

Derivatives: you must know this!

Rules for Derivatives

$$(c)' = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$(x^\alpha)' = \alpha x^{\alpha-1}, \quad \text{where } \alpha \in \mathbb{R} \quad (2)$$

$$(\sin x)' = \cos x \quad (3)$$

$$(\cos x)' = -\sin x \quad (4)$$

$$(\tan x)' = \frac{1}{\cos^2 x} = 1 + \tan^2 x \quad (5)$$

$$(\cot x)' = \frac{-1}{\sin^2 x} = -1 - \cot^2 x \quad (6)$$

$$(a^x)' = a^x \ln a \quad \text{where } 0 < a \neq 1 \quad (7)$$

$$(e^x)' = e^x \quad (8)$$

$$(\log_a x)' = \frac{1}{x \ln a} \quad (9)$$

$$(\ln x)' = \frac{1}{x} \quad (10)$$

$$(\arcsin x)' = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \quad (11)$$

$$(\arccos x)' = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \quad (12)$$

$$(\arctan x)' = \frac{1}{1+x^2} \quad (13)$$

$$(\operatorname{arccot} x)' = \frac{-1}{1+x^2} \quad (14)$$

$$(\sinh x)' = \cosh x \quad (15)$$

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$$(\tanh x)' = \frac{1}{\cosh^2 x} \quad (17)$$

$$(\operatorname{coth} x)' = \frac{-1}{\sinh^2 x} \quad (18)$$

”Arithmetic” Rules:

1. $(f + g)'(x) = f'(x) + g'(x)$;
2. $(f - g)'(x) = f'(x) - g'(x)$;
3. $(cf)'(x) = cf'(x)$, where $c \in \mathbb{R}$;
4. $(fg)'(x) = f'(x)g(x) + f(x)g'(x)$;
5. $\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)'(x) = \frac{f'(x)g(x) - f(x)g'(x)}{g^2(x)}$, provided $g(x) \neq 0$.

The Chain Rule:

$$(g \circ f)'(x) = g'(f(x)) f'(x).$$

Derivative as a Slope of the Tangent Line

If $y = f(x)$ is differentiable at x_0 , then $f'(x_0)$ is a slope of the tangent line at $(x_0, f(x_0))$.

The equation of the tangent line is:

$$y = f(x_0) + f'(x_0)(x - x_0).$$

Higher Derivatives

$$y^{(n)} = (y^{(n-1)})' \text{ dla } n = 2, 3, 4, \dots$$

By agreement: $y^{(0)} = y$.

For small orders we write: y'' , y''' , y^{IV} , y^V , etc.

Implicit Differentiation

If $y = f(x)$ is implicitly defined by some equality, then we don't need to solve for y . We differentiate the whole equality using Chain Rule for terms with y . For example if

$$y^3 - 3x^2y^2 - 5x = x \sin y$$

then

$$3y^2y' - (6xy^2 + 6x^2yy') - 5 = \sin y + x \cos y \cdot y',$$

and now solve for y' :

$$y' = \frac{6xy^2 + 5 + \sin y}{3y^2 - 6xy^2 - x \cos y}.$$