

Properties of  $\frac{d}{dx}$ 

(1)  $\frac{dx}{dx} = 1$

(2) If  $c \in \mathbb{C}$  then  $\frac{d(cf)}{dx} = c \frac{df}{dx}$

(3)  $\frac{d(f+g)}{dx} = \frac{df}{dx} + \frac{dg}{dx}$

(4)  $\frac{d(fg)}{dx} = f \frac{dg}{dx} + \frac{df}{dx} g$

(5)  $\frac{df}{dx} = \frac{df}{du} \frac{du}{dx}$

Theorem 0  $\frac{d1}{dx} = 0$

Proof  $\frac{d1}{dx} = \frac{d(1 \cdot 1)}{dx} = \frac{d1}{dx} \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot \frac{d1}{dx}$

Subtract  $\frac{d1}{dx}$  from both sides to get  $\frac{d1}{dx} = 0$ .

Theorem 2:  $\frac{dx^2}{dx} = 2x$

Proof  $\frac{dx^2}{dx} = \frac{d(x \cdot x)}{dx} = x \frac{dx}{dx} + \frac{dx}{dx} x = x + x = 2x$  //

Theorem 3  $\frac{dx^3}{dx} = 3x^2.$

Proof  $\frac{dx^3}{dx} = \frac{d(x^2 \cdot x)}{dx} = x^2 \frac{dx}{dx} + \frac{dx^2}{dx} \cdot x = x^2 + 2x \cdot x$   
 $= 3x^2. //$

Theorem 4  $\frac{dx^4}{dx} = 4x^3.$

Proof  $\frac{dx^4}{dx} = \frac{d(x^3 \cdot x)}{dx} = x^3 \frac{dx}{dx} + \frac{dx^3}{dx} \cdot x = x^3 + 3x^2 \cdot x$   
 $= 4x^3. //$

Similarly for the proofs of Theorems 5, 6, 7, 8, ...

Theorem e Let

$$e^x = 1 + x + \frac{1}{1 \cdot 2} x^2 + \frac{1}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3} x^3 + \frac{1}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4} x^4 + \dots$$

Then  $\frac{de^x}{dx} = e^x.$

Proof  $\frac{de^x}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx} \left( 1 + x + \frac{1}{1 \cdot 2} x^2 + \frac{1}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3} x^3 + \frac{1}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4} x^4 + \dots \right)$

$$= \frac{d1}{dx} + \frac{dx}{dx} + \frac{1}{1 \cdot 2} \frac{dx^2}{dx} + \frac{1}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3} \frac{dx^3}{dx} + \frac{1}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4} \frac{dx^4}{dx} + \dots$$

$$= 0 + 1 + \frac{1}{1 \cdot 2} 2x + \frac{1}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3} 3x^2 + \frac{1}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4} 4x^3 + \dots$$

$$= 1 + x + \frac{1}{1 \cdot 2} x^2 + \frac{1}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3} x^3 + \dots = e^x. //$$

Theorem log Let  $\log$  be such that

$$\log(e^x) = x \text{ and } e^{\log x} = x.$$

Then  $\frac{d \log x}{dx} = \frac{1}{x}.$

Proof Let  $y = \log x$ . Then  $e^y = x$ . So

$$\frac{d e^y}{dx} = \frac{dx}{dx} \text{ so } e^y \frac{dy}{dx} = 1.$$

$$\text{So } \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{e^y}. \text{ So } \frac{d(\log x)}{dx} = \frac{1}{x}. //$$

Theorem  $x^a$  Let  $a \in \mathbb{C}$  and let  $x^a = e^{a \log x}$ .

~~Theorem~~ Then  $\frac{d x^a}{dx} = a x^{a-1}.$

Proof  $\frac{d x^a}{dx} = \frac{d e^{a \log x}}{dx} = e^{a \log x} \frac{d a \log x}{dx}$   
 $= x^a a \frac{1}{x} = a x^{a-1}. //$

Theorem sin and cos Let

$$\sin x = \frac{1}{2i} (e^{ix} - e^{-ix}) \text{ and } \cos x = \frac{1}{2} (e^{ix} + e^{-ix})$$

