

Differentiation Formula with Function $f(x)$

Given $y = f(x)$ and $\frac{dy}{dx} = f'(x)$

a) $\frac{d}{dx}(f(x))^n = n(f(x))^{n-1} \cdot f'(x)$

b) $\frac{d}{dx}(\sin f(x)) = \cos f(x) \cdot f'(x)$

c) $\frac{d}{dx}(\cos f(x)) = -\sin f(x) \cdot f'(x)$

d) $\frac{d}{dx}(\tan f(x)) = \sec^2 f(x) \cdot f'(x)$

e) $\frac{d}{dx}(\ln f(x)) = \frac{f'(x)}{f(x)}$

f) $\frac{d}{dx}(e^{f(x)}) = e^{f(x)} \cdot f'(x)$

Product Rule

Given that $y = uv$, then $\frac{dy}{dx} = v \frac{du}{dx} + u \frac{dv}{dx}$

Quotient Rule

Given that $y = \frac{u}{v}$, then $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{v \frac{du}{dx} - u \frac{dv}{dx}}{v^2}$

Tangents and Normals of a Curve

- $\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{x=a} = \text{Gradient of tangent at } x = a \text{ on the curve}$
- $\left. -\frac{1}{\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)} \right|_{x=a} = \text{Gradient of normal at } x = a \text{ on the curve}$

Increasing and Decreasing Function

- If y **increases** as x increases, then $y = f(x)$ is an **increasing** function
Increasing function $\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} > 0$
- If y **decreases** as x increases, then $y = f(x)$ is a **decreasing** function
Decreasing function $\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} < 0$

Nature of Stationary Points

If a point (x_0, y_0) is a stationary point of a curve $y = f(x)$, then $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$ when $x = x_0$.
(i.e. the gradient to a stationary point is zero.)

Checking the Nature of Stationary Point - First Derivative Test

Given that $x = x_1$ is a stationary point.

x	$x = x_1^-$	$x = x_1$	$x = x_1^+$	Conclusion
Sign of $\frac{dy}{dx}$	+	0	-	Maximum
Sign of $\frac{dy}{dx}$	-	0	+	Minimum
Sign of $\frac{dy}{dx}$	-	0	-	Point of Inflexion
Sign of $\frac{dy}{dx}$	+	0	+	Point of Inflexion

Checking the Nature of Stationary Point - Second Derivative Test

Given that $x = x_1$ is a stationary point.

Step 1: Evaluate $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ when $x = x_1$

$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ when $x = x_1$	> 0	Minimum
$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ when $x = x_1$	< 0	Maximum
$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ when $x = x_1$	$= 0$	Inconclusive

Note: If Second Derivative Test is Inconclusive, then the First Derivative Test must be used to conclude the nature of the stationary point.

Application - Increasing and Decreasing Function

- If y **increases** as x increases, then $y = f(x)$ is an **increasing** function
Increasing function $\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} > 0$
- If y **decreases** as x increases, then $y = f(x)$ is a **decreasing** function
Decreasing function $\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} < 0$

Integration Formula

- If $n \neq -1$, $\int x^n dx = \frac{1}{n+1} x^{n+1} + c$, where c is a constant.
- If $n = -1$, $\int \frac{1}{x} dx = \ln x + c$, where c is a constant.
- $\int \sin x dx = -\cos x + c$, where c is a constant.
- $\int \cos x dx = \sin x + c$, where c is a constant.
- $\int \sec^2 x dx = \tan x + c$, where c is a constant.
- $\int e^x dx = e^x + c$, where c is a constant.
- $\int \cos(ax + b) dx = \frac{1}{a} \sin(ax + b) + c$, where c is a constant.
- $\int \sin(ax + b) dx = -\frac{1}{a} \cos(ax + b) + c$, where c is a constant.
- $\int \sec^2(ax + b) dx = \frac{1}{a} \tan(ax + b) + c$, where c is a constant.
- $\int e^{ax+b} dx = \frac{1}{a} e^{ax+b} + c$, where c is a constant.
- $\int (ax + b)^n dx = \frac{(ax+b)^{n+1}}{a(n+1)} + c$, where c is a constant.
- $\int (ax + b)^{-1} dx = \frac{\ln(ax+b)}{a} + c$, where c is a constant.