

# Differentiation Rules

## Warm up

Use the limit definition of the derivative to calculate the following derivatives.

$$1. \frac{d}{dx}(5x + 2) = 5$$

$$2. \frac{d}{dx}(3x - 1) = 3$$

$$3. \frac{d}{dx}[(5x + 2) + (3x - 1)] = 8$$

$$4. \frac{d}{dx}[(5x + 2)(3x - 1)] = 30x + 1$$

$$5. \frac{d}{dx}15x^2 = 30x$$

$$6. \frac{d}{dx}(15x^2 + x - 2) = 30x + 1$$

Remember the power rule says  $\frac{d}{dx}x^a = ax^{a-1}$ .

Based on your calculations above, which of the following statements seem to be true and which seem to be false?

- (a) If you multiply a function  $f(x)$  by a number  $c$  and then take a derivative, you get the same thing as taking the derivative  $f'(x)$  and then multiplying by  $c$ . (try comparing 5 to the power rule) **true?**
- (b) If you add two functions  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  and take a derivative, you get the same answer as taking the derivatives  $f'(x)$  and  $g'(x)$  and then adding those together. (try comparing 1-3, and then 6 to the power rule) **true?**
- (c) If you multiply two functions  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  and take a derivative, you get the same answer as taking the derivatives  $f'(x)$  and  $g'(x)$  and then multiplying those together. (try comparing 1, 2, and 4) **false!**

$$1. \frac{d}{dx} (5x+2) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{5(x+h)+2 - (5x+2)}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{5h}{h} = \boxed{5}$$

$$2. \frac{d}{dx} (3x-1) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{3(x+h)-1 - (3x-1)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{3h}{h} = \boxed{3}$$

$$3. \frac{d}{dx} [(5x+2) + (3x-1)] = \frac{d}{dx} [8x+1] = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{8(x+h)+1 - (8x+1)}{h}$$

simplify first

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{8h}{h} = \boxed{8}$$

$$4. \frac{d}{dx} [(5x+2)(3x-1)] = \frac{d}{dx} (15x^2 + x - 2)$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{15(x+h)^2 + (x+h) - 2 - (15x^2 + x - 2)}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} (15x^2 + \underline{30xh} + \underline{15h^2} + x + \underline{h} - 2 - 15x^2 - x + 2)$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 30x + \underline{15h} + 1 = \boxed{30x + 1}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 5. \frac{d}{dx} [15x^2] &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{15(x+h)^2 - 15x^2}{h} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{15x^2 + 30xh + 15h^2 - 15x^2}{h} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 30x + \underbrace{15h}_0 = \boxed{30x}
 \end{aligned}$$

6. Notice  $(5x+2)(3x-1) = 15x^2 + x - 2$ ,  
 so by #4,  $\frac{d}{dx}(15x^2 + x - 2) = 30x + 1$ .

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Power rule:  $\frac{d}{dx} 1 = 0$ ,  $\frac{d}{dx} x = 1$ ,  $\frac{d}{dx} x^2 = 2x$ .

(a) Look at 5: We calculated  $\frac{d}{dx} 15x^2 = 30x$ ,  
 which is  $15 \times \frac{d}{dx} x^2$ .

(b) In 1, we showed  $\frac{d}{dx} 5x + 2 = \boxed{5}$

In 2, we showed  $\frac{d}{dx} 3x - 1 = \boxed{3}$

In 3, we get

$\frac{d}{dx} (5x+2) + (3x-1) = 8$ , which is  
 $5 + 3$ .

(c) In 1, we got  $\frac{d}{dx} 5x+2 = 5$   
and in 2 we got  $\frac{d}{dx} 3x-1 = 3,$   
but in 4, we got

$$\frac{d}{dx} (5x+2)(3x-1) = 30x + 1$$

which is not  $5 * 3 = 15.$

## Multiplying by constants: what's going on?

Take another look at  $f(x) = 15x^2$ . Before, we just expanded and canceled, and were surprised to find something nice happened:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dx} [15x^2] &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{15(x+h)^2 - 15x^2}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{15x^2 + 30xh + 15h^2 - 15x^2}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 30x + \frac{15h}{\downarrow 0} = \boxed{30x}\end{aligned}$$

Let's try again, only pay closer attention to that 15:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dx} 15x^2 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{15(x+h)^2 - 15x^2}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 15 * \frac{((x+h)^2 - x^2)}{h} \\ &= 15 * \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x+h)^2 - x^2}{h} \\ &= \frac{d}{dx} x^2\end{aligned}$$

one of our limit rules!

