

Differential Calculus - Derivative Practice (most worked by students @ board) March 29, 2018

Power Rule:

$$\frac{d}{dx}[x^n] = nx^{n-1}$$

Constant Multiple Rule:

$$\frac{d}{dx}[cf(x)] = c \frac{d}{dx}[f(x)]$$

Sum & Difference:

$$\frac{d}{dx}[f(x) \pm g(x)] = f'(x) \pm g'(x)$$

Product Rule:

$$\frac{d}{dx}[f(x)g(x)] = f'(x)g(x) + f(x)g'(x)$$

Quotient Rule:

$$\frac{d}{dx}\left[\frac{f(x)}{g(x)}\right] = \frac{f'(x)g(x) - f(x)g'(x)}{g^2(x)}$$

Chain Rule:

$$\frac{d}{dx}[f(g(x))] = f'(g(x))g'(x)$$

Trig Functions:

$$\frac{d}{dx}[\sin x] = \cos x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[\tan x] = \sec^2 x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[\sec x] = \sec x \tan x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[\cos x] = -\sin x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[\cot x] = -\csc^2 x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[\csc x] = -\csc x \cot x$$

Exponential and Logarithmic Functions:

$$\frac{d}{dx}[a^x] = a^x \ln a$$

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

$$\frac{d}{dx}[\log_a x] = \frac{1}{x \ln a}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[\ln x] = \frac{1}{x}$$

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

tangent line: $y = x + 1$

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slope of 1

$$Kx^3 = x + 1$$

$$3Kx^2 = 1$$

$$K = \frac{x+1}{x^3}$$

$$\frac{3(x+1)x^2}{x^3} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3(x+1)}{x} = 1$$

$$= \frac{-3/2 + 1}{(-3/2)^3} = \frac{-1/2}{-27/8} = \frac{4}{27}$$

$$3x + 3 = x$$

$$2x = -3$$

$$x = -3/2$$

$$[2^{f(x)}]' = 2^{f(x)} \ln 2 \cdot f'(x)$$

$$[f(x)^2]' = 2 f(x) \cdot f'(x)$$

$$[2^{[f(x)]^2}]' = [2^{(f(x))^2} \ln 2] \cdot [2 f(x)] \cdot [f'(x)]$$

Power functions

$$[x^n]' = n x^{n-1}$$

Exponential functions

$$[a^x]' = a^x \ln a$$

$$f(x) = \cos(\sqrt{\tan^2 x - 2x})$$

1. $f(x) = \cot(5x^2 - 3x)$

2. $f(x) = \sqrt[3]{\csc(4x)}$

$$3. f(x) = \frac{\sin 2x}{x^3}$$

$$f(x) = \ln[\sin(5x^3 + 2x)]$$

$$f(x) = (\sec x) (5^{\sin x})$$

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2 \ln x}{\sin x}$$