

## Warm Up

Differentiate the following:

$$f(x) = \frac{-2x \tan^{-1} \sqrt{x}}{\cos^{-1}(\sec x^3)}$$

$$d \tan^{-1} u = \frac{1}{1+u^2} \cdot du = \frac{du}{1+u^2}$$

$$d \cos^{-1} u = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{1-u^2}} \cdot du = \frac{-du}{\sqrt{1-u^2}}$$

$$d \sec u = \sec u \tan u \cdot du$$

$$f'(x) = \cos^{-1}(\sec x^3) \left[ -2x \left( \frac{1}{1+x} \cdot \frac{1}{2} x^{-1/2} \right) + \tan^{-1} \sqrt{x} (-2) \right] -$$
$$(-2x \tan^{-1} \sqrt{x}) \left[ \frac{-1}{\sqrt{1-\sec^2 x^3}} \cdot \sec x^3 \tan x^3 \cdot 3x^2 \right]$$

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$$\left[ \cos^{-1}(\sec x^3) \right]^2$$

Questions from Homework

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

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

$$f'(x) = \frac{x}{1+x^2} + \tan^{-1} x$$

$$f'(1) = \frac{1}{1+(1)^2} + \tan^{-1}(1)$$

← what angle has a tangent value equal to 1

$$= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$= \frac{2 + \pi}{4}$$

$$\textcircled{4} f(x) = (3 \tan^{-1} x)^4$$

$$f'(x) = 4(3 \tan^{-1} x)^3 \left[ 3 \left( \frac{1}{1+x^2} \cdot 1 \right) + \cancel{(2) \tan^{-1} x} \right]$$

$$f'(x) = 4(3 \tan^{-1} x)^3 \left[ \frac{3}{1+x^2} \right]$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{12(3 \tan^{-1} x)^3}{1+x^2}$$

$$f'(\sqrt{3}) = \frac{12(3 \tan^{-1} \sqrt{3})^3}{1+(\sqrt{3})^2}$$

← what angle has a tangent value equal to  $\sqrt{3}$

$$= \frac{12(3(\frac{\pi}{3}))^3}{1+3}$$

$$= \frac{12\pi^3}{4}$$

$$= 3\pi^3$$

$$\textcircled{6} f(x) = (x-3)(6x-x^2)^{1/2} + 9 \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{x-3}{3} \right)$$

$$f'(x) = (x-3) \frac{1}{2} (6x-x^2)^{-1/2} (6-2x) + (6x-x^2)^{1/2} + 9 \left[ \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\left(\frac{x-3}{3}\right)^2}} \cdot \frac{1}{3} \right]$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{(x-3)(6-2x)}{2\sqrt{6x-x^2}} + \sqrt{6x-x^2} + \frac{3}{\sqrt{1-\left(\frac{x-3}{3}\right)^2}}$$

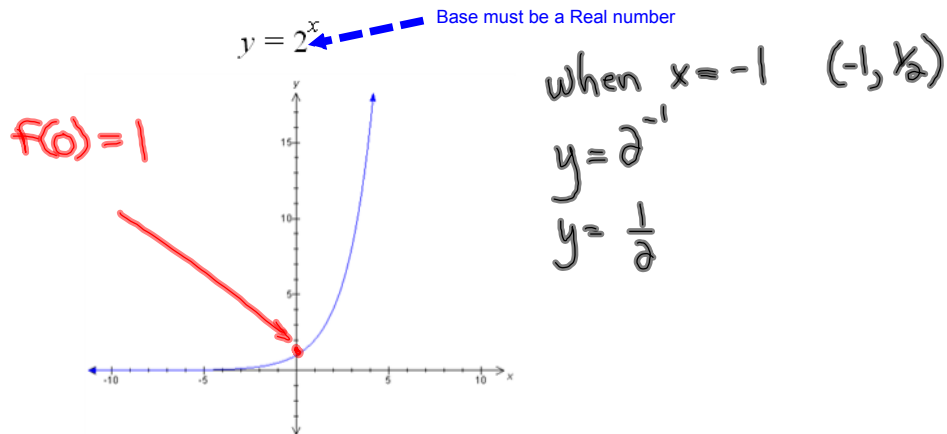
$$f'(3) = \frac{(0)(0)}{6} + 3 + 3$$

$$= 0 + 3 + 3$$

$$= 6$$

## Differentiating Exponential Functions

What is an exponential function?  $y = a^x$



**When you do not have a rule to differentiate resort to the definition...**

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

Let's try and differentiate  $y = a^x$   $f(x) = a^x$   $f(x+h) = a^{x+h}$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{a^{x+h} - a^x}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{a^x a^h - a^x}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{a^x (a^h - 1)}{h} \end{aligned}$$

