

W5 – Differentiation Rules for Exponential Functions

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Unit 3

SOLUTIONS

1)a) Rewrite the function $y = b^x$ with base e .

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

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

b) Find the derivative of your function in part a) and simplify.

$$y' = e^{x \ln(b)} [\ln(b)]$$

$$y' = e^{\ln(b^x)} [\ln(b)]$$

$$y' = b^x \ln(b)$$

2) Differentiate with respect to x .

a) $y = e^{-3x}$

$$y' = e^{-3x} (-3)$$

$$y' = -3e^{-3x}$$

b) $f(x) = e^{4x-5}$

$$f'(x) = e^{4x-5} (4)$$

$$f'(x) = 4e^{4x-5}$$

c) $y = e^{2x} - e^{-2x}$

$$y' = e^{2x}(2) - e^{-2x}(-2)$$

$$y' = 2e^{2x} + 2e^{-2x}$$

d) $y = 2^x + 3^x$

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

e) $f(x) = 3e^{2x} - 2^{3x}$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= 3e^{2x}(2) - 2^{3x} \ln(2)(3) \\ &= 6e^{2x} - 3\ln(2)(2^{3x}) \end{aligned}$$

f) $y = 4xe^x$

$$y' = 4(e^x) + e^x(4x)$$

$$y' = 4e^x + 4xe^x$$

$$g) y = 5^x e^{-x}$$

$$h) f(x) = xe^{2x} + 2e^{-3x}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} y' = 5^x (\ln 5)(e^{-x}) + (e^{-x})(-1)(5^x) \\ y' = 5^x (\ln 5)(e^{-x}) - e^{-x}(5^x) \\ y' = 5^x (e^{-x})(\ln 5 - 1) \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} f'(x) = 1(e^{2x}) + (e^{2x})(2)x - 6e^{-3x} \\ f'(x) = e^{2x} + 2xe^{2x} - 6e^{-3x} \\ f'(x) = e^{2x} (1 + 2x - 6e^{-5x}) \end{array}$$

3) Determine the derivative with respect to x for each function.

$$a) y = e^{-x} \sin x$$

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

$$y' = -e^{-x} \sin x + \cos x (e^{-x})$$

$$y' = e^{\cos x} (-\sin x)$$

$$y' = e^{-x} (-\sin x + \cos x)$$

$$y' = -\sin x (e^{\cos x})$$

$$y' = e^{-x} (\cos x - \sin x)$$

$$c) f(x) = e^{2x}(x^2 - 3x + 2)$$

$$d) g(x) = 2x^2 e^{\cos(2x)}$$

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

$$f'(x) = e^{2x} [2x^2 - 6x + 4 + 2x - 3]$$

$$f'(x) = e^{2x} (2x^2 - 4x + 1)$$

$$g'(x) = 4x [e^{\cos(2x)}] + e^{\cos(2x)} [-\sin(2x)] (2)(2x^2)$$

$$g'(x) = 4x e^{\cos(2x)} [1 - x \sin(2x)]$$

4) Identify the coordinates of any local extrema of the function $y = e^x - e^{2x}$

$$y' = e^x - 2e^{2x}$$

$$0 = e^x - 2e^{2x}$$

$$2e^{2x} = e^x$$

$$2e^x = 1$$

$$e^x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$x = \ln\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$y\left[\ln\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\right] = e^{\ln\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)} - e^{2\left[\ln\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\right]}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4}$$

2nd deriv. test:

$$y'' = e^x - 4e^{2x}$$

$$y''\left[\ln\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\right] = \frac{1}{2} - 4\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) \\ = -\frac{1}{2}$$

as concave down

Max at $\left[\ln\left(\frac{1}{2}\right), \frac{1}{4}\right]$

5) Find an equation for the tangent to the curve $y = 2e^{2x} + 2x + 1$ when $x = 0$.

