



# Logarithmic Functions

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DERIVATIVES

# Laws of Exponents

i.  $a^m a^n = a^{m+n}$

ii.  $\frac{a^m}{a^n} = a^{m-n}$  where  $a \neq 0$

iii.  $(a^m)^n = a^{mn}$

iv.  $(ab)^n = a^n b^n$

v.  $\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^n = \frac{a^n}{b^n}$  where  $b \neq 0$

# Laws of Radicals

$$\text{i. } \sqrt[n]{a^n} = a$$

$$\text{ii. } \sqrt[n]{a^m} = a^{\frac{m}{n}}$$

$$\text{iii. } \sqrt[n]{a} \sqrt[n]{b} = \sqrt[n]{ab}$$

$$\text{iv. } \sqrt[n]{\frac{a}{b}} = \frac{\sqrt[n]{a}}{\sqrt[n]{b}}$$

$$\text{v. } \sqrt[n]{\sqrt[m]{a}} = \sqrt[nm]{a}$$

# Laws of Logarithms

i.  $\log_b MN = \log_b M + \log_b N$

ii.  $\log_b \frac{M}{N} = \log_b M - \log_b N$

iii.  $\log_b N^p = p \log_b N$

iv.  $\log_b b = 1$

v.  $b^{\log_b N} = N$

# Derivative of Logarithmic Functions

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$$\text{i. } d(\log u) = \frac{M}{u} (d)u$$

$$\text{ii. } d(\log_b u) = \frac{1}{u} \log_b e (d)u$$

$$\text{iii. } d(\ln u) = \frac{1}{u} (d)u$$

Where  $u$  is a differentiable function of  $x$ ,  
 $M$  is called the modulus of common logarithm  
 $M = 0.4343$

**Example:** Find  $y'$  if  $y = \log_5(4x - 1)$

**Solution:** Let  $u = 4x - 1$

$$y' = \frac{1}{4x - 1} \log_5 e \cdot d(4x - 1)$$

$$y' = \frac{1}{4x - 1} \log_5 e (4)$$

$$y' = \frac{4}{4x - 1} \log_5 e$$

$$**$y' = \frac{4 \log_5 e}{4x - 1}$**$$

$$d(\log u) = \frac{1}{u} (d)u$$

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$$d(\ln u) = \frac{1}{u} (d)u$$

Example:

Find  $y'$  if  $y = \ln \frac{x-2}{x+2}$

Solution:

Let  $u = \frac{x-2}{x+2}$

$$y' = \frac{1}{\frac{x-2}{x+2}} d\left(\frac{x-2}{x+2}\right)$$

$$y' = \frac{x+2}{x-2} \left[ \frac{(x+2)(1) - (x-2)(1)}{(x+2)^2} \right]$$

$$y' = \frac{1}{x-2} \left[ \frac{x+2 - x+2}{x+2} \right]$$

$$y' = \frac{1}{x-2} \left[ \frac{4}{x+2} \right]$$

$$y' = \frac{4}{(x-2)(x+2)} = \frac{4}{x^2 - 4}$$

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**Example:** Find  $y'$  if  $y = \ln^2(\sin 3x)$

**Solution:** Let  $u = \sin 3x$

$$y' = 2 \ln(\sin 3x) \cdot \frac{1}{\sin 3x} d(\sin 3x)$$

$$y' = 2 \ln(\sin 3x) \cdot \frac{1}{\sin 3x} (3 \cos 3x)$$

$$y' = 2 \ln(\sin 3x) \cdot \frac{3 \cos 3x}{\sin 3x}$$

$$\mathbf{y' = 6 \cot 3x \ln(\sin 3x)}$$

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**Example:** Find  $y'$  if  $y = \ln (\sin 3x)^2$

**Solution 1:**

$$y' = \frac{1}{(\sin 3x)^2} \cdot 2(\sin 3x)(3 \cos 3x)$$

$$y' = \frac{6 \cos 3x}{\sin 3x}$$

$$\mathbf{y' = 6 \cot 3x}$$

**Solution 2:**

$$y = \ln(\sin 3x)^2$$

$$y = 2 \ln(\sin 3x)$$

$$y' = 2 \cdot \frac{1}{\sin 3x} \cdot 3 \cos 3x$$

$$y' = 6 \cdot \frac{\cos 3x}{\sin 3x}$$

$$\mathbf{y' = 6 \cot 3x}$$

$$d(\log u) = \frac{M}{u} (d)u$$

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$$d(\ln u) = \frac{1}{u} (d)u$$

Example:

Find  $y'$  if  $y = x^2 \ln 3x$

Solution:

$$y' = x^2 \cdot \frac{1}{3x} \cdot 3 + \ln 3x \cdot 2x$$

$$y' = x + 2x \ln 3x$$

$$y' = x(1 + 2 \ln 3x)$$

Example:

