

## Section 3.2

**Exercise 1.** Find the derivatives

1.  $f_1(x) = 3$  at  $a$  where  $a$  is a real number.
  
2.  $f_2(x) = x^3$  at  $a$  where  $a$  is a real number.
  
3.  $f_3(x) = \sqrt{x}$  at  $a$  where  $a$  is a real number.
  
4.  $g(x) = 5x^3$  at  $a$  where  $a$  is a real number. Check that  $g'(x) = 5f_2'(x)$ .

**Theorem:** Let  $f$  and  $g$  be 2 functions,  $k$  and  $n$  be 2 real numbers with  $n \neq 0$ .

<i>Function</i>	<i>Derivative</i>	<i>Example</i>
<i>Constant</i>	0	$(3)' = 0$
$x^n$	$nx^{n-1}$	$(x^3)' = 3x^2$
$kf$	$kf'(x)$	$(5x^3)' = 5(3x^2)$
$f + g$	$f' + g'$	$(x^3 + x^2)' = 3x^2 + 2x$
$f - g$	$f' - g'$	$(x^3 - x^2)' = 3x^2 - 2x$
$fg$	$f'g + g'f$	$((x^2 - 1)(x^3))' =$ $(2x)(x^3) + (x^2 - 1)(3x^2)$
$\frac{f}{g}$	$\frac{f'g - g'f}{g^2}$	$\left(\frac{x^2 - x}{x^3 + 1}\right)' =$ $\frac{(2x - 1)(x^3 + 1) - (3x^2)(x^2 - x)}{(x^3 + 1)^2}$

**Exercise 2.** Using the derivative rules, find the derivatives of the following functions:

1.  $f(x) = x^5 - x^2 + 3x + 7.$

2.  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2} + 5\sqrt{x} - 7x^{-3} + \frac{3}{x} + \sqrt[3]{x^2}.$

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

4.  $f(x) = (x^2 + 4)\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right).$

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

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

**Exercise 3.** Find a Cartesian equation of the tangent line to the curve  $y = \frac{x}{x-1}$  at the point  $(3, 3/2)$ .

**Exercise 4.** (44p168) Find the equations of the tangent line to the curve  $y = \frac{x-1}{x+1}$  that is parallel to the line  $x - 2y = 1$ .

**Exercise 5.** For values of  $x$  does the graph of  $f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 - 9x + 18$  has horizontal tangent?

**Exercise 6.** (69p169)

1. For what values of  $x$  is the function  $f(x) = |x^2 - 9|$  differentiable? Find a formula for  $f'$ .

2. Sketch the graph of  $f$  and  $f'$ .

**Exercise 7.** (53p169) Given the curve  $y = \sqrt[3]{x}$ .

Find an equation to the normal line to the curve at the point  $(-8, -2)$ . (The normal line to a curve  $C$  at a point  $P$  is the line that passes through  $P$  and that is orthogonal to the tangent line to  $C$  at  $P$ )