



Worksheet: Calculus of Exponential and Logarithmic Functions

1. Determine the derivative for each of the following and make any obvious simplifications.

a) $f(x) = x^4 e^{\sin(2x)}$

$$f'(x) = x^4 e^{\sin(2x)} \cos(2x) \cdot 2 + e^{\sin 2x} (4x^3)$$

$$f'(x) = 2x^4 e^{\sin(2x)} \cos(2x) + 4e^{\sin 2x} (x^3)$$

$$f'(x) = 2x^3 e^{\sin 2x} [x \cos(2x) + 2]$$

b) $f(x) = \csc(x^3 e^x)$

$$f'(x) = -\csc(x^3 e^x) \cot(x^3 e^x) [x^3 e^x + e^x (3x^2)]$$

$$f'(x) = -x^2 e^x [x+3] \csc(x^3 e^x) \cot(x^3 e^x)$$

c) $f(x) = \sqrt{\sec(6^x)} = [\sec(6^x)]^{\frac{1}{2}}$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2} [\sec(6^x)]^{-\frac{1}{2}} [\sec(6^x) \tan(6^x)] 6^x (\ln 6)$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{6^x \ln 6 \sec(6^x) \tan(6^x)}{2 \sqrt{\sec(6^x)}}$$

$$d) f(x) = 10^{\cos(7x)}$$

$$f'(x) = 10^{\cos 7x} (\ln 10) (-\sin 7x) \quad (7)$$

$$f'(x) = -7 \ln 10 \sin(7x) 10^{\cos 7x}$$

$$e) f(x) = \left(\frac{e^{2x} - 1}{e^{2x} + 1} \right)^4$$

$$f'(x) = 4 \left(\frac{e^{2x} - 1}{e^{2x} + 1} \right)^3 \left[\frac{(e^{2x} + 1)(e^{2x})(2) - (e^{2x} - 1)(e^{2x})(2)}{(e^{2x} + 1)^2} \right]$$

$$f'(x) = 4 \left(\frac{e^{2x} - 1}{e^{2x} + 1} \right)^3 \left[\frac{2e^{4x} + 2e^{2x} - 2e^{4x} + 2e^{2x}}{(e^{2x} + 1)^2} \right]$$

$$f'(x) = 4 \left(\frac{e^{2x} - 1}{e^{2x} + 1} \right)^3 \left[\frac{4e^{2x}}{(e^{2x} + 1)^2} \right]$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{16 e^{2x} (e^{2x} - 1)^3}{(e^{2x} + 1)^5}$$

$$f) f(x) = \ln[(2x+7)^7(3x+9)^9]$$

$$f(x) = \ln(2x+7)^7 + \ln(3x+9)^9$$

$$f(x) = 7 \ln(2x+7) + 9 \ln(3x+9)$$

$$f'(x) = 7 \left(\frac{1}{2x+7} \right) (2) + 9 \left(\frac{1}{3x+9} \right) (3)$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{14}{2x+7} + \frac{27}{3x+9}$$

$$g) f(x) = e^{\frac{x}{4-x^2}}$$

$$f'(x) = e^{\frac{x}{4-x^2}} \cdot \left[\frac{(4-x^2)(1) - (x)(-2x)}{(4-x^2)^2} \right]$$

$$f'(x) = e^{\frac{x}{4-x^2}} \left[\frac{4-x^2+2x^2}{(4-x^2)^2} \right]$$

$$f'(x) = e^{\frac{x}{4-x^2}} \left[\frac{4+x^2}{(4-x^2)^2} \right]$$

$$h) f(x) = 5^{\tan x} \ln(\sec(4x))$$

$$f'(x) = 5^{\tan x} \cdot \frac{1}{\sec(4x)} \cdot \sec(4x) \tan(4x) (4) + \ln(\sec 4x) \cdot 5^{\tan x} (\ln 5) \sec^2 x$$

$$f'(x) = 4 (5)^{\tan x} \tan(4x) + \ln 5 (5^{\tan x}) \ln(\sec 4x) \sec^2 x$$

$$i) f(x) = \cos(e^{x^4})$$

$$f'(x) = -\sin(e^{x^4}) \cdot e^{x^4} (4x^3)$$

$$f'(x) = -4x^3 e^{x^4} \sin(e^{x^4})$$

$$j) f(x) = \ln\left(\frac{3^x + 1}{3^x - 1}\right)^5$$

$$f(x) = 5 \ln\left(\frac{3^x + 1}{3^x - 1}\right)$$

$$f(x) = 5 [\ln(3^x + 1) - \ln(3^x - 1)]$$

$$f'(x) = 5 \left[\frac{1}{3^x + 1} \cdot 3^x \ln 3 - \frac{1}{3^x - 1} \cdot 3^x \ln 3 \right]$$

$$f'(x) = 5(\ln 3)(3^x) \left[\frac{1}{3^x + 1} - \frac{1}{3^x - 1} \right]$$

$$k) y = \log_4(\sin(e^{2x}))$$

$$y' = \frac{1}{\sin(e^{2x})} \cdot \frac{1}{\ln 4} \cdot \cos(e^{2x}) \cdot e^{2x} (2)$$

