

# Office Hours!

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# A Warning!



$$\frac{d}{dx} (f(x)g(x)) \neq f'(x) \times g'(x)$$



**Example:**  $5x^4 = \frac{d}{dx} (x^5) = \frac{d}{dx} (x^2 \cdot x^3) \neq (2x)(3x^2) = 6x^3$

**Example:** Find the derivative of  $(x+1)(2x+3)$

**Question:**  $\frac{d}{dx} ((x^2+1)(x^3+1)) = ?$

A =  $6x^3$     B =  $5x^4 + 3x^2 + 2x$     C =  $x^5 + x^3 + x^2 + 1$     D = Other

**Answer:** B

# Once upon a time...

There was a happy math professor and he told his happy students:

“When you work out **derivatives** **ALWAYS** write the  $\frac{d}{dx}$  part so you write something like

$$\frac{d}{dx} (3x^2 + 5x + 2) = 6x + 5$$

and you never-ever-ever write

$$3x^2 + 5x + 2 \quad 6x + 5 \quad \text{or even worse}$$

$$3x^2 + 5x + 2 = 6x + 5.$$

Because if you don't do as I say I will become a sad math professor and you will repeat this class.”

# A Few Review Examples:

(1) If  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$ , what is  $f'(16)$ ?

$$A = \frac{1}{2} \quad B = \frac{1}{4} \quad C = \frac{1}{8} \quad D = \frac{1}{16} \quad E = \frac{1}{32} \quad \boxed{C}$$

(2) What is the  $x$ -coordinate of the point on the graph of  $y = 4x^2 - 3x + 7$  where the graph has slope 13?

$$A = 0 \quad B = 1 \quad C = 2 \quad D = 3 \quad E = 4 \quad \boxed{C}$$

(3) A circle is expanding so that after  $R$  seconds it has radius  $R$  cm. What is the rate of increase of area inside the circle after 2 seconds?

$$A = 4\pi \quad B = 2\pi R^2 \quad C = 2 \quad D = 2\pi R \quad E = \pi R^2 \quad \boxed{A}$$

# Exponential Functions (§8.8)

Is there a function  $f(x)$  which equals its own derivative? That is, can you find a function  $f(x)$  with

$$f'(x) = f(x)?$$

There are many many **uses** for it.

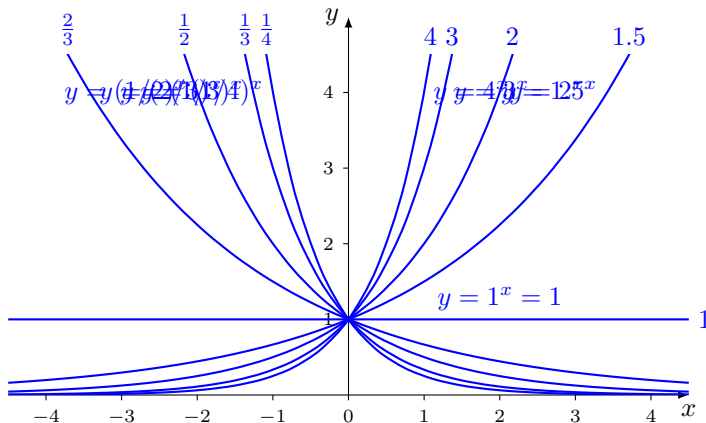
One boring answer:  $f(x) = 0$ . Is there another?

Yes:

$$\frac{d}{dx}(e^x) = e^x.$$

What's up with that?

# The Derivative of $f(x) = a^x$



**Question:** Which “ $a$ ” should we use?

# The Derivative of $f(x) = a^x$

The slope of the graph at  $x = 0$  is

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

This is a **constant** that depends on what  $a$  is.

Examples:

$a$	1	2	2.718...	3	4
$f'(0)$	0	0.6931	1	1.0986	1.3863

More generally,

$$f'(x) \approx \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \frac{a^{x+h} - a^x}{h} = \frac{a^x(a^h - 1)}{h} = a^x \left( \frac{a^h - 1}{h} \right)$$

**Moral:** The derivative of  $f(x) = a^x$  is a multiple of itself!

**Second Moral:** That multiple is 1 when  $a = 2.718281828 \dots = e$ .

# Factorials

$5! = 1 \times 2 \times 3 \times 4 \times 5$  is called **5 factorial** and is the product of the whole numbers from 1 up to 5.

What is  $5!$ ?

$$A = 5 \quad B = 20 \quad C = 60 \quad D = 120 \quad E = 720$$

D

Why do we care? There are  $5!$  **orders** in which to trim the nails on your left hand.

Similarly  $n!$  (“ $n$  factorial”) is the product of all the whole numbers from 1 up to  $n$ .

**Question:** What is  $\frac{n!}{n}$ ?

$$A = 1 \quad B = n \quad C = (n - 1)! \quad D = (n + 1)!$$

C

Factorials come up a lot in **probability and statistics**.



# A Formula for $e^x$

It turns out that

$$e^x = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{6} + \frac{x^4}{24} + \frac{x^5}{120} + \cdots + \frac{x^n}{n!} + \cdots$$

How does it manage to equal it's own derivative?

