

# Derivatives Course

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Function	Derivative
$f(x) = c$	$f'(x) = 0$
$f(x) = x$	$f'(x) = 1$
$f(x) = x^n$	$f'(x) = nx^{n-1}$
$f(x) = e^x$	$f'(x) = e^x$
$f(x) = \ln(x)$	$f'(x) = \frac{1}{x}$
$f(x) = \sin(x)$	$f'(x) = \cos(x)$
$f(x) = \cos(x)$	$f'(x) = -\sin(x)$
$f(x) = \tan(x)$	$f'(x) = \sec^2(x)$

Function	Derivative	Name
$f(x) = c \cdot g(x)$	$f'(x) = c \cdot g'(x)$	Constant Multiple Rule
$f(x) = g(x) + h(x)$	$f'(x) = g'(x) + h'(x)$	Sum Rule
$f(x) = g(x) \cdot h(x)$	$f'(x) = g'(x) \cdot h(x) + g(x) \cdot h'(x)$	Product Rule
$f(x) = \frac{g(x)}{h(x)}$	$f'(x) = \frac{g'(x) \cdot h(x) - g(x) \cdot h'(x)}{h(x)^2}$	Quotient Rule
$f(x) = g(h(x))$	$f'(x) = g'(h(x)) \cdot h'(x)$	Chain Rule

## Derivative Exercises

### 1. Basic Derivatives:

- Calculate the derivative of the following functions:
  - $f(x) = 2x^3 - 5x^2 + 3x - 7$
  - $g(x) = \sin(x) + \cos(x)$
  - $h(x) = e^x - \ln(x)$

### 2. Product and Quotient Rules:

- Use the product rule to find the derivative of  $f(x) = (3x^2 + 2x)(x^3 - x + 1)$ .
- Use the quotient rule to find the derivative of  $g(x) = \frac{x^2+1}{x^3-2x}$ .

### 3. Chain Rule:

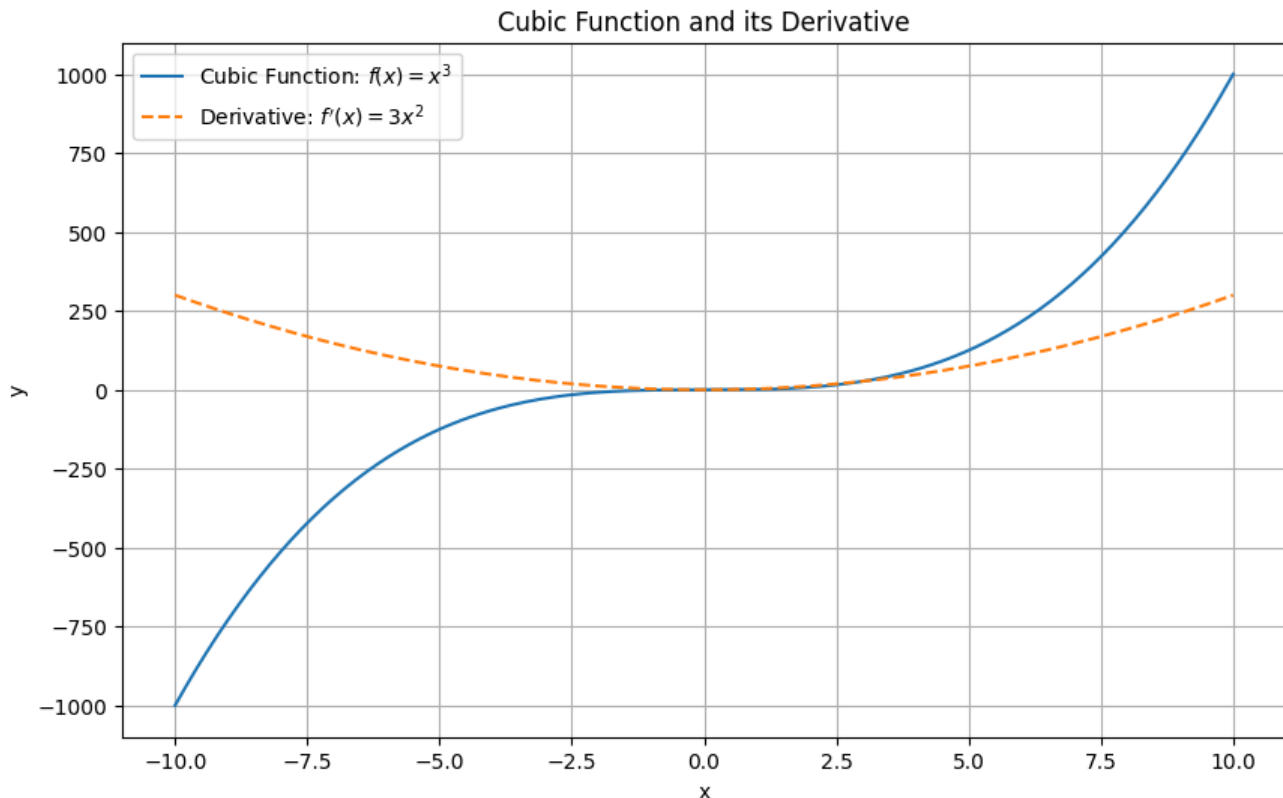
- Find the derivative of  $f(x) = \sin(x^2 + 3x)$  using the chain rule.

- Find the derivative of  $g(x) = e^{x^2+1}$  using the chain rule.

#### 4. Higher-Order Derivatives:

- Calculate the second derivative of  $f(x) = x^4 - 3x^3 + 2x^2 - x + 5$ .
- Calculate the second derivative of  $g(x) = \ln(x^2 + 1)$ .

## Derivative Interpretation



#### 1. Understanding the Function:

- What is the mathematical expression for the cubic function defined in the cell?
- How is the derivative of the cubic function calculated?

#### 2. Plot Interpretation:

- What do the solid and dashed lines represent in the plot?
- How does  $f'$  behave when  $f$  increases or decreases?

#### 3. Mathematical Concepts:

- What is the significance of the derivative of a function in calculus?
- What is the mathematical expression for the second derivative of the cubic function?
- How does  $f''$  behave when  $f'$  increases or decreases?

## Demonstration of Derivative Functions

### Derivative of Simple Functions Using Limits

The derivative of a function  $f(x)$  at a point  $x$  is defined as the limit of the average rate of change of the function as the interval around  $x$  approaches zero. The derivative of a function  $f(x)$  at a point  $x$  is denoted as  $f'(x)$  or  $\frac{df}{dx}$ .

The derivative of a function  $f(x)$  at a point  $x$  is defined as:

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$$

To understand the concept of derivatives, let's start with some simple functions and calculate their derivatives using the limit definition.

### 1. Derivative of $f(x) = x^2$

The derivative of  $f(x) = x^2$  using the limit definition is:

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x+h)^2 - x^2}{h}$$

Simplifying the expression inside the limit:

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 + 2xh + h^2 - x^2}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2xh + h^2}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} (2x + h) = 2x$$

### 2. Derivative of $f(x) = x$

The derivative of  $f(x) = x$  using the limit definition is:

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x+h) - x}{h}$$

Simplifying the expression inside the limit:

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{x + h - x}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 1 = 1$$

### 3. Derivative of $f(x) = c \cdot g(x)$

The derivative of  $f(x) = c \cdot g(x)$  using the limit definition is:

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{c \cdot g(x+h) - c \cdot g(x)}{h}$$

Factoring out the constant  $c$ :

$$f'(x) = c \cdot \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(x+h) - g(x)}{h}$$

By definition, this is:

$$f'(x) = c \cdot g'(x)$$