Find  $y'$  if  $y = \ln(x^3 + 2)(x^2 + 3)$

$$y = \ln(x^3 + 2) + \ln(x^2 + 3)$$

Solution:

$$y' = \frac{1}{x^3 + 2} \cdot 3x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2 + 3} \cdot 2x$$

$$y' = \frac{3x^2}{x^3 + 2} + \frac{2x}{x^2 + 3}$$

$$d(\log u) = \frac{M}{u} (d)u$$

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**Example:** Find  $y'$  if  $y = \ln \frac{x^4}{(3x-4)^2}$

**Solution 1:**

$$y' = \frac{1}{\frac{x^4}{(3x-4)^2}} d \left[ \frac{x^4}{(3x-4)^2} \right]$$

$$y' = \frac{1}{\frac{x^4}{(3x-4)^2}} \left[ \frac{(3x-4)^2(4x^3) - x^4(2)(3x-4)(3)}{(3x-4)^4} \right]$$

$$y' = \frac{(3x-4)^2(2x^3)(3x-4)}{x^4} \left[ \frac{(3x-4)(2) - 3x}{(3x-4)^4} \right]$$

$$y' = \frac{(3x-4)^3(2x^3)}{x^4} \left[ \frac{6x-8-3x}{(3x-4)^4} \right]$$

$$y' = \frac{(3x-4)^3(2x^3)}{x^4} \left[ \frac{3x-8}{(3x-4)^4} \right]$$

$$y' = \frac{2(3x-8)}{x(3x-4)}$$

$$d(\log u) = \frac{M}{u} (d)u$$

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$$d(\ln u) = \frac{1}{u} (d)u$$

Example:

Find  $y'$  if  $y = \ln \frac{x^4}{(3x-4)^2}$

$$y = \ln x^4 - \ln(3x - 4)^2$$

$$y = 4\ln x - 2\ln(3x - 4)$$

Solution 2:

$$y' = 4 \cdot \frac{1}{x} \cdot 1 - 2 \cdot \frac{1}{3x - 4} \cdot 3$$

$$y' = \frac{4}{x} - \frac{6}{3x - 4}$$

$$y' = \frac{4(3x - 4) - 6x}{x(3x - 4)}$$

$$y' = \frac{12x - 16 - 6x}{x(3x - 4)}$$

$$y' = \frac{6x - 16}{x(3x - 4)}$$

$$d(\log u) = \frac{1}{u} (d)u$$

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$$d(\ln u) = \frac{1}{u} (d)u$$

**Example:** Find  $y'$  if  $y = \ln(x + \sqrt{1 + x^2})$

**Solution:**

$$d(\log u) = \frac{1}{u} (d)u$$

$$d(\log_b u) = \frac{1}{u} \log_b e (d)u$$

$$d(\ln u) = \frac{1}{u} (d)u$$

$$y' = \frac{1}{x + \sqrt{1 + x^2}} d(x + \sqrt{1 + x^2})$$

$$y' = \frac{1}{x + \sqrt{1 + x^2}} \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{2} (1 + x^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} (2x) \right]$$

$$y' = \frac{1}{x + \sqrt{1 + x^2}} \left[ 1 + \frac{2x}{2\sqrt{1 + x^2}} \right]$$

$$y' = \frac{1}{x + \sqrt{1 + x^2}} \left[ 1 + \frac{x}{\sqrt{1 + x^2}} \right]$$

$$y' = \frac{1}{x + \sqrt{1 + x^2}} \left[ \frac{\sqrt{1 + x^2} + x}{\sqrt{1 + x^2}} \right]$$

$$y' = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + x^2}}$$

**Example:** Find  $y'$  if  $\log xy = 1 + \log(x + y)$

**Solution:**

$$\frac{M}{xy} (xy' + y \cdot 1) = \frac{M}{(x + y)} (1 + y')$$

$$\frac{M}{y} y' + \frac{M}{x} = \frac{M}{(x + y)} + \frac{M}{(x + y)} \cdot y'$$

$$\frac{M}{y} y' - \frac{M}{(x + y)} \cdot y' = \frac{M}{(x + y)} - \frac{M}{x}$$

$$y' \left( \frac{M}{y} - \frac{M}{x + y} \right) = \frac{M}{(x + y)} - \frac{M}{x}$$

$$y' \left( \frac{M(x + y) - My}{y(x + y)} \right) = \frac{Mx - M(x + y)}{x(x + y)}$$

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$$y' = \frac{y[Mx - M(x + y)]}{x[M(x + y) - My]}$$

$$y' = \frac{y[Mx - Mx - My]}{x[Mx + My - My]}$$

$$y' = \frac{y[-My]}{x[Mx]}$$

$$y' = \frac{-My^2}{Mx^2} = \frac{-y^2}{x^2}$$

Example:

