write $g(x) = h(w(x))$, where $h(x) = \sin x$ and $w(x) = \sqrt{x}$. So $h'(x) = \cos x$ and $w'(x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$. So

$g'(x) = h'(w(x)) \cdot w'(x) = \cos(\sqrt{x}) \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$. And $f'(g(x)) \cdot g'(x) = \sec^2(\sin \sqrt{x}) \cdot \cos(\sqrt{x}) \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$.

2. Find the equation of the tangent line to the graph of $xy^4 + 1 = 17$ at the point (1, 2).

$$\frac{d}{dx}(xy^4 + 1) = \frac{d}{dx}(17)$$

$$x \cdot 4y^3 \frac{dy}{dx} + 1 \cdot y^4 + 0 = 0$$

$$4xy^3 \frac{dy}{dx} + y^4 = 0$$

$$4xy^3 \frac{dy}{dx} = -y^4$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-y^4}{4xy^3} = \frac{-y}{4x}, \text{ at } (x, y) = (1, 2), \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-2}{4} = \frac{-1}{2}$$

So the slope of the tangent line is $-\frac{1}{2}$, and

the equation is $(y - 2) = -\frac{1}{2}(x - 1)$.

