

# Differentiation

short  
function  
list

$\frac{d}{dx}(c) = 0$	constant function rule
$\frac{d}{dx}(x) = 1$	identity rule
$\frac{d}{dx} x^p = p x^{p-1}$	power rule
$\frac{d}{dx} e^x = e^x$	exp rule
$\frac{d}{dx} \ln x = \frac{1}{x}$	ln rule

$$\frac{d}{dx} \sin x = \cos x \quad \text{trig rules}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \cos x = -\sin x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \arcsin x = \dots \quad \text{arc trig rules}$$

...

notation

$\underbrace{\frac{d}{dx}}$  (expression in  $x$ )       $\frac{d}{dx}(ax^2+b) = a \underbrace{(2x)}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{const coeff}}} + \underbrace{0}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{sum}}} \quad \begin{cases} \text{rules} & \begin{array}{l} \text{power} \\ \text{constant} \\ \text{function} \end{array} \end{cases}$   
 "take the derivative wrt  $x$   
 of the expression to the  
 immediate right"

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \text{derivative of } y \text{ wrt } x = \text{rate of change of } y \text{ wrt } x$$

operation  
rule list

$$\frac{d}{dx} f(x) = \frac{d}{dx}(\text{algebra rewrite}(f(x))) \quad \text{rewrite rule (think first before differentiating!)}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(cf(x)) = c \frac{d}{dx} f(x) \quad \text{constant multiplier rule.}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{f(x)}{c}\right) = \frac{1}{c} \frac{d}{dx} f(x) \quad \text{not quotient rule!}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(f(x) \pm g(x)) = \frac{d}{dx}f(x) \pm \frac{d}{dx}g(x) \quad \text{sum/difference rule}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(f(x)g(x)) = \left(\frac{d}{dx}f(x)\right)g(x) + f(x)\frac{d}{dx}g(x) \quad \text{product rule}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{\text{top}(x)}{\text{bot}(x)}\right) = \frac{\text{bot}(x) \frac{d}{dx}\text{top}(x) - \text{top}(x) \frac{d}{dx}\text{bot}(x)}{\text{bot}(x)^2} \quad \text{quotient rule}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{c}{f(x)}\right) = c \frac{d}{dx}(f(x))^{-1} \quad \begin{matrix} \text{not quotient rule, use} \\ \text{chain rule + rewrite rule,} \\ \text{+ const mult rule} \end{matrix}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} f(g(x)) = f'(g(x)) \frac{d}{dx} g(x) \quad \text{chain rule}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} f(u) = f'(u) \frac{du}{dx} \quad \left[ \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \frac{du}{dx} \right]$$

MAPLE

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> diff(f(x), x); or > f := x -> x^2; (MAPLE FUNCTION)
> simplify(%);
or
> D(f)(x);
> simplify(%);
> with(Student[Calculus1]);
> DiffTutor(f(x));
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