

DERIVATIVES (Chain Rule and Product Rule)

Remember the following:

- a) when you simplify radicals work with fractional exponents
- b) when you move an expression from the denominator to the numerator the sign on the exponent changes from a positive to a negative.
- c) when you subtract one from a negative exponent the exponent gets smaller (larger negative value) ex: $x^{-3} \Rightarrow x^{-3-1} \Rightarrow x^{-4}$
- d) when removing a common factor from an expression always look for the smallest common exponent

$$\text{ex: } x^{\frac{2}{3}} + 5x^{\frac{1}{3}} \Rightarrow x^{\frac{1}{3}} \left(x^{\frac{1}{3}} + 5 \right)$$

$$x^{-\frac{5}{8}} + x^{-\frac{3}{8}} + x \Rightarrow x^{-\frac{5}{8}} \left(1 + x^{\frac{2}{8}} + x^{\frac{13}{8}} \right)$$

$$1. \quad f(x) = x^2 + 4x - 6$$

$$f'(x) = 2x + 4$$

$$2. \quad f(x) = x^3 - 5x^2 + 4x + 11$$

$$f'(x) = 3x^2 - 10x + 4$$

$$3. \quad f(x) = (x^6 - x^4 + 2x)$$

$$f'(x) = 6x^5 - 4x^3 + 2$$

$$4. \quad f(x) = (x^{12} + x^7 - x^3 + 2)$$

$$f'(x) = 12x^{11} + 7x^6 - 3x^2$$

$$5. \quad f(x) = (x + 1)^2$$

$$f'(x) = 2(x+1) \cdot 1$$

$$f'(x) = 2(x+1)$$

$$6. \quad f(x) = (x - 5)^4$$

$$f'(x) = 4(x - 5)^3$$

$$7. \quad f(x) = (4x + 2)^5$$

$$f'(x) = 5(4x + 2)^4 \cdot 4$$

$$f'(x) = 20(4x + 2)^4$$

$$f'(x) = 40(2x + 1)^4$$

$$8. \quad f(x) = (9x + 5)^7$$

$$f'(x) = 7(9x + 5)^6 \cdot 9$$

$$f'(x) = 63(9x + 5)^6$$

$$9. \quad f(x) = (7x + 3)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2}(7x + 3)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \cdot 7$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{7}{2(7x + 3)^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

$$10. \quad f(x) = (x^2 + 3x)^{\frac{5}{3}}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{5}{3}(x^2 + 3x)^{\frac{2}{3}} \cdot (2x + 3)$$

$$f(x) = (7x^3 + 6x - 5)^{-\frac{3}{7}}$$

11. $f'(x) = \frac{-3}{7}(7x^3 + 6x - 5)^{-\frac{10}{7}} \cdot (21x^2 + 6)$

$$f'(x) = \frac{-9(7x^2 + 2)}{7(7x^3 + 6x - 5)^{\frac{10}{7}}}$$

$$f(x) = \sqrt[3]{5x^3 + 7x - 4}$$

$$f(x) = (5x^3 + 7x - 4)^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

13. $f'(x) = \frac{1}{3}(5x^3 + 7x - 4)^{\frac{-2}{3}} \cdot (15x^2 + 7)$

$$f'(x) = \frac{(15x^2 + 7)}{3(5x^3 + 7x - 4)^{\frac{2}{3}}}$$

$$f(x) = \sqrt[7]{(4x^2 - 5x + 1)^2}$$

$$f(x) = (4x^2 - 5x + 1)^{\frac{2}{7}}$$

15. $f'(x) = \frac{2}{7}(4x^2 - 5x + 1)^{\frac{-5}{7}} \cdot (8x - 5)$

$$f'(x) = \frac{2(8x - 5)}{7(4x^2 - 5x + 1)^{\frac{5}{7}}}$$

$$f(x) = (4x^3 + 3)^2$$

17. $f'(x) = -2(4x^3 + 3)^{-3} \cdot 12x^2$

$$f'(x) = \frac{-24x^2}{(4x^3 + 3)^3}$$

$$f(x) = (2x^2 + x - 1)^2$$

19. $f'(x) = -2(2x^2 + x - 1)^{-3} \cdot (4x + 1)$

$$f'(x) = \frac{-2(4x + 1)}{(2x^2 + x - 1)^3}$$

$$f(x) = \sqrt{x^3 + 5x}$$

$$f(x) = (x^3 + 5)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

12. $f'(x) = \frac{1}{2}(x^3 + 5x)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \cdot (3x^2 + 5)$

$$f'(x) = \frac{(3x^2 + 5)}{2(x^3 + 5x)^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