This factor does not depend on  $h$ , therefore we can move to the front of the limit

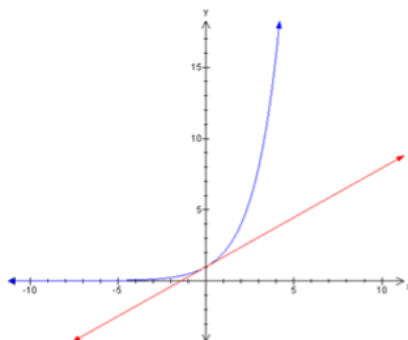
Thus we now have...

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

What would be the value of  $f'(0)$ ?

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

What would this represent in terms of slope??



We have determined that

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

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

Same thing!

Therefore given  $f(x) = a^x$ , then  $f'(x) = a^x f'(0)$

Here are a couple of numerical examples...

- $a=2$ ; here apparently  $f'(0) \approx 0.69$
- $a=3$ ; here apparently  $f'(0) \approx 1.10$

$h$	$\frac{2^h - 1}{h}$	$\frac{3^h - 1}{h}$
0.1	0.7177	1.1612
0.01	0.6956	1.1047
0.001	0.6934	1.0992
0.0001	0.6932	1.0987

There must then be some number between 2 and 3 such that

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

This number turns out to be "e"...Euler's Number

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e^(1)
2.718281828
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$y = 2^x$   
 $y' = 2^x (0.6932)$

$y = e^x$   
 $y' = e^x(1)$   
 $y' = e^x$

This leads to the following definition...

**Definition of the Number  $e$**

$$e \text{ is the number such that } \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^h - 1}{h} = 1$$

What does this mean geometrically?

- Geometrically, this means that
  - of all the exponential functions  $y = a^x$ ,
  - the function  $f(x) = e^x$  is the one whose tangent at  $(0, 1)$  has a slope  $f'(0)$  that is exactly 1.

$$f(0) = 1$$
$$f'(0) = 1$$

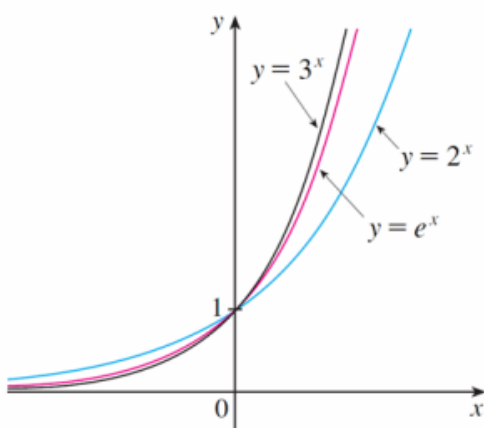


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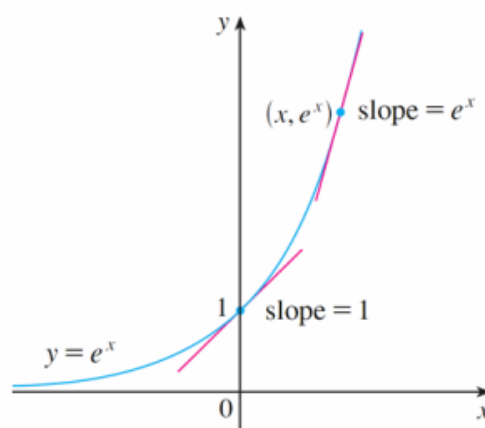


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**This leads to the following differentiation formula...**

Derivative of the Natural Exponential Function

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

**This is the ONLY function  
that is its own derivative**

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$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= e^x \\ f'(x) &= e^x \end{aligned}$$

In General...

$$\frac{d(e^u)}{dx} = e^u \bullet du$$

## Differentiating Exponential Functions

$$u = 3x^7 \quad du = 21x^6$$

$$y = e^{3x^7}$$

$$y' = e^{3x^7} \cdot 21x^6$$

$$y' = 21x^6 e^{3x^7}$$

$$y = e^{\sin x}$$

$$y = x^2 e^x$$

$$y = e^{\cot x^3}$$



# Practice Exercises

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Bonus:

Give that  $y = \cos^{-1}(\cos^{-1} x)$ , prove that

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\sin y \sqrt{1-x^2}}$$