Find  $y'$  if  $y \ln x = 1 + \ln(\ln x) + \ln x$

Solution:

$$y \cdot \frac{1}{x} \cdot 1 + \ln x \cdot y' = \frac{1}{\ln x} \cdot \frac{1}{x} \cdot 1 + \frac{1}{x} \cdot 1$$

$$\frac{y}{x} + \ln x \cdot y' = \frac{1}{x \ln x} + \frac{1}{x}$$

$$\ln x \cdot y' = \frac{1}{x \ln x} + \frac{1}{x} - \frac{y}{x}$$

$$\ln x \cdot y' = \frac{1 + \ln x - y \ln x}{x \ln x}$$

$$y' = \frac{1 + \ln x - y \ln x}{x \ln^2 x}$$

$$d(\log u) = \frac{M}{u} (d)u$$

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**Example:** Find  $y'$  of  $y = (x^2 + 2)^3(1 - x^3)^4$

**Solution:** Solve by **Logarithmic Differentiation**

$$\ln y = \ln(x^2 + 2)^3(1 - x^3)^4$$

$$\ln y = \ln(x^2 + 2)^3 + \ln(1 - x^3)^4$$

$$\ln y = 3 \ln(x^2 + 2) + 4 \ln(1 - x^3)$$

$$\frac{1}{y} \cdot y' = 3 \cdot \frac{1}{x^2 + 2} \cdot 2x + 4 \cdot \frac{1}{1 - x^3} \cdot -3x^2$$

$$\frac{1}{y} \cdot y' = \frac{6x}{x^2 + 2} - \frac{12x^2}{1 - x^3}$$

$$y' = y \left[ \frac{6x}{x^2 + 2} - \frac{12x^2}{1 - x^3} \right]$$

$$y' = (x^2 + 2)^3(1 - x^3)^4 \left[ \frac{6x}{x^2 + 2} - \frac{12x^2}{1 - x^3} \right]$$



**Example:** Find  $y'$  of  $y = \frac{x(1-x^2)^2}{(1+x^2)^{1/2}}$

**Solution:** Solve by **Logarithmic Differentiation**

$$\ln y = \ln \frac{x(1-x^2)^2}{(1+x^2)^{1/2}}$$

$$\ln y = \ln x(1-x^2)^2 - \ln(1+x^2)^{1/2}$$

$$\ln y = \ln x + \ln(1-x^2)^2 - \ln(1+x^2)^{1/2}$$

$$\ln y = \ln x + 2 \ln(1-x^2) - \frac{1}{2} \ln(1+x^2)$$

$$\frac{1}{y} \cdot y' = \frac{1}{x} \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot \frac{1}{1-x^2} \cdot -2x - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{1+x^2} \cdot 2x$$

$$\frac{1}{y} \cdot y' = \frac{1}{x} - \frac{4x}{1-x^2} - \frac{x}{1+x^2}$$

$$y' = y \left[ \frac{1}{x} - \frac{4x}{1-x^2} - \frac{x}{1+x^2} \right]$$

$$y' = \frac{x(1-x^2)^2}{(1+x^2)^{1/2}} \left[ \frac{1}{x} - \frac{4x}{1-x^2} - \frac{x}{1+x^2} \right]$$

**Example:** Find  $y'$  of  $y = x^{\ln x}$

**Solution:** Solve by **Logarithmic Differentiation**

$$\ln y = \ln x^{\ln x}$$

$$\ln y = (\ln x) \ln x$$

$$\ln y = \ln^2 x$$

$$\frac{1}{y} \cdot y' = 2 \ln x \cdot \frac{1}{x} \cdot 1$$

$$\frac{1}{y} \cdot y' = \frac{2}{x} \ln x$$

$$y' = y \left[ \frac{2 \ln x}{x} \right]$$

$$y' = x^{\ln x} \left[ \frac{2 \ln x}{x} \right]$$

**Example:** Find  $y'$  of  $y = (\cos x)^{2x}$

**Solution:** Solve by **Logarithmic Differentiation**

$$\ln y = \ln(\cos x)^{2x}$$

$$\ln y = 2x \ln \cos x$$

$$\frac{1}{y} \cdot y' = 2x \cdot \frac{1}{\cos x} \cdot -\sin x + \ln \cos x \cdot 2$$

$$\frac{1}{y} \cdot y' = \frac{-2x \sin x}{\cos x} + 2 \ln \cos x$$

$$\frac{1}{y} \cdot y' = -2x \tan x + 2 \ln \cos x$$

$$y' = y[-2x \tan x + 2 \ln \cos x]$$

$$y' = \cos x^{2x} [-2x \tan x + 2 \ln \cos x]$$

## Home Work #12:

Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  and simplify whenever possible.

1.  $y = \log \sqrt{2x - 8}$

6.  $y = \log \sqrt[3]{\sqrt{12x}}$

2.  $y = \ln \sqrt{\frac{x-1}{x+1}}$

7.  $y = x^{x^x}$

3.  $y = \log(4 + 3 \sin 2x)$

8.  $y = \frac{1}{2}(x^2 + 4) \ln(x^2 + 4) - x^2$

4.  $y = \ln^4(x + 3)$

9.  $\sin y = \ln(x + y)$

5.  $y = \sqrt[3]{\frac{x^2(x+1)}{(x-4)^3}}$

10.  $x \ln y + y \ln x = 1$