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### Quiz 7

1. Find the equation of the tangent line of  $f(x) = \ln(\sec(x))$  at  $x = 0$ .

First, we find compute  $f'(0)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{d}{dx} \ln(\sec(x)) = \frac{d}{dx} \ln(\cos^{-1}(x)) \\ &= \frac{d}{dx} \left( -\ln(\cos(x)) \right) \\ &= -\frac{\frac{d}{dx} \cos(x)}{\cos(x)} \\ &= -\frac{-\sin(x)}{\cos(x)} = \tan(x). \end{aligned}$$

So

$$f'(0) = \tan(0) = 0.$$

Our tangent line should pass through  $(0, f(0)) = (0, 0)$ , so our line is  $y - 0 = 0(x - 0)$ , or more simply

$$y = 0.$$


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2. Find the derivatives of the given functions:

(a)  $f(x) = \log_3(x)$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{\ln(x)}{\ln(3)} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\ln(3) \cdot x} \end{aligned}$$

(b)  $f(x) = \arccos(x^3)$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{d}{dx} \arccos(x^3) \\ &= \frac{-1}{\sqrt{1 - (x^3)^2}} \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(x^3) \\ &= \frac{-3x^2}{\sqrt{1 - x^6}} \end{aligned}$$

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3. Find the derivative of  $f(x) = x^{(e^x)}$ .

Let  $y = x^{(e^x)}$ . We find  $f'(x) = y'$  using logarithmic differentiation:

$$\begin{aligned} \ln(y) &= \ln(x^{(e^x)}) = e^x \cdot \ln(x) \implies \\ \frac{d}{dx} \ln(y) &= \frac{d}{dx} \left( e^x \cdot \ln(x) \right) \\ \frac{y'}{y} &= e^x \frac{d}{dx} \ln(x) + \ln(x) \frac{d}{dx} e^x \\ &= e^x \cdot x^{-1} + e^x \cdot \ln(x) \implies \\ y' &= e^x (x^{-1} + \ln(x)) \cdot y \\ &= e^x (x^{-1} + \ln(x)) \cdot x^{(e^x)} \\ &= e^x \cdot x^{(e^x)-1} + e^x \cdot \ln(x) \cdot x^{(e^x)} \end{aligned}$$

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1. Find the equation of the tangent line of  $f(x) = \ln(\csc(x))$  at  $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$ .  
First, we find compute  $f'(\frac{\pi}{2})$ :

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{d}{dx} \ln(\csc(x)) = \frac{d}{dx} \ln(\sin^{-1}(x)) \\ &= \frac{d}{dx} \left( -\ln(\sin(x)) \right) \\ &= -\frac{\frac{d}{dx} \sin(x)}{\sin(x)} \\ &= -\frac{\cos(x)}{\sin(x)} = -\cot(x). \end{aligned}$$

So

$$f'\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = -\cot\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 0.$$

Our tangent line should pass through  $(\frac{\pi}{2}, f(\frac{\pi}{2})) = (\frac{\pi}{2}, 0)$ , so our line is  $y - 0 = 0(x - \frac{\pi}{2})$ , or more simply

$$y = 0.$$

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2. Find the derivatives of the given functions:

(a)  $f(x) = 3^x$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{d}{dx}(3^x) \\ &= \ln(3) \cdot 3^x \end{aligned}$$

(b)  $f(x) = \arcsin(x^2)$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{d}{dx} \arcsin(x^2) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - (x^2)^2}} \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(x^2) \\ &= \frac{2x}{\sqrt{1 - x^4}} \end{aligned}$$


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3. Find the derivative of  $f(x) = x^{\ln(x)}$ .

Let  $y = x^{\ln(x)}$ . We find  $f'(x) = y'$  using logarithmic differentiation:

$$\begin{aligned} \ln(y) &= \ln(x^{\ln(x)}) = \ln(x) \cdot \ln(x) \\ &= (\ln(x))^2 \implies \\ \frac{d}{dx} \ln(y) &= \frac{d}{dx} (\ln(x))^2 \\ \frac{y'}{y} &= 2 \cdot \ln(x) \cdot \frac{d}{dx} \ln(x) \\ &= 2 \ln(x) \cdot x^{-1} \implies \\ y' &= 2 \ln(x) \cdot x^{-1} \cdot y \\ &= 2 \ln(x) \cdot x^{-1} \cdot x^{\ln(x)} \\ &= 2 \ln(x) \cdot x^{\ln(x)-1} \end{aligned}$$