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Show that the derivative of x^n for a positive whole number n is equal to nx^{n-1} .

In theory, we could now go on and find derivatives of "all" algebraic functions by definition.
But that's too time consuming and impractical...

rules of differentiation

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graph TD; A[rules of differentiation] --- B(sum rule); A --- C(product rule); A --- D(chain rule)
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sum rule

product rule

chain rule