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx}(e^x) &= \frac{d}{dx} \left( 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} + \cdots \right) \\ &= 0 + 1 + \frac{2x}{2 \times 1} + \frac{3x^2}{3 \times 2 \times 1} + \frac{4x^3}{4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1} + \frac{5x^4}{5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1} + \cdots \\ &= 0 + 1 + \frac{\cancel{2}x}{\cancel{2} \times 1} + \frac{\cancel{3}x^2}{\cancel{3} \times 2 \times 1} + \frac{\cancel{4}x^3}{\cancel{4} \times 3 \times 2 \times 1} + \frac{\cancel{5}x^4}{\cancel{5} \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1} + \cdots \\ &= 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \cdots \\ &= e^x \end{aligned}$$

A simple **trick**: • The derivative of each term is the preceding one.

• The derivative of the first term is zero.

# The Number $e$

The number  $e = 2.718281828 \dots$  is a very important in math. It can be calculated to as much accuracy as needed by using more and more terms in this formula for  $e^x$  with  $x = 1$  plugged in:

$n$	$1 + 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \dots + \frac{1}{n!}$
1	2
2	2.5
3	2.6666...
4	2.708333...
5	2.716666...
6	2.718055...
7	2.718253968...
8	2.718278770...
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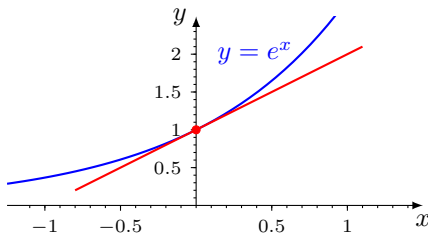
# Key Facts about $e$ and $e^x$

What you need to remember:

- $e^0 = 1$
- $\frac{d}{dx}(e^x) = e^x$

**Question:** What is the equation of the tangent line to  $y = e^x$  at  $x = 0$ ?

A  $y = 1$     B  $y = x$     C  $y = x + 1$     D  $y = ex + 1$     C



# Differentiating $f(x) = e^{kx}$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (e^{kx}) = ke^{kx}$$

versus

$$\frac{d}{dx} (x^n) = nx^{n-1}$$



Do not get confused and write  $\frac{d}{dx} (e^{kx}) = ke^{(k-1)x}$ .



**Question:** Find  $\frac{d}{dx} (4e^{3x} + 5x^3)$

$$A = 12e^{2x} + 15x^2$$

$$B = 12e^{3x} + 15x^3$$

$$C = 4e^{3x} + 15x^2$$

$$D = 12e^{3x} + 15x^2$$

$$E = \text{Other}$$

$$\boxed{D}$$

# Example

$$\frac{d}{dx} (e^{kx}) = ke^{kx}$$

The temperature (in  $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) of a cup of coffee  $t$  hours after it is made is  $f(t) = 50 + 40e^{-2t}$ .

(a) What is the **initial** temperature when the coffee is made?

A = 40    B = 50    C = 90    D = 100    C

(b) How quickly is the coffee **cooling down** initially? This means how many degrees per hour is the temperature **going down** instantaneously at  $t = 0$ ?

A = 20    B = 40    C = 60    D = 80    E = 100    D

# More Examples

$$\frac{d}{dx} (e^{kx}) = ke^{kx}$$

(1)  $\frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{3}{e^{2x}} \right) = ?$

A =  $\frac{3}{2e^{2x}}$     B =  $\frac{3}{2e^x}$     C =  $\frac{6}{e^{2x}}$     D =  $\frac{-6}{e^{2x}}$     D

(2) The number of grams of [Einsteinium-253](#) after  $t$  days is  $m(t) = 10e^{-t/30}$ . How quickly is the mass changing (in grams per day) when  $t = 0$ ?

A =  $-1/30$     B =  $-1/3$     C =  $-10e^{-t/30}$     D =  $-\frac{1}{3}e^{t/30}$     B

# Review Problems

(1) An oil slick in the shape of a rectangle is expanding. After  $t$  hours the length is  $30t$  meters and the width is  $50t$  meters. How quickly is the area increasing in  $\text{m}^2/\text{hour}$  after 2 hours?

A = 800    B = 1500    C = 3200    D = 6000    E = Other    D

(2) Suppose  $f'(1) = 4$  and  $g'(1) = 3$ . What is the rate of change of  $f(x) + 2g(x)$  when  $x = 1$ ?

A = 3    B = 4    C = 7    D = 10    E = 14    D

# More Review Problems

(a) What is the  $x$ -coordinate of the point on the graph  $y = 2x^2 + 5x - 7$  where the slope is 11?

$$A = 1 \quad B = 3/2 \quad C = 2 \quad D = 5/3 \quad E = 0 \quad \boxed{B}$$

(b) What is the value of  $x$  at the point on the graph  $y = 4x^2 + 16x$  where the tangent line is horizontal?

$$A = 2 \quad B = 0 \quad C = -2 \quad D = -4 \quad \boxed{C}$$

(c)  $\frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{3}{x^4} \right) = ?$

$$A = \frac{3}{4x^3} \quad B = \frac{12}{x^5} \quad C = -\frac{3}{4x^3} \quad D = -\frac{12}{x^5} \quad \boxed{D}$$