

3.1 - Derivatives of Polynomials and Exponential Functions

1) Derivative of a Constant function

$$\frac{d}{dx}[c] = 0 \text{ for all } c \in \mathbb{R}$$

Example:-

$$\frac{d}{dx}[\pi^2] = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[5^c] = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dy}[18.5] = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[\sqrt{30}] = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[\ln(9)] = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}\left[\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)\right] = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[\cos^2(5)] = 0$$

if $f(x) = \sqrt{4+c^2}$ then $f'(x) = 0 \dots$

2) if $f(x) = ax$ for all $a \in \mathbb{R}$ then $f'(x) = a$

Example:

$$\frac{d}{dx}[10x] = 10$$

if $f(x) = \frac{-3}{4}x$ then $f'(x) = \dots \frac{-3}{4} \dots$

if $f(x) = -x$ then $f'(x) = \dots -1 \dots$

$$\frac{d}{dt}[2t] = 2$$

if $f(\emptyset) = 18.5\emptyset$ then $f'(\emptyset) = \dots 18.5 \dots$

3) if $f(x) = x^n$ then $f'(x) = nx^{n-1}$

Example:

$$\frac{d}{dx} [x^2] = 2x \quad \frac{d}{dx} [x^3] = 3x^2 \quad \frac{d}{dx} [x^4] = 4x^3$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{1}{x^5} \right] &= \frac{d}{dx} [x^{-5}] \\ &= -5x^{-5-1} \\ &= -5x^{-6} \\ &= -\frac{5}{x^6} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} [\sqrt[3]{x^2}] &= \frac{d}{dx} [(x^2)^{\frac{1}{3}}] \\ &= \frac{d}{dx} [x^{\frac{2}{3}}] \\ &= \frac{2}{3} x^{\frac{2}{3}-1} \\ &= \frac{2}{3} x^{-\frac{1}{3}} \\ &= \frac{2}{3x^{\frac{1}{3}}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt[3]{x}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} [x^2 \sqrt{x}] &= \frac{d}{dx} [x^2 \cdot x^{\frac{1}{2}}] \\ &= \frac{d}{dx} [x^{2+\frac{1}{2}}] \\ &= \frac{d}{dx} [x^{\frac{5}{2}}] \\ &= \frac{5}{2} x^{\frac{5}{2}-1} \\ &= \frac{5}{2} x^{\frac{3}{2}} \\ &= \frac{5}{2} \sqrt{x^3} \end{aligned}$$

$$4) \frac{d}{dx} [c f(x)] = c \cdot \frac{d}{dx} [f(x)]$$

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

Example:

$$a) \frac{d}{dx} \left[x^8 + 12x^5 - 4x^4 + 10x^3 - 6x + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{5} \right]$$

$$8x^7 + 12(5)x^4 - 4(4)x^3 + 10(3)x^2 - 6 + 0$$

$$8x^7 + 60x^4 - 16x^3 + 30x^2 - 6$$

b) If $f(x) = (3x - 2)^2$ then $f'(x) = \dots$

$$f(x) = 9x^2 - 2(3x)(2) + 4$$

$$= 9x^2 - 12x + 4$$

$$f'(x) = 18x - 12$$

$$c) \frac{d}{dx} [x^2(1-2x)] = \frac{d}{dx} [x^2 - 2x^3]$$

$$= 2x - 6x^2$$

$$d) \frac{d}{dt} [\sqrt{t}(t-1)] = \frac{d}{dt} [t^{1/2}(t-1)]$$

$$= \frac{d}{dt} [t^{1/2} \cdot t - t^{1/2}] = \frac{d}{dt} [t^{3/2} - t^{1/2}]$$

$$= \frac{3}{2} t^{3/2-1} - \frac{1}{2} t^{1/2-1}$$

$$= \frac{3}{2} t^{1/2} - \frac{1}{2} t^{-1/2} = \frac{3}{2} \sqrt{t} - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{t}}$$

$$= \frac{3}{2} \sqrt{t} - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{t}} = \frac{3\sqrt{t} \cdot \sqrt{t} - 1}{2\sqrt{t}}$$