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one of our limit rules!

But now suppose you have any differentiable function  $f(x)$  and a number  $c$ . [Think:  $f(x) = x^2$  and  $c = 15$ ]. Then *in general*

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dx} (c * f(x)) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{c * f(x+h) - c * f(x)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} c * \frac{(f(x+h) - f(x))}{h} \\ &\stackrel{\text{limit rule}}{=} c * \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(f(x+h) - f(x))}{h} = c * \frac{d}{dx} f(x)\end{aligned}$$

# Multiplying by constants

## Theorem (Scalars)

If  $y = f(x)$  is a differentiable function and  $c$  is a constant, then

$$\frac{d}{dx}(c * f(x)) = c * \frac{d}{dx}f(x).$$

## Example

Since  $\frac{d}{dx}x^2 = 2x$ , we have  $\frac{d}{dx}15x^2 = 15 * 2x = 30x$ .



## Taking sums: what's going on?

Take another look at  $f(x) = (5x + 2) + (3x - 1)$ . Before, we just simplified first, and were surprised:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} [(5x+2) + (3x-1)] &= \frac{d}{dx} [8x + 1] = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{8(x+h) + 1 - (8x+1)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{8h}{h} = \boxed{8} \end{aligned}$$

*simplify first*

Let's try again, only pay closer attention to either part of the sum:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} ((5x+2) + (3x-1)) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(5(x+h)+2) + (3(x+h)-1) - [5x+2+3x-1]}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[ \frac{(5(x+h)+2) - (5x+2)}{h} + \frac{(3(x+h)-1) - (3x-1)}{h} \right] \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{[5(x+h)+2] - (5x+2)}{h} + \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{[3(x+h)-1] - (3x-1)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{5(x+h)+2 - (5x+2)}{h} + \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{3(x+h)-1 - (3x-1)}{h} \\ &= \frac{d}{dx} (5x+2) + \frac{d}{dx} (3x-1) \end{aligned}$$

*because  $\frac{a+b}{c} = \frac{a}{c} + \frac{b}{c}$*

*limit rule!*

Now, suppose you have any differentiable functions  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$   
 [Think:  $f(x) = 5x + 2$  and  $g(x) = 3x - 1$ ]. Then *in general*

$$\begin{aligned}
 \underline{\underline{\frac{d}{dx} [f(x) + g(x)]}} &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\overbrace{(f(x+h) + g(x+h))}^{\text{go together!}} - \underbrace{(f(x) + g(x))}_{\text{go together!}}}{h} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[ \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} + \frac{g(x+h) - g(x)}{h} \right] \quad \left( \text{because } \frac{a+b}{c} = \frac{a}{c} + \frac{b}{c} \right) \\
 &\stackrel{\text{limit rule!}}{=} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} + \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(x+h) - g(x)}{h} \\
 &= \underline{\underline{\frac{d}{dx} f(x) + \frac{d}{dx} g(x)}}
 \end{aligned}$$

## Theorem (Sums)

If  $f$  and  $g$  are differentiable functions, then

$$\frac{d}{dx}(f(x) + g(x)) = f'(x) + g'(x)$$

## Example

Use the three rules we have so far

$$\frac{d}{dx}x^a = ax^{a-1}, \quad \frac{d}{dx}c * f(x) = c * \left( \frac{d}{dx}f(x) \right),$$

$$\text{and } \frac{d}{dx}(f(x) + g(x)) = \frac{d}{dx}f(x) + \frac{d}{dx}g(x)$$

to calculate the derivatives:

1.  $\frac{d}{dx}(x^3 - 7x^2 + 6x^{-15})$

$$= \frac{d}{dx}x^3 - 7 * \frac{d}{dx}x^2 + 6 * \frac{d}{dx}x^{-15} = \boxed{3x^2 - 7 * 2x + 6(-15)x^{-16}}$$

