

MAT137 Lecture 14

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Agenda

Exponentials and logarithms.

Definition of e

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We define e to be the number such that

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^h - 1}{h} = 1.$$

Exponential Functions

Differentiate the function

$$f(x) = e^{\tan(x^2-1)}.$$

Evaluate the limit

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{e^{\tan(x^2-1)} - 1}{x - 1}.$$

Exponential Function

Without using the power rule, prove that

$$\frac{d}{dx}(x^\pi) = \pi x^{\pi-1}, \quad x > 0.$$

Derivative of Exponential Function

Find y' if $e^{x/y} = x - y$.

Properties of logarithmic functions

Let $a > 0$ and $a \neq 1$, $x > 0$, $y > 0$ and r is any real number, show that

(a) $\log_a \left(\frac{x}{y} \right) = \log_a(x) - \log_a(y)$

(b) $\log_a(x^r) = r \log_a x$

(c) $\log_a x = \frac{\ln x}{\ln a}$

Logarithmic Functions

Evaluate the limit

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} [\ln(2 + x^{2017}) - \ln(\sin(x^{2016}) + 3x^{2017})].$$

- (a) 0
- (b) D.N.E.
- (c) ∞
- (d) $-\ln 3$
- (e) $\ln 2$

Logarithmic Functions

Evaluate the limit

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\ln(\ln e^{e^{2017}}) - 1}{x - 1}.$$

Derivative of Logarithmic Functions

Find $f'(x)$ if $f(x) = \ln|x|$. Sketch the graphs of f and f' .

Derivative of Logarithmic Functions

Find $f'(x)$ if

$$f(x) = \log_{x^2+2} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt[2017]{x^{2016} + 1}} \right).$$

Logarithmic Differentiation

Let $f(x) = x^{\sqrt{x}} + x^x$. Find $f'(x)$.

Logarithmic Differentiation

Find y' if $x^y = y^x$.

Next Class: Monday Oct 30

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