

**Practice Differentiation Problems (solutions at end)**

1.  $f(x) = 3x^{\frac{5}{3}}; f'(x) =$

2.  $f(x) = (2x + 3)(3x^3 - 2x^2 + x - 6); f'(x) =$

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

4.  $f(x) = \sin^2(x); f'(x) =$

5.  $f(x) = 2e^{-2x}; f'(x) =$

6.  $f(x) = \ln(x + 1); f'(x) =$

7.  $f(x) = \sin 2x - \cos 2x; f'(x) =$

8.  $f(x) = \tan 2x - \cot 2x; f'(x) =$

9.  $f(x) = \sec 2x - \csc 2x; f'(x) =$

10.  $f(x) = \frac{x+\sin x}{\cos x-x}; f'(x) =$

$$11. f(x) = \sin^2(x^2 - x); f'(x) =$$

$$12. f(x) = xe^{-x^2}; f'(x) =$$

$$13. f(x) = x^{\frac{1}{2}} \tan x; f'(x) =$$

$$14. f(x) = x \ln(x^2 + 1); f'(x) =$$

$$15. f(x) = \frac{\sin 2x - \cos 2x}{x}; f'(x) =$$

$$16. f(x) = \ln\left(\frac{x + \sin x}{\cos x - x}\right); f'(x) =$$

$$17. f(x) = x \csc x; f'(x) =$$

$$18. f(x) = x\sqrt{x^2 - 2x}; f'(x) =$$

## Practice Differentiation Problems - Solutions

- $f(x) = 3x^{\frac{5}{3}}; f'(x) = \frac{5}{3} \cdot (3x^{\frac{5}{3}-1}) = 5x^{\frac{2}{3}}$  (power rule)
- $f(x) = (2x + 3)(3x^3 - 2x^2 + x - 6); f'(x) = 2(3x^3 - 2x^2 + x - 6) + (2x + 3)(9x^2 - 4x + 1)$   
(product rule and power rule)
- $f(x) = \frac{3x+1}{5x-2}; f'(x) = \frac{3(5x-2)-5(3x+1)}{(5x-2)^2}$  (quotient rule and power rule)
- $f(x) = \sin^2(x); f'(x) = 2\sin(x) \cdot \cos(x)$  (chain rule, power rule, and sine rule)
- $f(x) = 2e^{-2x}; f'(x) = -2(2e^{-2x})$  (chain rule and exponential rules)
- $f(x) = \ln(x + 1); f'(x) = \frac{1}{x+1}$  (logarithm rule)
- $f(x) = \sin 2x - \cos 2x; f'(x) = 2\cos 2x - 2(-\sin 2x)$   
(chain rule and sine/cosine rules)
- $f(x) = \tan 2x - \cot 2x; f'(x) = 2\sec^2 2x - 2(-\csc^2 2x)$   
(chain rule and tangent/secant rules)
- $f(x) = \sec 2x - \csc 2x; f'(x) = 2\sec 2x \tan 2x - 2(-\csc 2x \cot 2x)$   
(chain rule and cotangent/cosecant rules)
- $f(x) = \frac{x + \sin x}{\cos x - x}; f'(x) = \frac{(1 + \cos x)(\cos x - x) - (x + x \sin x)(-\sin x - 1)}{(\cos x - x)^2}$   
(quotient rule and sine/cosine rules)
- $f(x) = \sin^2(x^2 - x); f'(x) = 2\sin(x^2 - x) \cdot \cos(x^2 - x) \cdot (2x - 1)$   
(chain rule, power rule, and sine rules)
- $f(x) = xe^{-x^2}; f'(x) = 1 \cdot e^{-x^2} + -2x(xe^{-x^2})$  (product, chain, power, and exponential rules)

$$13. f(x) = x^{\frac{1}{2}} \tan x; f'(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^{\frac{1}{2}-1} \tan x + x^{\frac{1}{2}} \sec^2 x$$

(product, power, and tangent rules)

$$14. f(x) = x \ln(x^2 + 1); f'(x) = 1 \cdot \ln(x^2 + 1) + x \cdot 2x \cdot \frac{1}{x^2+1}$$

(product, chain, logarithm, and power rules)

$$15. f(x) = \frac{\sin 2x - \cos 2x}{x}; f'(x) = \frac{[2\cos 2x - 2(-\sin 2x)] \cdot x - 1 \cdot (\sin 2x - \cos 2x)}{x^2}$$

(quotient, chain, sine/cosine rules)

$$16. f(x) = \ln\left(\frac{x+\sin x}{\cos x-x}\right); f'(x) = \frac{(1+\cos x) \cdot (\cos x-x) - (-\sin x-1) \cdot (x+\sin x)}{(\cos x-x)^2} \cdot \frac{1}{\frac{x+\sin x}{\cos x-x}}$$

(chain, quotient, sine/cosine, logarithm rules)

$$17. f(x) = x \csc x; f'(x) = 1 \cdot \csc x + x \cdot (-\csc x \cot x)$$

(product rule, cosecant rule)

$$18. f(x) = x\sqrt{x^2 - 2x} = x(x^2 - 2x)^{\frac{1}{2}}; f'(x) = 1 \cdot (x^2 - 2x)^{\frac{1}{2}} + x \cdot \frac{1}{2}(2x - 2) \cdot (x^2 - 2x)^{\frac{1}{2}-1}$$

(product, chain, power rules)