

## Section 3.6 – Derivatives of Logarithmic Functions

- Rules

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\log_b x) = \frac{1}{x \ln b}, \quad b \neq 1$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[\ln x] = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\log_b u(x)) = \frac{u'(x)}{u(x) \ln b}, \quad b \neq 1$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[\ln u(x)] = \frac{u'(x)}{u(x)}$$

### Example 1

Show that  $\frac{d}{dx}(\log_b x) = \frac{1}{x \ln b}$  for  $b \neq 1$ .

**Solution**

$$y = \log_b x \Rightarrow b^y = x$$

by differentiation

$$b^y \cdot \ln b \cdot y' = 1$$

$$y' = \frac{1}{b^y \ln b}$$

$$= \frac{1}{x \ln b}$$

تذكر

$$\log_b x = y \longleftrightarrow b^y = x$$

## Example 2

Find  $\frac{d}{dx} \ln(x^3 + 1)$ 

## Solution

$$\frac{d}{dx} \ln(x^3 + 1) = \frac{3x^2}{x^3 + 1}$$

## Example 3

Differentiate

(a)  $f(x) = \sqrt{\ln x}$

(b)  $f(x) = \log(2 + \sin x)$

(c)  $g(x) = \ln|x|$

## Solution

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a)} \quad f'(x) &= \frac{1}{2} (\ln x)^{-1/2} \cdot \frac{1}{x} \\ &= \frac{1}{2x\sqrt{\ln x}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(b)} \quad f'(x) = \frac{\cos x}{(2 + \sin x) \ln 10}$$

$$\text{(c)} \quad \ln|x| = \begin{cases} \ln x & x > 0 \\ \ln(-x) & x < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \ln x = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \ln(-x) = \frac{-1}{-x} = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$g'(x) = \frac{1}{x} \quad \forall x \neq 0$$



- مشتقة دالة أس دالة Logarithmic Differentiation

$$[f(x)]^{g(x)}$$

$$y = [f(x)]^{g(x)} \quad \textcircled{1} \text{ سبب وبعبار } y$$

$$\ln y = \ln [f(x)]^{g(x)} \quad \textcircled{2} \text{ نأخذ } \ln \text{ للطرفين}$$

$$\ln y = g(x) \ln[f(x)] \quad \textcircled{3} \text{ نطبق قاعدة الأس}$$

④ نشتق implicitly

$$\frac{y'}{y} = g(x) \cdot \frac{f'(x)}{f(x)} + g'(x) \ln[f(x)]$$

⑤ نضرب المعادلة في y

$$y' = y \left( g(x) \cdot \frac{f'(x)}{f(x)} + g'(x) \ln[f(x)] \right)$$

#### Example 4

Differentiate  $y = x^{\sqrt{x}}$

#### Solution

$$\ln y = \sqrt{x} \ln x$$

$$\frac{y'}{y} = \sqrt{x} \cdot \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{2} x^{-1/2} \cdot \ln x$$

$$y' = \frac{y \sqrt{x}}{x} + \frac{y \ln x}{2 \sqrt{x}}$$

## لاحظ

يوجد 4 حالات لاشتقاق الأسس

1. الأساس والأس ثوابت constants

$$\frac{d}{dx}(e^3) = 0$$

2. الأساس متغير (معادلة) والأس ثابت

$$\frac{d}{dx}(x^2 + 1)^3 = 3(x^2 + 1)^2 \cdot 2x$$

3. الأساس ثابت والأس متغير

$$\frac{d}{dx}(5^{x^2+2x}) = 5^{x^2+2x}(\ln 5) \cdot (2x + 2)$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(e^{x^2+2x}) = e^{x^2+2x}(2x + 2)$$

4. الأساس متغير والأس متغير (المثال السابق)