2.  $\frac{d}{dx} \left( \sqrt{x} + 100 \sqrt[17]{x^3} - \frac{3}{x^{19}} \right) = \frac{d}{dx} (x^{1/2} + 100x^{3/17} - 3x^{-19})$

$$= \frac{d}{dx}x^{1/2} + 100 * \frac{d}{dx}x^{3/17} - 3 * \frac{d}{dx}x^{-19}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2} + 100 * \frac{3}{17}x^{-14/17} - 3 * (-19)x^{-20}}$$

[hint: rewrite everything from 2 as powers before you do anything]

## Products: What's going on?

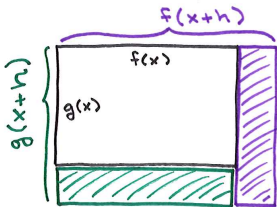
Take another look at  $f(x) = (5x + 2) * (3x - 1)$ . Before, we just simplified first, and were... not surprised:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dx}[(5x+2)(3x-1)] &= \frac{d}{dx}(15x^2 + x - 2) \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{15(x+h)^2 + (x+h) - 2 - (15x^2 + x - 2)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} (15x^2 + \underline{30xh} + \underline{15h^2} + x + \underline{h} - 2 - 15x^2 - x + 2) \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 30x + \underline{15h} + 1 = \boxed{30x + 1}\end{aligned}$$

We *didn't* get that the derivative of the products is the product of the derivatives! So what *is* going on here?

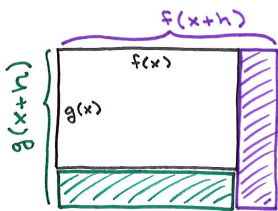
To understand how to deal with products, we're going to have to unpack the formula

$$\frac{d}{dx} f(x) * g(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) * g(x+h) - f(x) * g(x)}{h}$$



$$f(x+h) * g(x+h) - f(x) * g(x) = \underbrace{\text{[green hatched rectangle]}}_{g(x+h) - g(x)} + \underbrace{\text{[purple hatched rectangle]}}_{f(x+h) - f(x)}$$

$$= f(x) * (g(x+h) - g(x)) + g(x+h) * (f(x+h) - f(x))$$



$$\begin{aligned}
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 &= f(x) * (g(x+h) - g(x)) \\
 &\quad + g(x+h) * (f(x+h) - f(x))
 \end{aligned}$$

So

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{d}{dx} f(x) * g(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) * g(x+h) - f(x) * g(x)}{h} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \left( f(x) * [g(x+h) - g(x)] + g(x+h) [f(x+h) - f(x)] \right)
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## Theorem (Products)

If  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  are differentiable functions, then

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

**Example:** Calculate  $\frac{d}{dx}((5x + 2)(3x - 1))$ :

$$\frac{d}{dx}((5x + 2)(3x - 1)) = (5x + 2) \cdot 3 + (3x - 1) \cdot 5 = \boxed{30x+1} \text{ ☺}$$

$f \uparrow \quad g \uparrow \quad f \cdot g' + g \cdot f'$



## Last rule: Compositions.

**Example:** Calculate  $\frac{d}{dx}(5x + 2)^{100}$ .

If  $f(x) = x^{100}$  and  $g(x) = 5x + 2$ , then  $f(g(x)) = (5x + 2)^{100}$ .

So since  $f'(x) = 100x^{99}$  and  $g'(x) = 5$ , if everything were right and just in the world, we would hope that

$$\frac{d}{dx}(5x + 2)^{100} = 100(5)^{99}$$

**But it's not!!**

$$\frac{d}{dx}(5x + 2)^{100} \neq 100(5)^{99}$$

### Theorem (Chain rule)

If  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  are differentiable functions, then

$$\frac{d}{dx}((f \circ g)(x)) = \frac{d}{dx}(f(g(x))) = f'(g(x)) \cdot g'(x).$$

## Last rule: Compositions.

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We won't prove this identity, but we can kind of see where it's coming from:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} f(g(x)) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(g(x+h)) - f(g(x))}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(g(x+h)) - f(g(x))}{g(x+h) - g(x)} \times \frac{g(x+h) - g(x)}{h} \end{aligned}$$

$\downarrow$   
how  $f$  changes versus  $g(x)$  (instead of versus  $x$ )

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In Leibniz notation:

$$\frac{d}{dx} f(g(x)) = \frac{df}{dg} * \frac{dg}{dx}$$

Chain rule:  $\frac{d}{dx}(f(g(x))) = f'(g(x)) \cdot g'(x)$ .

