

AP CALCULUS
DERIVATIVES OF LOGARITHMIC FUNCTIONS

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

$$2. \ f'(x) = x^2 \left(\frac{-2x}{1-x^2} \right) + 2x \ln(1-x^2)$$

$$= 2x \ln(1-x^2) - \frac{2x^3}{1-x^2}$$

$$3. \ f'(x) = \frac{2x}{(x^2-4)\ln 3}$$

or

$$f'(x) = \frac{(\log_3 e) 2x}{x^2-4}$$

$$4. \ f'(x) = x \frac{1}{x} + (\ln x)(1)$$

$$= 1 + \ln x$$

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

$$5. \ g'(x) = \frac{\log_{10} e}{x}$$

$$g''(x) = -\frac{\log_{10} e}{x^2}$$

or

$$g'(x) = \frac{1}{x \ln 10}$$

$$g''(x) = -\frac{1}{x^2 \ln 10}$$

$$6. \ f'(x) = \frac{\sqrt{x}}{x} + \frac{\ln x}{2\sqrt{x}}$$

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

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

$$7. \ g(x) = \ln(a-x) - \ln(a+x)$$

$$g'(x) = -\frac{1}{a-x} - \frac{1}{a+x}$$

$$= \frac{1}{x-a} - \frac{1}{x+a}$$

$$= \frac{2a}{x^2-a^2}$$

$$8. \quad g(x) = \frac{1}{2} \ln x$$

$$g'(x) = \frac{1}{2x}$$

$$9. \quad f'(t) = \frac{4t^3 - 2t}{(t^4 - t^2 + 1)\ln 2}$$

or

$$f'(t) = \frac{(4t^3 - 2t)\log_2 e}{t^4 - t^2 + 1}$$

$$10. \quad g'(u) = \frac{(1 + \ln u) \left(-\frac{1}{u}\right) - (1 - \ln u) \left(\frac{1}{u}\right)}{(1 + \ln u)^2}$$

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

$$11. \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = [3 \ln^2(\sin x)] \frac{\cos x}{\sin x}$$

$$= (3 \cot x) \ln^2(\sin x)$$

$$12. \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{(1 + x^2) \left(\frac{1}{x}\right) - 2x \ln x}{(1 + x^2)^2}$$

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

$$13. \quad F'(x) = e^x \left(\frac{1}{x}\right) + (\ln x)(e^x)$$

$$= \frac{e^x}{x} + e^x \ln x$$

$$= e^x \left(\frac{1}{x} + \ln x\right)$$

$$14. \quad f'(t) = (\pi^{-t})(\ln \pi)(-1)$$

Note: f is of the form $a^{f(x)}$

$$15. \quad h'(t) = 3t^2 - 3^t(\ln 3)(1)$$

$$= 3t^2 - 3^t \ln 3$$

$$16. \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-e^{-x} + xe^{-x}(-1) + e^{-x}}{e^{-x} + xe^{-x}}$$

$$= -\frac{x}{1+x}$$

17. $\ln y = \ln x^{\sin x}$

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

$$\frac{1}{y} \frac{dy}{dx} = (\sin x) \left(\frac{1}{x} \right) + (\ln x)(\cos x)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = x^{\sin x} \left[\frac{\sin x}{x} + \ln x \cos x \right]$$

18. $\ln y = \ln x^{e^x}$

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

$$\frac{1}{y} \frac{dy}{dx} = e^x \left(\frac{1}{x} \right) + (\ln x)(e^x)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = x^{e^x} \left(\frac{e^x}{x} + e^x \ln x \right)$$

19. Point

Given as $(e, 0)$.

Slope

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\frac{1}{x}}{\ln x} = \frac{1}{x \ln x} \longrightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} \Big|_{(e,0)} = \frac{1}{e}$$

Equation of tangent

$$y - 0 = \frac{1}{e}(x - e)$$

20. Point

Given as $(1, 10)$.

Slope

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 10^x \ln 10 \longrightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} \Big|_{(1,10)} = 10 \ln 10$$

Equation of tangent

$$y - 10 = 10 \ln 10(x - 1)$$

21. $2c + \ln c = 2 \longrightarrow c = 1 \longrightarrow (1, 2)$ is on f .

Since $(1, 2)$ is on f , $(f^{-1})'(2) = \frac{1}{f'(1)}$

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