



Activity 5.5 – Derivatives and Antiderivatives of Exponentials and Logarithms

1. (a) $\frac{d}{dx}(\ln(x)) = \frac{1}{x}$; (b) $\frac{d}{dx}(\log_b(x)) = \frac{1}{(\ln b)x}$; (c) $\frac{d}{dx}(\ln(2x-10)) = \frac{2}{2x-10} = \frac{1}{x-5}$
(d) $\frac{d}{dx}(\log_{10}(3x^2 + 9x + 7)) = \frac{6x+9}{(\ln 10)(3x^2 + 9x + 7)}$; (e) $\frac{d}{dt}((\ln(2t+1))^3) = 3(\ln(2t+1))^2 \cdot \frac{2}{2t+1}$
(f) $\frac{d}{du}(4u^2 \ln(u)) = (8u)(\ln(u)) + (4u^2)\left(\frac{1}{u}\right)$
2. (a) $y' = e^x$; (b) $y' = (\ln b) \cdot b^x$; (c) $f'(x) = (\ln 5) \cdot 5^x$
(d) $A'(t) = 1000 \cdot \ln(1.03) \cdot (1.03)^{12t} \cdot 12$; (e) $g'(x) = \frac{(\ln 10) \cdot 10^x (3x-1) - (10^x)(3)}{(3x-1)^2}$
3. (a) $\int (5^x - e^{5x}) dx = \frac{5^x}{\ln 5} - \frac{1}{5} e^{5x} + C$
(b) $\int \frac{1-3x+4x^2}{x^2} dx = \int \left(\frac{1}{x^2} - \frac{3}{x} + 4 \right) dx = -\frac{1}{x} - 3 \ln|x| + 4x + C$
4. (a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\ln(7x-8)}{\ln(4x+2)} \stackrel{LR}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\left(\frac{7}{7x-8}\right)}{\left(\frac{4}{4x+2}\right)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{7}{7x-8} \cdot \frac{4x+2}{4} = \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{28x+14}{28x-32} = \frac{28}{28} = 1$
(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{\ln(x^2-8)}{x-3} \stackrel{LR}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{\left(\frac{2x}{x^2-8}\right)}{1} = 6$
5. (a) $k(x) = 2^2$ is a constant function. Its derivative is $k'(x) = 0$.
(b) $g(x) = x^2$ is a power function. Its derivative is $g'(x) = 2x$.
(c) $h(x) = 2^x$ is an exponential function. Its derivative is $h'(x) = \ln 2 \cdot 2^x$.
6. (a) If $y = x^x$, then $\ln y = \ln x^x = x \ln x$, and $\frac{d}{dx}(\ln y) = \frac{d}{dx}(x \ln x)$. Therefore, $\frac{y'}{y} = \ln x + 1$,
and $y' = y(\ln x + 1) = x^x(\ln x + 1)$.
(b) If $y = x^n$, then $\ln y = \ln x^n = n \ln x$, and $\frac{d}{dx}(\ln y) = \frac{d}{dx}(n \ln x)$. Therefore, $\frac{y'}{y} = \frac{n}{x}$,
and $y' = y\left(\frac{n}{x}\right) = x^n\left(\frac{n}{x}\right) = nx^{n-1}$.
(c) $\frac{d}{dx}(\ln y) = \frac{d}{dx}\left(3 \ln x + \frac{1}{2} \ln(4x-11) - 5 \ln(1+x^2)\right)$ yields $y' = \frac{x^3 \sqrt{4x-11}}{(1+x^2)^5} \left(\frac{3}{x} + \frac{2}{4x-11} - \frac{10x}{1+x^2} \right)$.
7. $\Delta H = \int_{T_1}^{T_2} C_P(T) dT = \int_{290}^{1000} \left(a + bT + \frac{c}{T^2} \right) dT$
 $= \left(46.90T + \frac{31.51 \times 10^{-3}}{2} T^2 - \frac{-10.08 \times 10^5}{T} \right) \Big|_{290}^{1000} = 45261.142 \text{ J/mol}$
 $\Delta S = \int_{T_1}^{T_2} \frac{C_P(T)}{T} dT = \int_{290}^{1000} \left(\frac{a}{T} + b + \frac{c}{T^3} \right) dT$
 $= \left(46.90 \ln |T| + 31.51 \times 10^{-3} T - \frac{-10.08 \times 10^5}{2T^2} \right) \Big|_{290}^{1000} = 74.940 \text{ J/mol-K}$