### Example

Calculate  $\frac{d}{dx}(5x + 2)^{100}$ .

Here,

$$f(x) = x^{100} \quad \text{and} \quad g(x) = 5x + 2.$$

So

$$f'(x) = 100x^{99} \quad \text{and} \quad g'(x) = 5$$

and so

$$\frac{d}{dx}(5x + 2)^{100} = 100(5x + 2)^{99} \cdot 5.$$

Chain rule:  $\frac{d}{dx}(f(g(x))) = f'(g(x)) \cdot g'(x)$ .

### Example

Calculate  $\frac{d}{dx}(\sqrt{x^7 + 5})$ .

Here,

$$f(x) = \sqrt{x} = x^{1/2} \quad \text{and} \quad g(x) = x^7 + 5.$$

So

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \quad \text{and} \quad g'(x) = 7x^6$$

and so

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\sqrt{x^7 + 5}) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x^7 + 5}} \cdot 7x^6.$$

## Derivative rules

In summary, the derivative rules we have now are

1. **Power rule:**  $\frac{d}{dx}x^a = ax^{a-1}$

2. **Scalar rule:**  $\frac{d}{dx}c * f(x) = c * \frac{d}{dx}f(x)$

3. **Sum rule:**  $\frac{d}{dx}(f(x) + g(x)) = \frac{d}{dx}f(x) + \frac{d}{dx}g(x)$

4. **Product rule:**  $\frac{d}{dx}(f(x) * g(x)) = f(x)\frac{d}{dx}g(x) + g(x)\frac{d}{dx}f(x)$

5. **Chain rule:**  $\frac{d}{dx}f(g(x)) = f'(g(x)) * g'(x)$

## Examples

Use everything you know to calculate the derivatives of

1.  $(3x^2 + x + 1)(5x + 1)$

2.  $(3x^2 + x + 1)(5x + 1)^2$

3.  $(5x + 1)^{10}$

4.  $(3x^2 + x + 1)(5x + 1)^{10}$

5.  $\frac{\sqrt{x^2 - x}}{x + x^{-1}}$

6.  $\frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{x^2 + 7x^{1/2}}}$

Use the derivative rules (not limits) to prove the identities

a. **Reciprocal identity:**  $\frac{d}{dx} \frac{1}{f(x)} = -\frac{f'(x)}{f^2(x)}$

b. **Quotient identity:**  $\frac{d}{dx} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{f'(x)g(x) - g'(x)f(x)}{g^2(x)}$

c. **Many products identity:**

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{d}{dx} (f(x) * g(x) * h(x) * k(x)) \\ &= \left( f(x)g(x)h(x) \right) * k'(x) + \left( f(x)g(x)k(x) \right) * h'(x) \\ & \quad + \left( f(x)h(x)k(x) \right) * g'(x) + \left( g(x)h(x)k(x) \right) * f'(x) \end{aligned}$$

### a. Reciprocal identity:

Rewrite  $\frac{1}{f(x)} = (f(x))^{-1}$

So, using chain rule,  $\frac{d}{dx} \frac{1}{f(x)} = \frac{d}{dx} (f(x))^{-1}$

$$= -(f(x))^{-2} * f'(x)$$

(chain rule)

$$= -\frac{f'(x)}{f^2(x)} \quad \checkmark$$

### b. Quotient rule

Rewrite  $f(x)/g(x) = f(x) * (g(x))^{-1}$

so

$$\frac{d}{dx} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{d}{dx} f(x) * (g(x))^{-1}$$
$$= f'(x) * (g(x))^{-1} + f(x) * (- (g(x))^{-2}) * g'(x)$$

(product and then chain rule)

$$= \frac{f'(x)}{g(x)} * \frac{g(x)}{g(x)} - \frac{f(x)g'(x)}{g^2(x)}$$
$$= \frac{f'(x)g(x) - f(x)g'(x)}{g^2(x)} \quad \checkmark$$

### c. Many Products identity:

$$\frac{d}{dx} (f(x) * (g(x) * h(x) * k(x))) = f'(x) * g(x) * h(x) * k(x)$$

$$+ f(x) * \frac{d}{dx} (g(x) * h(x) * k(x))$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (g(x) * (h(x) * k(x))) = g'(x) * (h(x) * k(x)) + g(x) * \frac{d}{dx} (h(x) * k(x))$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (h(x) * k(x)) = h'(x) * k(x) + k'(x) * h(x).$$

put it back together...



