



# MATHS101

Lesson 7

## **2.8 The Derivative as a Function**

### **3.1 Derivative of Polynomials and Exponential Functions**

slope  $\rightarrow$  Point  $a = (\overset{x_1}{4}, \overset{y_1}{6})$ , Point  $b = (\overset{x_2}{12}, \overset{y_2}{8})$

$$\text{slope} \Rightarrow m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{8 - 6}{12 - 4} = \frac{2}{8} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\lim_{x_1 \rightarrow x_2} \frac{f(x_2) - f(x_1)}{x_2 - x_1}$$

$$\rightarrow h = x_2 - x_1$$

$$x_2 = h + x_1$$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(h + x_1) - f(x_1)}{h}$$

## 2.8 | The Derivative as a Function

$$f(x) = x^3 - x$$

$$f'(x) = 3 \cdot (x^{3-1}) - 1 \cdot (x^{1-1})$$
$$= 3x^2 - 1$$

$x^0 = 1$

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

If  $f(x) = x^3 - x$ , find a formula for  $f'(x)$ .

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{[(x+h)^3 - (x+h)] - [x^3 - x]}{h}$$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cancel{x^3} + 3x^2h + 3xh^2 + h^3 - \cancel{x} - h - \cancel{x^3} + \cancel{x}}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{3x^2h + 3xh^2 + h^3 - h}{h}$$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cancel{h} (3x^2 + 3xh + h^2 - 1)}{\cancel{h}} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 3x^2 + 3\overset{0}{\cancel{xh}} + \overset{0}{\cancel{h^2}} - 1 = 3x^2 - 1$$

If  $f(x) = x^3 - x$ , find a formula for  $f'(x)$ .  $f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{[(x+h)^3 - (x+h)] - (x^3 - x)}{h}$$

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cancel{x^3} + 3x^2h + 3xh^2 + h^3 - \cancel{x} - h - \cancel{x^3} + \cancel{x}}{h}$$

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{3x^2h + 3xh^2 + h^3 - h}{h} \Rightarrow \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cancel{h}(3x^2 + 3xh + h^2 - 1)}{\cancel{h}}$$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 3x^2 + \overset{0}{\cancel{3xh}} + \overset{0}{\cancel{h^2}} - 1 \Rightarrow f'(x) = 3x^2 - 1$$

If  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$ , find the derivative of  $f$ . State the domain of  $f'$ .  $f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$

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

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

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x}} \Rightarrow f'(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x}} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$$

$$f(x) = \sqrt{x} \Rightarrow \text{Domain } [0, \infty), f'(x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \Rightarrow \text{Domain } (0, \infty)$$

Find  $f'$  if  $f(x) = \frac{1-x}{2+x}$ .

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

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0}$$

$$\frac{\frac{1-(x+h)}{2+(x+h)} - \frac{1-x}{2+x}}{h}$$

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$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0}$$

$$\frac{(2+x)(1-x+h) - (2+x+h)(1-x)}{h(2+x)(2+x+h)}$$

$$\frac{\frac{a}{b}}{\frac{c}{d}} = \frac{ad}{bc}$$

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0}$$

$$\frac{(2+x)(1-x+h) - (2+x+h)(1-x)}{h(2+x)(2+x+h)}$$



$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(1-x-h)(2+x) - (1-x)(2+x+h)}{h(2+x+h)(2+x)}$$

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cancel{2-x} - 2h - \cancel{x^2} - \cancel{xh} - \cancel{2+x} - h + \cancel{x^2} + \cancel{xh}}{h(2+x+h)(2+x)}$$

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-3\cancel{h}}{\cancel{h}(2+x+h)(2+x)} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-3}{(2+x+\overset{0}{\cancel{h}})(2+x)}$$

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

### 3.1 | Derivatives of Polynomials and Exponential Functions

**The Power Rule (General Version)** If  $n$  is any real number, then

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

$$x^2$$
$$2 \cdot (x^{2-1}) = 2x$$

If  $f(x) = x^6$ , then  $f'(x) = 6x^5$ .

If  $y = x^{1000}$ , then  $y' = 1000x^{999}$ .

If  $y = t^4$ , then  $\frac{dy}{dt} = 4t^3$ .



### Derivative of a Constant Function

$$\frac{d}{dx}(c) = 0$$

$$f(x) = 3, \text{ find } f'(x) = 0$$

**The Sum and Difference Rules** If  $f$  and  $g$  are both differentiable, then

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

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

$$f'(x), y'$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(x^8 + 12x^5 - 4x^4 + 10x^3 - 6x + 5) \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx}x^8 + \frac{d}{dx}12x^5 - \dots - \dots$$

$$8x^7 + 12 \cdot (5)x^4 - 4(4)x^3 + 10(3)x^2 - 6(1) + 0$$

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

## Derivative of the Natural Exponential Function

$$\frac{d}{dx}(e^x) = e^x$$

## Derivative of the Exponential Function

$$y = b^{f(x)} \Rightarrow y' = b^{f(x)} \ln(b) f'(x)$$

Ex ①  $y = 2^x$

$$y' = 2^x \ln(2) \quad (1)$$

$$= 2^x \ln(2)$$

Ex ②  $y = 7^{(3x+x^2)}$

$$y' = 7^{(3x+x^2)} \ln(7)$$

$$\cdot (3(1) + 2x')$$

$$= 7^{(3x+x^2)} \ln(7) (3 + 2x)$$

**3–34** Differentiate the function.

**3.**  $g(x) = 4x + 7$

**5.**  $f(x) = x^{75} - x + 3$

**10.**  $r(z) = z^{-5} - z^{1/2}$

**18.**  $W(t) = \sqrt{t} - 2e^t$

**20.**  $F(t) = (2t - 3)^2$

**41–42** Find equations of the tangent line and normal line to the curve at the given point.

**42.**  $y = x^{3/2}, \quad (1, 1)$