

Basic Derivative Rules

$$1. \frac{d}{dx} [A (\text{constant})] = 0$$

$$2. \frac{d}{dx} [A f(x)] = A \cdot \frac{d}{dx} [f(x)] = A (f'(x))$$

$$3. \frac{d}{dx} [f(x) + g(x)] = f'(x) + g'(x)$$

The Product Rule

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

The Quotient Rule

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

Chain Rule (use with compositions)

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

More Chain Rule...

$$1. \frac{d}{dx} [a^x] = a^x \cdot \ln(a) \quad * a = \text{constant}$$

$$2. \frac{d}{dx} [\log_a x] = \frac{1}{\ln(a) \cdot x}$$

Derivatives of an Inverse Function

$$f(x), g(x) = f^{-1}(x), g(f(x)) = x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} [g(f(x))] = \frac{d}{dx} [x] = g'(f(x)) \cdot f'(x) = 1$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{g'(f(x))}$$

Inverse Trig Functions

$$1. y = \sin^{-1}(x) = y' = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

$$2. y = \cos^{-1}(x) = y' = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

$$3. y = \tan^{-1}(x) = y' = \frac{1}{x^2 + 1}$$

Derivatives of $\sin(x)$ / $\cos(x)$

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

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

Derivatives of e^x / $\ln(x)$

$$f(x) = e^x \rightarrow f'(x) = e^x$$

$$f(x) = \ln(x) \rightarrow f'(x) = \frac{1}{x}$$

Trig. Derivatives

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

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

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

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

Changing Log Base.

$$\log_a b = \frac{\log_c b}{\log_c a} = \frac{\ln b}{\ln a}$$

Pythagorean Identities

(In case you forget)

$$1. \sin^2(x) + \cos^2(x) = 1$$

$$2. 1 + \cot^2(x) = \csc^2(x)$$

$$3. \tan^2(x) + 1 = \sec^2(x)$$

General Derivative by Limit

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