$$f(x) = \sqrt[5]{(5x - 3)^4}$$

$$f(x) = (5x - 3)^{\frac{4}{5}}$$

14. $f'(x) = \frac{4}{5}(5x - 3)^{\frac{-1}{5}} \cdot 5$

$$f'(x) = \frac{4}{(5x - 3)^{\frac{1}{5}}}$$

$$f(x) = \sqrt[3]{(x^2 + 3)^6}$$

16. $f(x) = (x^2 + 3)^{\frac{6}{3}} = (x^2 + 3)^2$

$$f'(x) = 2(x^2 + 3) \cdot 2x$$

$$f'(x) = 4x(x^2 + 3)$$

$$f(x) = (5x^3 - 2x^2 + 3x)^{-3}$$

$$f'(x) = -3(5x^3 - 2x^2 + 3x)^{-4} \cdot (15x^2 - 4x + 3)$$

18. $f'(x) = \frac{-3(15x^2 - 4x + 3)}{(5x^3 - 2x^2 + 3x)^4}$

$$f'(x) = \frac{-3(15x^2 - 4x + 3)}{x^4(5x^2 - 2x + 3)^4}$$

$$f(x) = (4x^4 - 3x^2 + 5)^6$$

20. $f'(x) = -6(4x^4 - 3x^2 + 5)^{-7} \cdot (16x^3 - 6x)$

$$f'(x) = \frac{-6 \cdot 2x(8x^2 - 3)}{(4x^4 - 3x^2 + 5)^7} = \frac{-12x(8x^2 - 3)}{(4x^4 - 3x^2 + 5)^7}$$

- $f(x) = x^{-3} + 2x^{-4} - 3x^{-1}$
 21. $f'(x) = -3x^{-4} - 8x^{-5} + 3x^{-2}$
 $f'(x) = x^{-5}(-3x - 8 + 3x^3)$
- $f(x) = \frac{1}{(x-3)} = (x-3)^{-1}$
 23. $f'(x) = -1(x-3)^{-2}$
 $f'(x) = \frac{-1}{(x-3)^2}$
- $f(x) = \frac{9}{(4x-2)^3} = 9(4x-2)^{-3}$
 25. $f'(x) = 9 \cdot -3(4x-2)^{-4} \cdot 4$
 $f'(x) = \frac{-108}{(4x-2)^4} = \frac{-108}{2^4(2x-1)^4} = \frac{-27}{4(2x-1)^4}$
- $f(x) = \frac{5}{\sqrt{4x-6}} = 5(4x-6)^{\frac{-1}{2}}$
 27. $f'(x) = 5 \cdot -\frac{1}{2}(4x-6)^{\frac{-3}{2}} \cdot 4$
 $f'(x) = -10(4x-6)^{\frac{-3}{2}}$
 $f'(x) = \frac{-10}{(4x-6)^{\frac{3}{2}}} = \frac{-10}{2^{\frac{3}{2}}(2x-3)^{\frac{3}{2}}}$
- $f(x) = \frac{9}{\sqrt[5]{(4x-5)^3}} = 9(4x-5)^{\frac{-3}{5}}$
 29. $f'(x) = 9 \cdot -\frac{3}{5}(4x-5)^{\frac{-8}{5}} \cdot 4$
 $f'(x) = \frac{-108}{5(4x-5)^{\frac{8}{5}}}$
- $f(x) = x^{-7} + 5x^{-3} - 9x$
 $f'(x) = -7x^{-8} - 15x^{-4} - 9$
 22. $f'(x) = x^{-8}(-7 - 15x^4 - 9x^8)$
 $f'(x) = \frac{(-7 - 15x^4 - 9x^8)}{x^8}$
- $f(x) = \frac{5}{(2x-7)} = 5(2x-7)^{-1}$
 24. $f'(x) = 5 \cdot -1(2x-7)^{-2} \cdot 2$
 $f'(x) = \frac{-10}{(2x-7)^2}$
- $f(x) = \frac{9}{(4x^3-7x)^2} = 9(4x^3-7x)^{-2}$
 26. $f'(x) = 9 \cdot -2(4x^3-7x)^{-3} \cdot (12x^2-7)$
 $f'(x) = -\frac{9(12x^2-7)}{2x^3(4x^2-7)^3}$
- $f(x) = \frac{7}{\sqrt[4]{3x^2-7x+1}} = 7(3x^2-7x+1)^{\frac{-1}{4}}$
 28. $f'(x) = 7 \cdot -\frac{1}{4} \cdot (3x^2-7x+1)^{\frac{-5}{4}} \cdot (6x-7)$
 $f'(x) = \frac{-7(6x-7)}{4(3x^2-7x+1)^{\frac{5}{4}}}$
- $f(x) = (2x+3)(4x-5) = 8x^2 + 2x - 15$
 30. $f'(x) = 16x + 2 = 2(8x+1)$