

Worksheet

(I) Differentiate and simplify:

$$1. \ y = e^{-2t} \cos(4t)$$

$$2. \ f(x) = e^{x \sin^2 x}$$

$$3. \ f(t) = \sqrt{\frac{t}{t^2 + 4}}$$

$$4. \ g(x) = \sqrt{\sin(\cos(x))}$$

$$5. \ f(t) = e^{\sin^2(4t+1)}$$

(II) Find dy/dx for each of the following:

$$1. \ x = \cos(t), \quad y = t \sin(t)$$

$$2. \ x = \theta - \sin^2(\theta), \quad y = \tan(2\theta)$$

$$3. \ x = \sqrt[3]{t^3 - 1}, \quad y = t/(t^3 - 1)$$

Strategy hints & answers

(I) Differentiate and simplify:

1. Use product rule with: $y = e^u \cdot \cos(v) \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = e^u \cdot \frac{d}{dx}[\cos(v)] + \frac{d}{dx}[e^u] \cdot \cos(v)$

Use chain rule to evaluate the derivatives.

Answer: $\frac{dy}{dx} = -2e^{-2t} \cos(4t) - 4e^{-2t} \sin(4t) = \boxed{-2e^{-2t}[\cos(4t) + 2\sin(4t)]}$

2. Let $f = e^u$. Then $\frac{df}{dx} = \frac{df}{du} \cdot \frac{du}{dx} = e^u \frac{du}{dx}$.

Use product rule with: $u = x \cdot \sin^2(x) = x \cdot v^2$ to find $\frac{du}{dx}$.

Answer: $\frac{df}{dx} = e^{x \sin^2 x} [\sin^2(x) + 2x \sin(x) \cos(x)]$

3. Let $f = u^{1/2}$. Then $\frac{df}{dt} = \frac{df}{du} \cdot \frac{du}{dt} = \frac{1}{2}u^{-1/2} \frac{du}{dt}$.

Use quotient rule with: $u = \frac{t}{t^2 + 4}$ to find $\frac{du}{dt}$.

Answer: $\frac{df}{dt} = \frac{4 - t^2}{2 \sqrt{t} (t^2 + 4)^{3/2}}$

4. Let $g = u^{1/2}$, $u = \sin(v)$, $v = \cos(x)$. Then find $\frac{dg}{du}, \frac{du}{dv}, \frac{dv}{dx}$.

Multiply and get $\frac{dg}{dx} = \frac{dg}{du} \cdot \frac{du}{dv} \cdot \frac{dv}{dx}$

Answer: $\frac{dg}{dx} = -\frac{\sin(x) \cdot \cos(\cos(x))}{2 \sqrt{\sin(\cos(x))}}$

5. Let $f = e^u$, $u = v^2$, $v = \sin(w)$, $w = 4t + 1$. Find $\frac{df}{du}, \frac{du}{dv}, \frac{dv}{dw}, \frac{dw}{dt}$.

Multiply and get $\frac{df}{dt} = \frac{df}{du} \cdot \frac{du}{dv} \cdot \frac{dv}{dw} \cdot \frac{dw}{dt}$

Answer: $\frac{df}{dt} = 8 e^{\sin^2(4t+1)} \sin(4t+1) \cos(4t+1)$

(II) Use the formula: $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy/dt}{dx/dt}$

1. $dx/dt = -\sin(t)$, $dy/dt = \sin(t) + t \cos(t)$

Answer: $\frac{dy}{dx} = -1 - \frac{t \cos(t)}{\sin(t)}$

2. $dx/d\theta = 1 - 2 \sin(\theta) \cos(\theta)$, $dy/d\theta = 2 \sec^2(2\theta)$

Answer:
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2 \sec^2(2\theta)}{1 - 2 \sin(\theta) \cos(\theta)}$$

3. $\frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{t^2}{(t^3 - 1)^{2/3}}, \frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{-1 - 2t^3}{(t^3 - 1)^2}$

Answer:
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{1 + 2t^3}{t^2 (t^3 - 1)^{4/3}}$$