$$y' = \frac{2e^{2x} \cos(e^{2x})}{\ln 4 \sin(e^{2x})}$$

$$l) y = 5^{x^3} \log(x^4)$$

$$y' = 5^{x^3} \cdot \frac{1}{x^4 \ln 10} (4x^3) + \log(x^4) \cdot 5^{x^3} \ln(5) (3x^2)$$

$$y' = \frac{4(5^{x^3})}{x^4 \ln 10} + (3x^2) \ln(5) 5^{x^3} \log(x^4)$$

$$y' = 5^{x^3} \left[\frac{4}{x^4 \ln 10} + 3x^2 (\ln 5) \log(x^4) \right]$$

$$m) y = \log_3 \sqrt{x^5 + x^2}$$

$$y = \log_3 (x^5 + x^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2} \log_3 (x^5 + x^2)$$

$$y' = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{1}{(x^5 + x^2) \ln 3} (5x^4 + 2x) \right]$$

$$y' = \frac{5x^4 + 2x}{2 \ln 3 (x^5 + x^2)}$$

2. Determine $\frac{dy}{dx}$ for each of the following:

$$a) y = \frac{(2x-1)^4}{(x^3+1)^5 \sqrt{8x^2+1}}$$

$$\ln y = \ln \left[\frac{(2x-1)^4}{(x^3+1)^5 (8x^2+1)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \right]$$

$$\ln y = \ln (2x-1)^4 - \ln (x^3+1)^5 - \ln (8x^2+1)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\ln y = 4 \ln (2x-1) - 5 \ln (x^3+1) - \frac{1}{2} \ln (8x^2+1)$$

$$\frac{1}{y} \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = 4 \left(\frac{1}{2x-1} \right) \cdot 2 - 5 \left(\frac{1}{x^3+1} \right) (3x^2) - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{8x^2+1} \right) (16x)$$

$$\frac{1}{y} \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{8}{2x-1} - \frac{15x^2}{x^3+1} - \frac{8x}{8x^2+1}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{(2x-1)^4}{(x^3+1)^5 \sqrt{8x^2+1}} \left[\frac{8}{2x-1} - \frac{15x^2}{x^3+1} - \frac{8x}{8x^2+1} \right]$$

$$b) y = x^{\cos x}$$

$$\ln y = \ln (x^{\cos x})$$

$$\ln y = (\cos x) (\ln x)$$

$$\frac{1}{y} \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = \cos x \left(\frac{1}{x} \right) + \ln x (-\sin x)$$

$$\frac{1}{y} \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\cos x}{x} - (\ln x) (\sin x)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = x^{\cos x} \left[\frac{\cos x}{x} - (\ln x) (\sin x) \right]$$

$$c) y = (\sin x)^{\sin x}$$

$$\ln y = \ln (\sin x)^{\sin x}$$

$$\ln y = (\sin x) \ln (\sin x)$$

$$\frac{1}{y} \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = (\sin x) \cdot \frac{1}{\sin x} (\cos x) + \ln (\sin x) \cdot (\cos x)$$

$$\frac{1}{y} \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = \cos x + \cos x \ln (\sin x)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = (\sin x)^{\sin x} \left[\cos x + \cos x \ln (\sin x) \right]$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = (\sin x)^{\sin x} \cdot \cos x \left[1 + \ln (\sin x) \right]$$

3. Find the equation of the tangent line to the curve $2x - y \ln y = 4$ at the point $(2, 1)$.

$$\begin{aligned} x &= 2 \\ y &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$2x - y \ln y = 4$$

$$2 - \left[y \cdot \frac{1}{y} \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} + \ln y \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} \right] = 0$$

$$2 - \frac{dy}{dx} - \ln y \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$2 = \frac{dy}{dx} + \ln y \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$2 = \frac{dy}{dx} (1 + \ln y)$$

$$y - 1 = 2(x - 2)$$

$$\frac{2}{1 + \ln y} = \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\frac{2}{1 + \ln(1)} = \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$2 = \frac{dy}{dx} \quad m_{\text{tangent}}$$

4. Find the equation of the normal line to the curve $y = \ln(e^x + e^{2x})$ at the point $(0, \ln 2)$

$$\begin{cases} x = 0 \\ y = \ln 2 \end{cases}$$

$$y = \ln(e^x + e^{2x})$$

$$y' = \frac{1}{e^x + e^{2x}} [e^x + e^{2x}(2)]$$

$$y' = \frac{e^x + 2e^{2x}}{e^x + e^{2x}}$$

$$y' = \frac{e^0 + 2e^0}{e^0 + e^0} = \frac{1+2}{2} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$m_{\text{tangent}} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$m_{\text{normal}} = -\frac{2}{3}$$

$$y - \ln 2 = -\frac{2}{3}(x - 0)$$