Then

$$\frac{d(\sin x)}{dx} = \cos x \text{ and } \frac{d(\cos x)}{dx} = -\sin x.$$

$$\text{Proof } \frac{d \sin x}{dx} = \frac{d \frac{1}{2i}(e^{ix} - e^{-ix})}{dx} = \frac{1}{2i} \left( \frac{d e^{ix}}{dx} - \frac{d e^{-ix}}{dx} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2i} (i e^{ix} - (-i) e^{-ix}) = \frac{1}{2} (e^{ix} + e^{-ix}) = \cos x,$$

and

$$\frac{d \cos x}{dx} = \frac{d \frac{1}{2}(e^{ix} + e^{-ix})}{dx} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{d e^{ix}}{dx} + \frac{d e^{-ix}}{dx} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (i e^{ix} + (-i) e^{-ix}) = \frac{1}{2} i (e^{ix} - e^{-ix})$$

$$= \frac{-1}{i^2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot i (e^{ix} - e^{-ix}) = \frac{-1}{2i} (e^{ix} - e^{-ix})$$

$$= -\sin x. //$$

Example 3.3 Let  $f(x) = 2e^x + 3x^{-7}$ . Find  $\frac{df}{dx}$ .

Solution

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{df}{dx} &= \frac{d(2e^x + 3x^{-7})}{dx} = 2 \frac{de^x}{dx} + 3 \frac{dx^{-7}}{dx} \\ &= 2e^x + 3(-7)x^{-7-1} = 2e^x - 21x^{-8} \quad \parallel\end{aligned}$$

Example 3.5 Let  $f = (x^4 - 3x) \log x$ . Find  $\frac{df}{dx}$ .

Solution

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{df}{dx} &= \frac{d((x^4 - 3x) \log x)}{dx} \\ &= (x^4 - 3x) \frac{1}{x} + (4x^3 - 3) \log x = x^3 - 3 + 4x^3 \log x - 3 \log x \quad \parallel\end{aligned}$$

Example 3.7 Let  $y = \frac{x^3}{x^2 + 1}$ . Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ .

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{d(x^3(x^2 + 1)^{-1})}{dx} = x^3(-1)(x^2 + 1)^{-2} \cdot 2x \\ &\quad + 3x^2(x^2 + 1)^{-1} \\ &= \frac{-2x^4}{(x^2 + 1)^2} + \frac{3x^2}{(x^2 + 1)} = \frac{-2x^4 + 3x^2(x^2 + 1)}{(x^2 + 1)^2} \\ &= \frac{-2x^4 + 3x^4 + 3x^2}{(x^2 + 1)^2} = \frac{x^4 + 3x^2}{(x^2 + 1)^2} \quad \parallel.\end{aligned}$$

Example 3.8 Let  $y = \tan x$ . Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$

Solution:  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{d\left(\frac{\sin x}{\cos x}\right)}{dx} = \frac{d(\sin x (\cos x)^{-1})}{dx}$

$$= \sin x (-1)(\cos x)^{-2} (-\sin x) + \cos x (\cos x)^{-1}$$

$$\therefore \frac{+\sin^2 x}{\cos^2 x} + 1 = \frac{\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x}{\cos^2 x} = \frac{1}{\cos^2 x} = \sec^2 x //$$

Example 3.10 Let  $y = \sin(3x^2 + 8)$ . Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ .

Solution:  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{d \sin(3x^2 + 8)}{dx} = \cos(3x^2 + 8) \cdot 6x$

$$= 6x \cos(3x^2 + 8)$$

Example 3.17 Let  $\sinh x = \frac{1}{2}(e^x - e^{-x})$  and

$\cosh x = \frac{1}{2}(e^x + e^{-x})$ . Find

$$\frac{d \cosh x}{dx}, \quad \frac{d^2(\cosh x)}{dx^2}, \quad \frac{d(\sinh x)}{dx}, \quad \frac{d^2(\sinh x)}{dx^2}$$

Solution  $\frac{d \cosh x}{dx} = \frac{d \frac{1}{2}(e^x + e^{-x})}{dx} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{de^x}{dx} + \frac{de^{-x}}{dx} \right)$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (e^x + (-1)e^{-x}) = \sinh x.$$

$$\frac{d \sinh x}{dx} = \frac{d\left(\frac{1}{2}(e^x - e^{-x})\right)}{dx} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{d e^x}{dx} - \frac{d e^{-x}}{dx} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (e^x - (-1)e^{-x}) = \frac{1}{2} (e^x + e^{-x}) = \cosh x.$$

Then

$$\frac{d^2}{dx^2} (\cosh x) = \frac{d}{dx} (\sinh x) = \cosh x \quad \text{and}$$

$$\frac{d^2}{dx^2} (\sinh x) = \frac{d}{dx} (\cosh x) = \sinh x \quad \Rightarrow$$