

3.3: Rules for Differentiation

RULE	FUNCTION	FUNCTION DERIVATIVE	EXAMPLE
Constant Rule (c is a constant)	$f(x) = c$ $y = c$ $\frac{d(c)}{dx}$	$f'(x) = 0$ $y' = 0$ $\frac{dc}{dx} = 0$	$f(x) = 3$ $f'(x) = 0$ $f(x) = 5$ $f'(x) = 0$
Power Rule \checkmark $2x^{1-1} = 2x^0$	$f(x) = x^n$ $y = x^n$ $\frac{d(x^n)}{dx}$	$f'(x) = nx^{n-1}$ $y' = nx^{n-1}$ $\frac{dx^{n-1}}{dx} = nx^{n-1}$	$y = x^6$ $y' = 6x^{6-1} = 6x^5$
*u and v are differentiable functions of x			
Constant Multiple Rule (c is a constant)	$y = cf(x)$ $y = cu$ $\frac{d(cu)}{dx}$	$y' = cf'(x)$ $y' = cu'$ $\frac{cdu}{dx} = c \frac{du}{dx} = 6x$	$\frac{d(3x^2)}{dx} \quad c=3 \quad f(x) = x^2$ $f'(x) = 2x$ $y' = (3)(2x) = 6x$ $f(x) = 6x^3 = 18x^2$ $5x^4$
Sum and Difference Rule 2	$f(x) \pm g(x)$ $u \pm v$ $\frac{d(u \pm v)}{dx}$	$f'(x) \pm g'(x)$ $u' \pm v'$ $\frac{du \pm dv}{dx}$	$f(x) = 3x^4 + 2x^3$ $f'(x) = (3)(4)x^{4-1} + (2)(3)x^{3-1}$ $= 12x^3 + 6x^2$ $2x^5 - 4x^3 + 5$
Product Rule \checkmark	$f(x) \cdot g(x)$ uv u v $\frac{d(uv)}{dx}$	$f'(x)g(x) + f(x)g'(x)$ uv u v $u'v + uv'$ $\frac{vdu + udv}{dx}$	$y = (3x^2 + 2)(5x^3 - 2x + 3)$ $f(x) = 3x^2 + 2$ $f'(x) = 6x$ $g(x) = 5x^3 - 2x + 3$ $g'(x) = 15x^2 - 2$ $y' = (6x)(5x^3 - 2x + 3) + (3x^2 + 2)(15x^2 - 2)$
Quotient Rule \checkmark $\frac{dy}{dx}$	$\frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$ u $\frac{u}{v}$ $\frac{d(u/v)}{dx}$	$\frac{f'(x)g(x) - f(x)g'(x)}{(g(x))^2}$ uv u v $\frac{u'v - v'u}{v^2}$ $\frac{vdu - udv}{dx}$	$f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 5x - 1}{x^2}$

1 $D_x c = 0$

2 $D_x (u + v) = D_x u + D_x v$

3 $D_x (uv) = u D_x v + v D_x u$

4 $D_x \left(\frac{u}{v} \right) = \frac{v D_x u - u D_x v}{v^2}$

5 $D_x f(g(x)) = f'(g(x))g'(x)$

6 $D_x u^n = nu^{n-1} D_x u$

→ 7 $D_x e^u = e^u D_x u$

8 $D_x a^u = a^u \ln a D_x u$

9 $D_x \ln |u| = \frac{1}{u} D_x u$

10 $D_x \log_a |u| = \frac{1}{u \ln a} D_x u$

11 $D_x \sin u = \cos u D_x u$

12 $D_x \cos u = -\sin u D_x u$

13 $D_x \tan u = \sec^2 u D_x u$

14 $D_x \cot u = -\csc^2 u D_x u$

15 $D_x \sec u = \sec u \tan u D_x u$

16 $D_x \csc u = -\csc u \cot u D_x u$

17 $D_x \sin^{-1} u = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-u^2}} D_x u$

18 $D_x \cos^{-1} u = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{1-u^2}} D_x u$

19 $D_x \tan^{-1} u = \frac{1}{1+u^2} D_x u$

20 $D_x \sec^{-1} u = \frac{1}{u\sqrt{u^2-1}} D_x u$

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1 $\int u dv = uv - \int v du$

2 $\int u^n du = \frac{1}{n+1} u^{n+1} + C, n \neq -1$

3 $\int \frac{1}{u} du = \ln |u| + C$

4 $\int e^u du = e^u + C$

5 $\int a^u du = \frac{1}{\ln a} a^u + C$

6 $\int \sin u du = -\cos u + C$

7 $\int \cos u du = \sin u + C$

8 $\int \sec^2 u du = \tan u + C$

9 $\int \csc^2 u du = -\cot u + C$

10 $\int \sec u \tan u du = \sec u + C$

11 $\int \csc u \cot u du = -\csc u + C$

12 $\int \tan u du = -\ln |\cos u| + C$

13 $\int \cot u du = \ln |\sin u| + C$

14 $\int \sec u du = \ln |\sec u + \tan u| + C$

15 $\int \csc u du = \ln |\csc u - \cot u| + C$

16 $\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2-u^2}} du = \sin^{-1} \frac{u}{a} + C$

17 $\int \frac{1}{a^2+u^2} du = \frac{1}{a} \tan^{-1} \frac{u}{a} + C$

18 $\int \frac{1}{u\sqrt{u^2-a^2}} du = \frac{1}{a} \sec^{-1} \frac{u}{a} + C$

19 $\int \frac{1}{a^2-u^2} du = \frac{1}{2a} \ln \left| \frac{u+a}{u-a} \right| + C$

20 $\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{u^2-a^2}} du = \ln |u + \sqrt{u^2-a^2}| + C$