

# Homework 3

Name: **SOLUTIONS**

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**P 1.** Using the basic rules and general properties of derivatives find the derivative of

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2 \cos x}{x^2 e^x + 3} - 7 \ln x + 14 \tan x$$

Show your work!

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{d}{dx} \left[ \frac{x^2 \cos x}{x^2 e^x + 3} - 7 \ln x + 14 \tan x \right] \\ &= \frac{d}{dx} \left[ \frac{x^2 \cos x}{x^2 e^x + 3} \right] - \frac{d}{dx} [7 \ln x] + \frac{d}{dx} [14 \tan x] \\ &= \frac{d}{dx} \left[ \frac{x^2 \cos x}{x^2 e^x + 3} \right] - 7 \frac{d}{dx} [\ln x] + 14 \frac{d}{dx} [\tan x] \\ &= \frac{d}{dx} \left[ \frac{x^2 \cos x}{x^2 e^x + 3} \right] - 7 \cdot \frac{1}{x} + 14 \sec^2 x \\ &= \frac{(x^2 e^x + 3) \frac{d}{dx} [x^2 \cos x] - x^2 \cos x \frac{d}{dx} [x^2 e^x + 3]}{(x^2 e^x + 3)^2} - \frac{7}{x} + 14 \sec^2 x \end{aligned}$$

Note that

$$\frac{d}{dx} [x^2 \cos x] = \frac{d}{dx} [x^2] \cdot \cos x + \frac{d}{dx} [\cos x] \cdot x^2 = 2x \cos x - x^2 \sin x$$

and

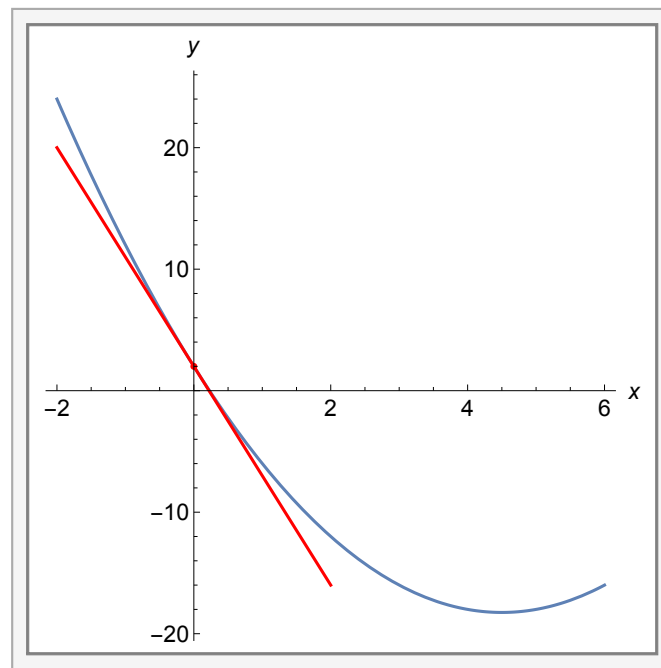
$$\frac{d}{dx} [x^2 e^x + 3] = \frac{d}{dx} [x^2 e^x] = 2x e^x + x^2 e^x$$

So,

$$f'(x) = \frac{(x^2 e^x + 3)(2x \cos x - x^2 \sin x) - x^2 \cos x(2x e^x + x^2 e^x)}{(x^2 e^x + 3)^2} - \frac{7}{x} + 14 \sec^2 x$$

**P 2.** Find an equation for the tangent line to the graph of the equation  $y = x^2 - 9x + 2$  at  $x = 0$ .

**Solution:**



We have

$$y' = \frac{d}{dx}[x^2 - 9x + 2] = \frac{d}{dx}[x^2] - \frac{d}{dx}[9x] + \frac{d}{dx}[2] = 2x - 9 \frac{d}{dx}[x] = 2x - 9.$$

So,

$$y' \Big|_{x=0} = 2(0) - 9 = -9.$$

The  $y$ -coordinate of the point at  $x = 0$  is

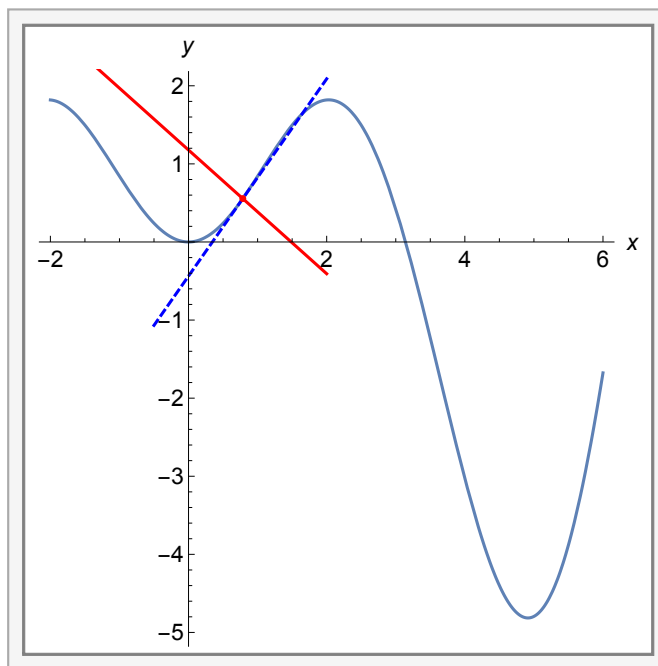
$$y \Big|_{x=0} = 0^2 - 9(0) + 2 = 2.$$

By the point-slope formula, an equation for the tangent line at the point  $(0, 2)$  is

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1) \Rightarrow y = y_1 + m(x - x_1) \Rightarrow y = 2 - 9(x - 0) = 2 - 9x$$

**P 3.** Find an equation for the perpendicular to the tangent line to the graph of the equation  $y = x \sin x$  at  $x = \pi/4$ .

**Solution:**



We have

$$y' = \frac{d}{dx}[x \sin x] = \frac{d}{dx}[x] \cdot \sin x + \frac{d}{dx}[\sin x] \cdot x = \sin x + x \cos x$$

So,

$$y' \Big|_{x=\pi/4} = \sin \frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{\pi}{4} \cos \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + \frac{\pi}{4} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + \frac{\pi\sqrt{2}}{8}$$

The slope of the line perpendicular to the tangent line is

$$y' \Big|_{x=\pi/4} = \frac{-1}{(2 + \pi)\sqrt{2}}$$

The  $y$ -coordinate of the point at  $x = \pi/4$  is

$$y \Big|_{x=\pi/4} = \frac{\pi}{4} \sin \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{\pi\sqrt{2}}{8}$$

By the point-slope formula, an equation for the tangent line at the point  $(0, 2)$  is

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1) \Rightarrow y = y_1 + m(x - x_1) \Rightarrow y = \frac{\pi\sqrt{2}}{8} - \frac{8}{(4 + \pi)\sqrt{2}} \left(x - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$