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

Logarithmic differentiation

## Example 4

Differentiate  $y = \frac{x^{3/4}\sqrt{x^2+1}}{(3x+2)^5}$

## Solution

$$y = \frac{x^{3/4} (x^2+1)^{1/2}}{(3x+2)^5}$$

کلہ دو ال و اسیس  
حلہ با quotient  
rule

نستخیم logarithmic differentiation

$$\ln y = \ln x^{3/4} + \ln (x^2+1)^{1/2} - \ln (3x+2)^5$$

$$\ln y = \frac{3}{4} \ln x + \frac{1}{2} \ln (x^2+1) - 5 \ln (3x+2)$$

$$\frac{y'}{y} = \frac{3}{4} \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{2x}{x+1} - 5 \frac{3}{3x+2}$$

$$y' = \frac{3y}{4x} + \frac{xy}{x^2+1} - \frac{15y}{3x+2}$$

## تذکر

$$\ln(xy) = \ln x + \ln y$$

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

$$\ln(x^r) = r \ln x$$

- Special limits (The number  $e$  as a limit)

$$\text{For } f(x) = \ln x \Rightarrow f(1) = \ln 1 = 0$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{x} \Rightarrow f'(1) = 1$$

Using definition of differentiation

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

$$1 = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\ln(1+h)}{h}$$

$$1 = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \cdot \ln(1+h)$$

$$1 = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \ln(1+h)^{1/h}$$

$$e^1 = e^{\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \ln(1+h)^{1/h}}$$

$$e = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} e^{\ln(1+h)^{1/h}}$$

لأن  $e$  ثابت

$$\infty \quad e = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} (1+h)^{1/h}$$

قاعدة  $\ln[f(x)] = f(x)$

$$\text{or } e = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^x$$

**Problems**

- Differentiate the function.

(a)  $f(x) = \log(1 + \cos x)$

$$\log x = \log_{10} x$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{-\sin x}{(1 + \cos x) \ln 10}$$

(b)  $g(x) = \ln(xe^{-2x})$

$$\begin{aligned} g'(x) &= \frac{x \cdot e^{-2x} \cdot (-2) + e^{-2x}}{x e^{-2x}} \\ &= \frac{-2x + 1}{x} \end{aligned}$$

(c)  $F(t) = (\ln t)^2 \sin t$

$$\begin{aligned} F'(t) &= (\ln t)^2 \cdot \cos t + 2(\ln t) \cdot \frac{1}{t} \cdot \sin t \\ &= (\ln t)^2 \cos t + \frac{2 \ln t}{t} \cdot \sin t \end{aligned}$$

(d)  $h(x) = \ln(x + \sqrt{x^2 - 1})$

$$\begin{aligned} h'(x) &= \frac{1 + \frac{1}{2}(x^2 - 1)^{-1/2} \cdot 2x}{x + \sqrt{x^2 - 1}} \\ &= \frac{1 + \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 - 1}}}{x + \sqrt{x^2 - 1}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x^2 - 1}}{\sqrt{x^2 - 1}} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{x^2 - 1} + x}{(x + \sqrt{x^2 - 1})\sqrt{x^2 - 1}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 - 1}} \end{aligned}$$

(e)  $P(v) = \frac{\ln v}{1-v}$

$$\begin{aligned} P'(v) &= \frac{(1-v) \frac{1}{v} - \ln v \cdot -1}{(1-v)^2} \\ &= \frac{\frac{1-v}{v} + \ln v}{(1-v)^2} \cdot \frac{v}{v} \\ &= \frac{1-v + v \ln v}{v(1-v)^2} \end{aligned}$$

(f)  $y = \ln|1 + t - t^3|$

$$y' = \frac{1 - 3t^2}{1 + t - t^3}$$

$$(g) y = \ln(e^{-x} + xe^{-x})$$

$$\begin{aligned} y' &= \frac{-e^{-x} + x \cdot -e^{-x} + e^{-x}}{e^{-x} + xe^{-x}} \\ &= \frac{-xe^{-x}}{e^{-x} + xe^{-x}} \\ &= \frac{-xe^{-x}}{e^{-x}(1+x)} = \frac{-x}{1+x} \end{aligned}$$

$$(h) g(x) = \ln \frac{x+1}{\sqrt{x-2}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} g'(x) &= \frac{[\sqrt{x-2} \cdot 1 - (x+1) \cdot \frac{1}{2}(x-2)^{-1/2} \cdot 1]}{(x+1)/\sqrt{x-2}} \\ &= \frac{(\sqrt{x-2} - \frac{x+1}{2\sqrt{x-2}}) \sqrt{x-2}}{(x+1)(x-2)} \\ &= \frac{x-2 - \frac{x+1}{2}}{(x+1)(x-2)} \cdot \frac{2}{2} \\ &= \frac{2x-4-x-1}{2(x+1)(x-2)} \\ &= \frac{x-5}{2(x+1)(x-2)} \end{aligned}$$

