

3.1 Derivatives of Polynomials and Exponential Function.

□ $f(x) = c$ then $\frac{df}{dx} = \frac{dc}{dx} = 0$ Constant Rule

How easy

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{c - c}{h} = 0$$

power function

② $f(x) = x$ $\frac{d f}{d x} = \frac{d x}{d x} = 1$

Also easy

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{x+h-x}{h} = 1$$

Ex. $\frac{d}{dx} x^2 = 2x$ $\frac{d}{dx} x^3 = 3x^2$

③ If n is positive, then

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

using Binomial tho.

Ex. $\frac{d}{dr} r^\pi = \pi r^{\pi-1}$. Ex. $\frac{d}{dx} \frac{1}{x^3} = \frac{d}{dx} x^{-3} = -3x^{-4} = -\frac{3}{x^4}$

④ In general

$$\frac{d}{dx} x^n = n x^{n-1} \text{ for any } n \in \mathbb{R}$$

Ex. $y = \sqrt{x}$ $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx} x^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{2} x^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$

④ The constant multiple Rule

If c is a constant and f is a differentiable function, then

$$\frac{d}{dx} cf(x) = c \frac{df}{dx}.$$

easy.

⑤ The sum Rule

If f and g are both diff., then

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

easy

⑥ The difference Rule

Ex. The equation of a motion is $s = 2t^3 + 3t - 4$
 find the acceleration function $a(t)$ and the
 the acceleration at 2 seconds

measured in cm.

$$v(t) = \frac{ds}{dt} = 6t^2 + 3$$

$$a(t) = \frac{dv}{dt} = 12t \quad a(2) = 24 \text{ cm/s}^2$$

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Exponential function

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

Ex. if $a = e$ then

$$\frac{d}{dx} e^x = \ln e \cdot e^x = e^x.$$

Ex.

$$f(x) = e^x - 3x + \sqrt{x}$$

$$f' = e^x - 3 + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$$