Calculate  $\frac{d}{dx}$  of ...

①  $(3x^2 + x + 1)(5x + 1)$

Two ways:

① expand first:

$$(3x^2 + x + 1)(5x + 1) = 15x^3 + 8x^2 + 6x + 1$$

$\downarrow \frac{d}{dx}$

$$45x^2 + 16x + 6$$

② product rule:

$$\frac{d}{dx} (3x^2 + x + 1)(5x + 1)$$

$$= (3x^2 + x + 1) \cdot 5 + (5x + 1)(6x + 1)$$

↑ "done" here.

but to compare to ① ...

$$= 15x^2 + 5x + 5 + 30x^2 + 11x + 1$$

$$= 45x^2 + 16x + 6 \quad \text{"}$$

$$(2) \quad y = (3x^2 + x + 1)(5x + 1)^2$$

Lots of ways, including:

(a) Expand all the way:

$$(3x^2 + x + 1)(5x + 1)^2 = 75x^4 + 55x^3 + 38x^2 + 11x + 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{so } \frac{dy}{dx} &= 4 \cdot 75x^3 + 3 \cdot 55x^2 + 2 \cdot 38x + 11 \\ &= \boxed{300x^3 + 165x^2 + 76x + 11} \end{aligned}$$

(b) Expand the  $(5x + 1)^2$ :

$$(3x^2 + x + 1)(5x + 1)^2 = (3x^2 + x + 1)(25x^2 + 10x + 1)$$

$\downarrow \frac{d}{dx}$

product rule:

$$(3x^2 + x + 1)(50x + 10) + (25x^2 + 10x + 1)(6x + 1)$$

$\uparrow$  "done"

$$\begin{aligned} &= 150x^3 + 80x^2 + 60x + 10 \\ &\quad + 150x^3 + 85x^2 + 16x + 1 \\ &= 300x^3 + 165x^2 + 76x + 1 \quad \text{"} \end{aligned}$$

(c) two product rules:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} &\left( (3x^2 + x + 1)(5x + 1) \right) (5x + 1) \\ &= \underbrace{(3x^2 + x + 1)(5x + 1)} \cdot 5 + (5x + 1) \cdot \underbrace{\frac{d}{dx} (3x^2 + x + 1)(5x + 1)} \\ &= 75x^3 + 40x^2 + 30x + 5 + (5x + 1) \left[ (3x^2 + x + 1) \cdot 5 + (5x + 1)(6x + 1) \right] \\ &= \dots = 300x^3 + 165x^2 + 76x + 1. \end{aligned}$$

④ My favorite:

product and chain rule:

$$\frac{d}{dx} (3x^2 + x + 1)(5x + 1)^2$$

$$= (3x^2 + x + 1) \cdot 2(5x + 1)^1 \cdot 5$$
$$+ (5x + 1)^2 \cdot (6x + 1) \quad \left. \vphantom{\frac{d}{dx} (3x^2 + x + 1)(5x + 1)^2} \right\} \text{done.}$$

$$= 150x^3 + 80x^2 + 60x + 10$$

$$+ 150x^3 + 85x^2 + 16x + 1$$

$$= 300x^3 + 165x^2 + 76x + 11 \quad \text{"}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad y = (5x+1)^{10}$$

Lots of ways, for example...

