

$$Q2: f(x) = \frac{(x^p - 1)}{p}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{p \cdot (x^{p-1}) - (x^p - 1) \cdot 0}{p^2}$$

$$= \frac{p^2 x^{p-1} - 0}{p^2} = \frac{p^2 x^{p-1}}{p^2} = x^{p-1}$$

Thus if $x=1$, $f'(x) = x^{p-1} = 1^{p-1} = 1$ regardless of the value of p .