Point:

$$y(0) = 2e^{2(0)} + 2(0) + 1$$

$$y(0) = 2 + 0 + 1$$

$$y(0) = 3$$

$$(0, 3)$$

Slope:

$$y' = 4e^{2x} + 2$$

$$y'(0) = 4e^{2(0)} + 2$$

$$y'(0) = 4 + 2$$

$$y'(0) = 6$$

$$m = 6$$

Eqn:

$$y = mx + b$$

$$3 = 6(0) + b$$

$$b = 3$$

$$y = 6x + 3$$

6) Find the equation of the tangent to $y = x \ln x$ that is parallel to $y = 3x + 7$.

$$m = 3$$

$$y' = (1) \ln(x) + \frac{1}{x \ln e} (x)$$

Point:

$$y(e^2) = e^2 \ln(e^2)$$

$$y(e^2) = 2e^2$$

$$(e^2, 2e^2)$$

Eqn:

$$y = mx + b$$

$$2e^2 = 3(e^2) + b$$

$$2e^2 - 3e^2 = b$$

$$b = -e^2$$

$$x = e^2$$

$$y = 3x - e^2$$

7) Find all local extrema for $y = \frac{1}{2}x(2)^{3x+1}$.

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

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

$$0 = \frac{1}{2}(2)^{3x+1} \left[1 + 3x\ln(2) \right]$$

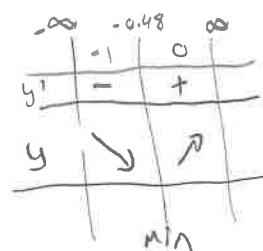
$$0 = 2^{3x+1}$$

No solution

$$0 = 1 + 3x\ln(2)$$

$$x = \frac{-1}{3\ln(2)}$$

1st deriv. test:



Min at $(-0.48, -0.18)$

$$x \approx -0.48$$

$$y(-0.48) = -0.18$$

8) Continuous growth or decay follows the formula $A = ce^{kt}$, where c is the initial amount, and k is a rate factor. The mass of a radioactive substance is 1000 g on day 1, and only 100 g after 100 days. Find ...

a) k , then write the equation with c and k

$$100 = 1000e^{k(100)}$$

$$\frac{1}{10} = e^{100k}$$

$$\ln\left(\frac{1}{10}\right) = 100k$$

$$k = \frac{\ln\left(\frac{1}{10}\right)}{100}$$

$$A(t) = 1000e^{-0.023t}$$

$$k \approx -0.023$$

b) the half-life,

$$500 = 1000e^{-0.023t}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} = e^{-0.023t}$$

$$\ln\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = -0.023t$$

$$t \approx 30.14 \text{ days}$$

b) the amount that remains after 300 days, and

$$A(300) = 1000e^{-0.023(300)}$$

$$A(300) \approx 1 \text{ gram.}$$

c) the rate of decay after 50 days.

$$A'(t) = 1000e^{-0.023t} (-0.023)$$

$$A'(t) = -23e^{-0.023t}$$

$$A'(50) = -23e^{-0.023(50)}$$

$$A'(50) \approx -7.28 \text{ g/day.}$$

Answers:

1)a) $y = e^{x \ln b}$ b) $\frac{dy}{dx} = (e^{x \ln b}) \ln b$

2)a) $y' = -3e^{-3x}$ b) $f'(x) = 4e^{4x-5}$ c) $y' = 2(e^{2x} + e^{-2x})$ d) $y' = 2^x(\ln 2) + 3^x(\ln 3)$

e) $f'(x) = 6e^{2x} - 3(2^{3x})\ln 2$ f) $y' = 4xe^x + 4e^x$ g) $y' = -(5^x)(e^{-x})(1 - \ln 5)$ h) $f'(x) = e^{2x}(2x + 1 - 6e^{-5x})$

3)a) $y' = e^{-x}(\cos x - \sin x)$ b) $y' = -\sin x (e^{\cos x})$ c) $f'(x) = e^{2x}(2x^2 - 4x + 1)$ d) $g'(x) = -4xe^{\cos(2x)}[x \sin(2x) - 1]$

4) local max of $y = 0.25$ when $x = \ln(0.5)$

5) $y = 6x + 3$

6) $y = 3x - e^2$

7) CN ~ -0.48 , so the point $(-0.48, -0.18)$ is a local minimum

8)a) $k \sim -0.023$, so the formula is $A = 1000e^{-0.023t}$

b) t ~ 30 days

c) $A(300) \approx 1g$

d) $A'(50) \approx -7.3g/day$