

Logarithmic Differentiation:

eg. $y = \frac{(x^3+1)(x^2-1)}{x^8+6x^4+1}$; find y' ?

Instead of using the quotient/product rule if we transform the above function using logarithms into sums (differences) and use

$$\frac{d}{dx} (\ln f(x)) = \frac{f'(x)}{f(x)}$$

$$\ln A^r = r \ln A$$

we can find y' more easily.

$$\Rightarrow \ln y = \ln \left(\frac{(x^3+1)(x^2-1)}{x^8+6x^4+1} \right)$$

$$= \ln(x^3+1) + \ln(x^2-1) - \ln(x^8+6x^4+1)$$

$$\ln(A \cdot B) = \ln A + \ln B$$

$$\ln\left(\frac{C}{D}\right) = \ln C - \ln D$$

Differentiating both sides, we get:

$$\frac{y'}{y} = \left(\frac{3x^2}{x^3+1} + \frac{2x}{x^2-1} - \frac{8x^7+24x^3}{x^8+6x^4+1} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow y' = y \left(\dots \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow y' = \frac{(x^3+1)(x^2-1)}{x^8+6x^4+1} \left[\frac{3x^2}{x^3+1} + \frac{2x}{x^2-1} - \frac{8x^7+24x^3}{x^8+6x^4+1} \right]$$

Ex 7.6: $y = f(x) = x^x \Rightarrow y' = ?$

product rule

$$\ln y = \ln x^x = (x)(\ln x) \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} (\ln y) = \frac{d}{dx} (x \cdot \ln x)$$

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

$$\Rightarrow y' = y (\ln x + 1) = (x^x)(\ln x + 1) = (\ln x + 1)(x^x)$$

eg. $y = a^x$ ($a > 0, a \neq 1$)

$$\ln y = \ln a^x = x \cdot \ln a$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{y'}{y} = (\ln a) \frac{d}{dx} (x) = \ln a \Rightarrow y' = y \ln a$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (a^x) = a^x \cdot \ln a$$

Ex 7.7: $y = x^{\ln x} \Rightarrow y' = ?$

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

$$\neq \cancel{2 \ln x} \quad \cancel{2 \ln x}$$

$$\ln y = (\ln x)^2 \Rightarrow \frac{y'}{y} \stackrel{\text{using chain rule}}{=} 2(\ln x) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$$

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

$$y' = (x^{\ln x}) \frac{2 \ln x}{x}$$

$$y' = (x^{\ln x}) \frac{(\ln x)^2}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow y' = (2 \ln x) (x^{\ln x - 1})$$

Ex 7.8 $y = (x + e^x)^{\ln x}$

Taking the logarithm of both sides and using the properties given in ***:

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

$$\frac{d}{dx} (\ln y) = \frac{d}{dx} [(\ln x) (\ln (x + e^x))]$$

$$\frac{y'}{y} \stackrel{\text{using product rule}}{=} \left(\frac{1}{x}\right) [\ln (x + e^x)] + (\ln x) \left[\frac{1 + e^x}{x + e^x}\right]$$

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

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

Find f' using logarithmic differentiation:

7.18 $f(x) = \frac{(3x^4 + x^2)^6}{(1 + x + x^2)^8} \Rightarrow f' = ?$

$$\ln f(x) = \ln \left[\frac{(3x^4 + x^2)^6}{(1 + x + x^2)^8} \right] = \ln (3x^4 + x^2)^6 - \ln (1 + x + x^2)^8$$

$$= 6 \ln (3x^4 + x^2) - 8 \ln (1 + x + x^2)$$

logarithmic differentiation:

$$\frac{f'(x)}{f(x)} = 6 \frac{12x^3 + 2x}{3x^4 + x^2} - 8 \frac{(1 + 2x)}{1 + x + x^2}$$

$$f'(x) = f(x) \left[\frac{(72x^3 + 12x)}{3x^4 + x^2} - \frac{(8 + 16x)}{1 + x + x^2} \right] = \frac{(3x^4 + x^2)^6}{(1 + x + x^2)^8} \left[\frac{72x^3 + 12x}{3x^4 + x^2} - \frac{8 + 16x}{1 + x + x^2} \right]$$

$$7.19) f(x) = (\ln x)^x \Rightarrow f'(x) = ?$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \frac{f'(x)}{f(x)} = (1) \ln (\ln x) + x \cdot \frac{(\frac{1}{x})}{\ln x}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow f'(x) = f(x) \left[\ln (\ln x) + \frac{1}{\ln x} \right]$$

