

Calculus Practice: Chain Rule 1a

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 $= 60x^3(3x^4 + 4)^4$

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A) $f'(x) = 3(2x^4 + 3)^2 \cdot 8x^3 + 3(2x^4 + 3)^2 \cdot 8x^3$
 $= 48x^3(2x^4 + 3)^2$

B) $f'(x) = (2x^4 + 3)^3 + (x + 5) \cdot 3(2x^4 + 3)^2 \cdot 8x^3$
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C) $f'(x) = 3(2x^4 + 3)^2 \cdot 8x^3 + 1$
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