

1.19 Derivatives

The addition and multiplication on \mathbb{R} is what makes the set $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{R}} = \{f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}\}$ form an \mathbb{R} -algebra with addition, scalar multiplication and multiplication given by

$$(f + g)(x) = f(x) + g(x), \quad (cf)(x) = cf(x), \quad (fg)(x) = f(x)g(x),$$

for $f, g \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{R}}$ and $c \in \mathbb{R}$.

A *derivative with respect to x* on $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{R}}$ is the function $\frac{d}{dx}: \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{R}} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{R}}$ such that

$$\frac{d(f + g)}{dx} = \frac{df}{dx} + \frac{dg}{dx}, \quad \frac{d(cf)}{dx} = c \frac{df}{dx}, \quad \frac{d(fg)}{dx} = f \frac{dg}{dx} + \frac{df}{dx} g \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{dx}{dx} = 1,$$

for $f, g \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{R}}$ and $c \in \mathbb{R}$ and where x denotes the identity function $\text{id}: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

Theorem 1.16. (*Chain rule and power formula*)

$$\frac{d(f \circ g)}{dx} = \frac{df}{dg} \frac{dg}{dx} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{d(f^g)}{dx} = f^g \left(\frac{g}{f} \frac{df}{dx} + \log f \frac{dg}{dx} \right).$$

Theorem 1.17. *If $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ then*

$$\frac{dx^n}{dx} = nx^{n-1} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{d e^x}{dx} = e^x.$$

Theorem 1.18. *If $a \in \mathbb{C}$ then*

$$\frac{d x^a}{dx} = ax^{a-1}, \quad \frac{d \log x}{dx} = \frac{1}{x}, \quad \frac{d \sin x}{dx} = \cos x, \quad \frac{d \cos x}{dx} = -\sin x.$$

1.20 Integrals

The *integral* is backwards of the derivative,

$$\text{if } \frac{dg}{dx} = f \quad \text{then} \quad \int f dx = g,$$

so that

$$\int \frac{df}{dx} dx = f, \quad \text{up to a constant.}$$

The product rule gives the formula for *integration by parts*:

$$\int u \frac{dv}{dx} dx = uv - \int v \frac{du}{dx} dx \quad \left(\text{since } \frac{d(uv)}{dx} = u \frac{dv}{dx} + v \frac{du}{dx} \right).$$

The chain rule gives the formula for *substitution*:

$$\int u dv = \int u \frac{dv}{dx} dx \quad \left(\text{since } \frac{du}{dx} = \frac{du}{dv} \frac{dv}{dx} \right).$$