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SECTION 2.4

**Math 1000 Worksheet**

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**SOLUTIONS**

$$\begin{aligned} 1. \text{ (a)} \quad & \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx}[x^3 - 1](x^4 + 3x^2 - x) + \frac{d}{dx}[x^4 + 3x^2 - x](x^3 - 1) \\ &= (3x^2 - 0)(x^4 + 3x^2 - x) + (4x^3 + 6x - 1)(x^3 - 1) \\ &= 7x^6 + 15x^4 - 8x^3 - 6x + 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b)} \quad & f'(x) = (x+1)'(2x+1)(3x+1) + [(2x+1)(3x+1)]'(x+1) \\ &= (1+0)(2x+1)(3x+1) + [(2x+1)'(3x+1) + (3x+1)'(2x+1)](x+1) \\ &= (2x+1)(3x+1) + [(2+0)(3x+1) + (3+0)(2x+1)](x+1) \\ &= 18x^2 + 22x + 6 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(c)} \quad & g'(x) = \frac{(ax^2 + b)'(cx^2 - d) - (cx^2 - d)'(ax^2 + b)}{(cx^2 - d)^2} \\ &= \frac{2ax(cx^2 - d) - 2cx(ax^2 + b)}{(cx^2 - d)^2} = \frac{-2(ad + bc)x}{(cx^2 - d)^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(d)} \quad \text{Rewrite: } f(x) = \frac{1}{\frac{x^3 + 4x^2 + 4}{x+4}} = \frac{x+4}{x^3 + 4x^2 + 4}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Differentiate: } & f'(x) = \frac{(x+4)'(x^3 + 4x^2 + 4) - (x^3 + 4x^2 + 4)'(x+4)}{(x^3 + 4x^2 + 4)^2} \\ &= \frac{(x^3 + 4x^2 + 4) - (3x^2 + 8x)(x+4)}{(x^3 + 4x^2 + 4)^2} \\ &= \frac{-2x^3 - 16x^2 - 32x + 4}{(x^3 + 4x^2 + 4)^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$2. \quad \text{Let } A(x) = \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \text{ so}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx}[A(x)] &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{A(x+h) - A(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{f(x+h)}{g(x+h)} - \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h)g(x) - f(x)g(x+h)}{hg(x)g(x+h)} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{g(x)g(x+h)} \cdot \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h)g(x) - f(x)g(x+h)}{h} \\ &= \frac{1}{[g(x)]^2} \cdot \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h)g(x) - f(x)g(x+h)}{h}. \end{aligned}$$

Much like the proof of the Product Rule, we now subtract and add  $f(x)g(x)$  to the numerator in the limit:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dx}[A(x)] &= \frac{1}{[g(x)]^2} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h)g(x) - f(x)g(x) + f(x)g(x) - f(x)g(x+h)}{h} \\ &= \frac{1}{[g(x)]^2} \cdot \left[ \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \cdot g(x) - \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(x+h) - g(x)}{h} \cdot f(x) \right] \\ &= \frac{\frac{d}{dx}[f(x)]g(x) - \frac{d}{dx}[g(x)]f(x)}{[g(x)]^2}.\end{aligned}$$