Ⓐ Be obnoxious and expand first:

$$\begin{aligned}(5x+1)^{10} = & 9,765,625 x^{10} + 19,531,250 x^9 \\ & + 17,578,125 x^8 + 9,375,000 x^7 \\ & + 3,281,250 x^6 + 787,500 x^5 \\ & + 131,250 x^4 + 15,000 x^3 + 1125 x^2 \\ & + 50 x + 1\end{aligned}$$

so

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} = & 97,656,250 x^9 + 175,781,250 x^8 \\ & + 140,625,000 x^7 + 65,625,000 x^6 \\ & + 19,687,500 x^5 + 3,937,500 x^4 \\ & + 525,000 x^3 + 45,000 x^2 + 2250 x + 50.\end{aligned}$$

Ⓑ chain rule:

$$\frac{d}{dx} (5x+1)^{10} = 10 (5x+1)^9 \cdot 5$$

(which happens to be  
if you expand)

$$\textcircled{4} (3x^2 + x + 1)(5x + 1)^{10}$$

Product, then chain:

$$\begin{aligned} & (3x^2 + x + 1) \cdot \frac{d}{dx} (5x + 1)^{10} + (5x + 1)^{10} \frac{d}{dx} (3x^2 + x + 1) \\ &= (3x^2 + x + 1) \cdot 10(5x + 1)^9 \cdot 5 \\ & \quad + (5x + 1)^{10} (6x + 1) \end{aligned}$$

↑ "done",

but notice there's a  
quick route to factorization:

pull out  $(5x + 1)^9$  that the two  
terms have in common:

$$\begin{aligned} & \rightarrow = (5x + 1)^9 \left( 50(3x^2 + x + 1) + (5x + 1)(6x + 1) \right) \\ &= (5x + 1)^9 \left( 150x^2 + 50x + 50 + 30x^2 + 11x + 1 \right) \\ &= (5x + 1)^9 \left( 180x^2 + 66x + 51 \right) \\ & \quad \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\text{no real roots!}} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\frac{\sqrt{x^2 - x}}{x + x^{-1}}$$

Many ways, including...

(a) Quotient rule:  $y = \frac{f}{g}$

where

$$f = (x^2 - x)^{1/2} \quad \therefore \quad g = x + x^{-1}$$

so

$$f' = \frac{1}{2}(x^2 - x)^{-1/2} \quad \therefore \quad g' = 1 - x^{-2}$$

$$\text{so } \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{f'g - g'f}{g^2} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}(x^2 - x)^{-1/2} \cdot (x + x^{-1}) - (1 - x^{-2})(x^2 - x)^{1/2}}{(x + x^{-1})^2}$$

↑ "done"

(b) product rule:  $f \cdot (g)^{-1}$

$$\text{where } f = (x^2 - x)^{1/2} \quad \therefore \quad g = x + x^{-1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} f \cdot (g)^{-1} &= f \cdot \frac{d}{dx} (g)^{-1} + (g)^{-1} \frac{d}{dx} f \\ &= (x^2 - x)^{1/2} \cdot \left( - (x + x^{-1})^{-2} \cdot (1 - x^{-2}) \right) \\ &\quad + (x + x^{-1})^{-1} \cdot \frac{1}{2} (x^2 - x)^{-1/2} \end{aligned}$$

← "done"

$$= - \frac{(x^2 - x)^{1/2} (1 - x^{-2})}{(x + x^{-1})^2} + \frac{(x + x^{-1}) \cdot \frac{1}{2} (x^2 - x)^{-1/2}}{(x + x^{-1})^2}$$

← same as (a) ✓

$$\textcircled{6} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{x^2 + 7x^{1/2}}}$$

Many ways, including...

① reciprocal rule:  $\frac{1}{f}$

where  $f = (x^2 + 7x^{1/2})^{1/3}$

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

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = - \frac{\frac{1}{3} (x^2 + 7x^{1/2})^{-2/3} (2x + \frac{7}{2}x^{-1/2})}{(\sqrt[3]{x^2 + 7x^{1/2}})^2}$$

$$= - \frac{2x + \frac{7}{2}x^{-1/2}}{3(x^2 + 7x^{1/2})^{4/3}} \quad \leftarrow \text{"done"}$$

← nicer.

② Rewrite first, then chain rule:

$$y = (x^2 + 7x^{1/2})^{-1/3}$$

So  $\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{1}{3} (x^2 + 7x^{1/2})^{-4/3} (2x + \frac{7}{2}x^{-1/2})$

$$= - \frac{2x + \frac{7}{2}x^{-1/2}}{3(x^2 + 7x^{1/2})^{4/3}}$$

just as before!