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

$$f'(x) = (\ln x)^x \cdot (\ln (\ln x)) + (\ln x)^{x-1}$$

$$7.22) f(x) = x^2(1-x)^2, x_0 = 2$$

Find the eqn. of the tangent line to $f(x)$ at $x_0 = 2$

$$\text{Point } (x_0, f(x_0)) = (2, f(2)) = (2, 4)$$

$$f(2) = 2^2(1-2)^2 = 4(-1)^2 = 4$$

$$f'(x) = (2x)(1-x)^2 + x^2(2(1-x)(-1))$$

$$f'(2) = (2(2))(1-2)^2 + (2)^2(-2(1-2))$$

$$\text{slope of } = 4 + 8 = 12$$

$$\text{tg. line: } y - 4 = (12)(x - 2) = 12x - 24$$

$$y = 12x - 24 + 4 \Rightarrow y = 12x - 20$$

$$7.29) f(x) = \sqrt{10 - e^{-x}}, a = 0 \Rightarrow f'(0) = ?$$

$$f(x) = (10 - e^{-x})^{1/2} \Rightarrow f'(x) = \frac{1}{2}(10 - e^{-x})^{-1/2} \cdot (-e^{-x}(-1))$$

$$\Rightarrow f'(x) = \frac{e^{-x}}{2\sqrt{10 - e^{-x}}} \Rightarrow f'(0) = \frac{e^{-0}}{2\sqrt{10 - e^{-0}}} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{10-1}} = \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3} = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$7.33) f(x) = \frac{1}{2+4x+8e^{2x}}, a = 0$$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{u(x)}$$

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

$$f'(x) = -\frac{4 + 16e^{2x}}{(2+4x+8e^{2x})^2}$$

$$f'(0) = -\frac{4+16e^{2(0)}}{(2+4(0)+8e^{2(0)})^2} = \frac{-4+16}{(10)^2} = \frac{-20}{100} = -\frac{1}{5}$$

7.34) $f(x) = x \ln \sqrt{1+2x}$, $a=1$

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

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

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2} \left[(1) \cdot \ln (1+2x) + (x) \cdot \frac{2}{1+2x} \right]$$

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

$$f'(1) = \frac{\ln 3 + \frac{2}{3}}{2} = \frac{3 \ln 3 + 2}{6}$$

$$= \frac{\ln 27 + 2}{6}$$

7.35) $f(x) = \ln \left(\frac{x e^x}{1+x^2} \right)$, $a=2 \Rightarrow f'(2)=?$

$$f(x) = \ln (x e^x) - \ln (1+x^2)$$

$$= \ln x + \underbrace{\ln e^x}_x - \ln (1+x^2)$$

$$f(x) = \ln x + x - \ln (1+x^2)$$

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

$$f'(2) = \frac{1}{2} + 1 - \frac{4}{5}$$

$$= \frac{3}{2} - \frac{4}{5} = \frac{15-8}{10} = \frac{7}{10}$$

Find $y'(x)=?$ if $y(x) = \sqrt[3]{\frac{6(x^3-1)^2}{x^6 e^{-4x}}} = \left(\frac{6(x^3-1)^2}{x^6 e^{-4x}} \right)^{1/3}$

$$\ln y = \frac{1}{3} \ln \left[\frac{6(x^3-1)^2}{x^6 e^{-4x}} \right] = \frac{1}{3} \left[\ln 6 + 2 \ln (x^3-1) - 6 \ln x - \underbrace{\ln e^{-4x}}_{-4x} \right]$$

diff:

$$\frac{y'}{y} = \frac{1}{3} \left[0 + 2 \frac{3x^2}{x^3-1} - \frac{6}{x} + 4 \right] = \frac{1}{3} \left[\frac{6x^2}{x^3-1} - \frac{6}{x} + 4 \right]$$

$$y' = y \left[\frac{6x^3 - 6(x^3-1) + 4x(x^3-1)}{3x(x^3-1)} \right] = y \left[\frac{4x^4 - 4x + 6}{3x(x^3-1)} \right]$$

$$\frac{y'}{y} = \left(\sqrt[3]{\frac{6(x^3-1)^2}{x^6 e^{-4x}}} \right) \left(\frac{4x^4 - 4x + 6}{3x(x^3-1)} \right)$$