$$(i) H(z) = \ln \sqrt{\frac{a^2 - z^2}{a^2 + z^2}}$$

$$H(z) = \ln \frac{(a^2 - z^2)^{1/2}}{(a^2 + z^2)^{1/2}}$$

$$= \ln (a^2 - z^2)^{1/2} - \ln (a^2 + z^2)^{1/2}$$

$$H'(z) = \frac{\frac{1}{2}(a^2 - z^2)^{-1/2} \cdot (-2z)}{(a^2 - z^2)^{1/2}} - \frac{\frac{1}{2}(a^2 + z^2)^{-1/2} \cdot (2z)}{(a^2 + z^2)^{1/2}}$$

$$= \frac{-z}{(a^2 - z^2)^{1/2} (a^2 - z^2)^{1/2}} - \frac{z}{(a^2 + z^2)^{1/2} (a^2 + z^2)^{1/2}}$$

$$= \frac{-z}{a^2 - z^2} - \frac{z}{a^2 + z^2}$$

$$(j) y = \tan[\ln(ax + b)]$$

$$y' = \frac{a}{ax + b} \cdot \sec^2[\ln(ax + b)]$$

- Find  $y'$  and  $y''$ .

$$y = \frac{\ln x}{1 + \ln x}$$

$$y' = \frac{(1 + \ln x) \cdot \frac{1}{x} - \ln x \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)}{(1 + \ln x)^2} \quad \cdot \quad \frac{x}{x}$$

$$= \frac{1 + \cancel{\ln x} - \cancel{\ln x}}{x (1 + \ln x)^2} = \frac{1}{x (1 + \ln x)^2}$$

- Differentiate  $f$  and find the domain of  $f$ .

$$f(x) = \frac{x}{1 - \ln(x-1)}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{[1 - \ln(x-1)] \cdot 1 - x \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{x-1}\right)}{[1 - \ln(x-1)]^2} \quad \cdot \quad \frac{x-1}{x-1}$$

$$= \frac{(x-1)[1 - \ln(x-1)] + x}{(x-1)[1 - \ln(x-1)]^2}$$

$$1 - \ln(x-1) = 0$$

$$\text{and } x-1 > 0$$

$$\ln(x-1) = 1$$

$$\ln \equiv \log_e$$

$$x > 1$$

$$x-1 = e$$

$$x = e+1$$

$$D = (1, 1+e) \cup (1+e, \infty)$$

- Use logarithmic differentiation to find the derivative of the function.

(a)  $y = \sqrt{x}e^{x^2}(x^2 + 1)^{10}$

$$\ln y = \ln \sqrt{x} + \ln e^{x^2} + \ln (x^2 + 1)^{10}$$

$$\ln y = \frac{1}{2} \ln x + x^2 \cancel{\ln e} + 10 \ln (x^2 + 1)$$

$$\frac{y'}{y} = \frac{1}{2x} + 2x + 10 \cdot \frac{2x}{x^2 + 1}$$

$$y' = \frac{y}{2x} + 2xy + \frac{20xy}{x^2 + 1}$$

(b)  $y = x^x$

$$\ln y = \ln x^x$$

$$\ln y = x \ln x$$

$$\frac{y'}{y} = \cancel{x} \cdot \frac{1}{\cancel{x}} + \ln x$$

$$y' = y + y \ln x$$

$$(c) y = x^{\sin x}$$

$$\ln y = \sin x \ln x$$

$$\frac{y'}{y} = \sin x \cdot \frac{1}{x} + \cos x \cdot \ln x$$

$$y' = \frac{y \sin x}{x} + y \cos x \cdot \ln x$$

$$(d) y = (\sqrt{x})^x$$

$$y = x^{\frac{1}{2}x}$$

$$\ln y = \frac{1}{2}x \ln x$$

$$\frac{y'}{y} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{2} \ln x$$

$$y' = \frac{1}{2}y + \frac{1}{2}y \ln x$$