

Differential Calculus
MTH 62-140
Laws/Theorems/Definitions About Derivatives

1. Definition of Derivative:

(a) Derivative at a number a :

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

(b) Derivative at a number a :

$$f'(a) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a}$$

(c) Derivative function:

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

2. Derivatives

(a) $(x^n)' = nx^{n-1}$

(b) $(e^x)' = e^x$

(c) $(\ln(x))' = \frac{1}{x}$

(d) $(\log_b(x))' = \frac{1}{x \ln b}$

(e) $(\sin(x))' = \cos(x)$

(f) $(\cos(x))' = -\sin(x)$

(g) $(\tan(x))' = \sec^2(x)$

(h) $(\csc(x))' = -\csc(x) \cot(x)$

(i) $(\sec(x))' = \sec(x) \tan(x)$

(j) $(\cot(x))' = -\csc^2(x)$

(k) $(\sin^{-1}(x))' = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$

$$(l) \quad (\cos^{-1}(x))' = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

$$(m) \quad (\tan^{-1}(x))' = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$$

$$(n) \quad (\csc^{-1}(x))' = -\frac{1}{x\sqrt{x^2-1}}$$

$$(o) \quad (\sec^{-1}(x))' = \frac{1}{x\sqrt{x^2-1}}$$

$$(p) \quad (\cot^{-1}(x))' = -\frac{1}{1+x^2}$$