$$= \frac{3t-1}{2\sqrt{t}}$$

$$e) \frac{d}{dx} [(2x+3)(4x-5)]$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} [2x(4x-5) + 3(4x-5)]$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} [8x^2 - 10x + 12x - 15]$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} [8x^2 + 2x - 15] = 16x + 2$$

$$f) \frac{d}{dx} [(x-2)^3] = \frac{d}{dx} [x^3 - 3(2)x^2 + 3(4)x - 2^3]$$
$$= \frac{d}{dx} [x^3 - 6x^2 + 12x - 8]$$
$$= 3x^2 - 12x + 12$$
$$= 3x^2 - 12x + 12$$

$$g) \frac{d}{dx} [x(2x+3)^2] = \frac{d}{dx} [x(4x^2 + 12x + 9)]$$
$$= \frac{d}{dx} [4x^3 + 12x^2 + 9x]$$
$$= 12x^2 + 24x + 9$$

$$h) f(t) = (3x^2 + 2)(x^3 - 5)$$
$$f'(t) = \text{H.W}$$

if $G(x) = \frac{5x^2 + 4x + 3}{x^2}$ then $G'(x) = \dots$

$$G(x) = \frac{5x^2}{x^2} + \frac{4x}{x^2} + \frac{3}{x^2}$$

$$= 5 + \frac{4}{x} + \frac{3}{x^2}$$

$$= 5 + 4x^{-1} + 3x^{-2}$$

$$G'(x) = 0 + 4(-1)x^{-1-1} + 3(-2)x^{-2-1}$$

$$= -4x^{-2} - 6x^{-3}$$

$$= -\frac{4}{x^2} - \frac{6}{x^3}$$

$$= \frac{-4x}{x^2 \cdot x} - \frac{6}{x^3}$$

$$= \frac{-4x}{x^3} - \frac{6}{x^3}$$

$$= \frac{-4x - 6}{x^3}$$

if $y = \frac{\sqrt{x} + x}{x^2}$ then $y' = \dots$

$$y = \frac{x^{1/2} + x^1}{x^2} = \frac{x^{1/2}}{x^2} + \frac{x^1}{x^2} = x^{1/2-2} + x^{1-2}$$

$$= x^{-3/2} + x^{-1}$$

$$y' = -\frac{3}{2}x^{-3/2-1} - x^{-1-1} = -\frac{3}{2}x^{-5/2} - x^{-2} = \frac{-3}{2x^{5/2}} - \frac{1}{x^2} = \frac{-3}{2\sqrt{x^5}} - \frac{1}{x^2}$$

$$5] \frac{d}{dx} [a^x] = a^x \cdot \ln a$$

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

Example

$$\frac{d}{dx} [\pi^x] = \pi^x \cdot \ln \pi = \ln(\pi) \cdot (\pi)^x$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} [\sqrt{2^x}] &= \frac{d}{dx} [(\sqrt{2})^x] \\ &= (\sqrt{2})^x \cdot \ln \sqrt{2} \\ &= (\sqrt{2})^x \cdot \ln 2^{1/2} \\ &= (\sqrt{2})^x \cdot \frac{1}{2} \ln 2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \ln 2 \cdot (\sqrt{2})^x \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} [3^x + x^3] &= \frac{d}{dx} [3^x] + \frac{d}{dx} [x^3] \\ &= 3^x \cdot \ln(3) + 3x^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} [e^x - x^e] &= \frac{d}{dx} [e^x] - \frac{d}{dx} [x^e] \\ &= e^x - e x^{e-1} \\ &= e (e^{x-1} - x^{e-1}) \end{aligned}$$

if $y = e^{x+1} + x^2$ then find y''' or $\frac{d^3 y}{dx^3}$
② $y^{(100)}$

$$y' = e^{x+1} + 2x$$

$$y'' = e^{x+1} + 2$$

$$y''' = e^{x+1}$$

$$y^{(4)} = e^{x+1}$$

$$y^{(5)} = e^{x+1}$$

$$\vdots$$
$$y^{(100)} = e^{x+1}$$