

WORKSHEET #5 – MATH 3210
FALL 2018

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You may work in groups of up to 4. If you do that, only one worksheet is required per group. Make sure everyone's name is on it.

1. Suppose $I = (a, b)$ is a possibly infinite open interval, $u \in I$ and $f, g : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are both differentiable at $u \in I$. Show that $h = f + g$ is differentiable at u and

$$h'(u) := (f + g)'(u) = f'(u) + g'(u).$$

Hint: You need to consider a limit $\lim_{x \rightarrow u} \frac{h(x) - h(u)}{x - u}$. Break it up into a couple limits. You may use the MLS.

2. With notation as in 1., prove that $f \cdot g$ is differentiable at u and

$$(f \cdot g)'(u) = f'(u) \cdot g(u) + f(u) \cdot g'(u).$$

Hint: Try adding and subtracting $f(u) \cdot g(x)$ in the numerator of your limit, and then break it up into two limits.

3. Suppose that $g(u) \neq 0$. Prove that (f/g) is differentiable at u and that

$$(f/g)'(u) = \frac{f'(u)g(u) - f(u)g'(u)}{g^2(u)}.$$

Hint: First show that $1/g$ is differentiable at u . To do that, clear the denominators of the numerator of your limit, and write your limiting object as a product of two fractions. Then simplify. After that, use the product rule for f and $1/g$.

4. Suppose that $g : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is differentiable at $u \in I$, an open interval. Further suppose that J is an open interval containing $g(I)$ and that $f : J \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is differentiable at $v = g(u)$. Show that $f \circ g$ is differentiable at u and that

$$(f \circ g)'(u) = f'(g(u)) \cdot g'(u).$$

Hint: Define a new function $h : J \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $h(y) = \begin{cases} \frac{f(y)-f(v)}{y-v} & y \in J \setminus \{v\} \\ f'(v) & y = v \end{cases}$ Show that h is continuous at v .

Finally, compute $\lim_{x \rightarrow u} \frac{f(g(x)) - f(g(u))}{x - u}$ by rewriting the numerator in terms of $h(g(x))$.