

Sec 6.4 (a) Derivatives of logarithmic functions

knowing that $\frac{d}{dx} e^x = e^x$,
use Implicit Differentiation to compute $\frac{d}{dx} \ln x$

$$\text{Let } y = \ln x$$

Apply e^{\square} to both sides:

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

$$e^y \stackrel{*}{=} x \quad (\text{since } e^x \text{ and } \ln x \text{ are inverse functions})$$

Differentiate with respect to x :

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

chain rule ↓

$$e^y \frac{dy}{dx} = 1$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{e^y} \stackrel{\uparrow}{=} \frac{1}{x} \quad \text{by } *$$

Memorize!

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

Textbook
eq. 1

Knowing that $\frac{d}{dx} \ln x = \frac{1}{x}$, compute $\frac{d}{dx} \left[\ln(\text{some function of } x) \right]$

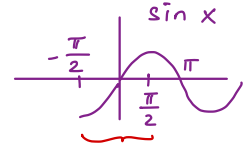
Ex 1 Evaluate $\frac{d}{dx} \ln \sqrt[5]{x}$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} \ln \sqrt[5]{x} &= \frac{d}{dx} \left(\ln \left(x^{\frac{1}{5}} \right) \right) \\ &= \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{1}{5} \ln(x) \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{5} \frac{1}{x} \end{aligned}$$

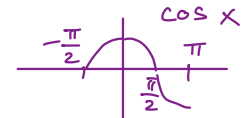
Knowing that $\frac{d}{dx} \ln x = \frac{1}{x}$ (eq 1), compute $\frac{d}{dx} \left[\ln(\text{some function of } x) \right]$

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 \vdots

If you forget where the minus signs should go, sketch the graphs



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positive values

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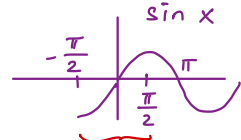
Take a minute to attempt this on your own.

Use eq 1 and chain rule.

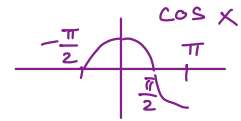
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Answer

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

$$= \frac{1}{\sin x} \cdot \cos x$$

$$= \cot x$$

by eq 1 and Chain Rule

(It's ok to stop here)

Ex 3

Let $f(x) := \ln|x|$ with

domain $(-\infty, 0) \cup (0, \infty)$

(all numbers except 0)

This means

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \ln x & \text{if } x > 0 \\ \ln(-x) & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

So

$$f'(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{x} & \text{if } x > 0 \\ \frac{1}{-x} (-1) = \frac{1}{x} & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

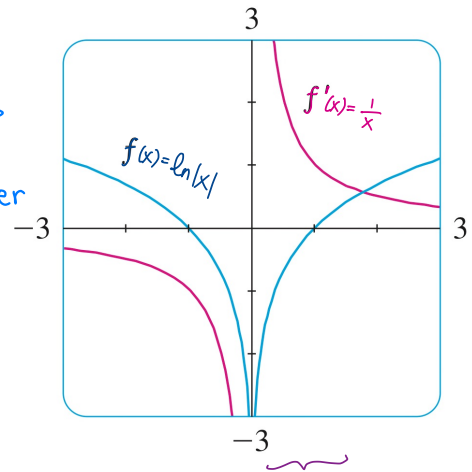
So

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{x} \text{ for all } x \neq 0$$

Textbook
Eq 4

$$\int \frac{1}{x} dx = \ln|x| + C$$

Picture
to help
you
remember



When x is small & pos,
 $y = \ln|x|$ is very steep
with pos slope,
so $f'(x)$ is big and positive

When $|x|$ is small & x is neg,
 $y = \ln|x|$ is very steep
with neg slope,
so $|f'(x)|$ is big &
 $f'(x)$ is neg.

Memorize!

$$\int \frac{1}{x} dx = \ln|x| + C$$

Textbook
Eq 4

Recall:

$$\cot x = \frac{\cos x}{\sin x}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \sin x \\ \cos x \\ -\sin x \\ -\cos x \\ \sin x \\ \vdots \end{array} \begin{array}{l} \left. \begin{array}{l} \sin x \\ \cos x \end{array} \right\} \frac{d}{dx} \sin x = \cos x \\ \left. \begin{array}{l} -\sin x \\ -\cos x \end{array} \right\} \frac{d}{dx} \cos x = -\sin x \end{array}$$

Ex 4

Calculate $\int \cot x dx$

Answer

$$\int \cot x dx = \int \frac{\cos x}{\sin x} dx$$

$$= \int \frac{1}{u} du$$

$$= \ln|u| + C$$

$$= \ln|\sin x| + C$$

Try u-substitution

Try $u = \cos x \quad du = -\sin x dx$
~~X~~

Try $u = \sin x \quad du = \cos x dx$
looks good

* Practice a similar problem: Textbook Example 11, this Sec 6.4

Practice using $\int \frac{1}{x} = \ln|x| + C$

(Webwork
Prob 8) Evaluate $\int \frac{1}{x(\ln x)^2} dx$

Hint: Try u-sub

(works) Try $u = \ln x$ $du = \frac{1}{x} dx$

No Try $u = \frac{1}{x}$ $du = -\frac{1}{x^2} dx$

No Try $u = \left(\frac{1}{\ln x}\right)$ $du = -\frac{1}{(\ln x)^2} \cdot \frac{1}{x} dx$

$$\begin{aligned}\int \frac{1}{u^2} du &= \int u^{-2} du \\ &= \frac{u^{-2+1}}{-1} + C \\ &= -u^{-1} + C\end{aligned}$$

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

6.4(b) Logarithmic Differentiation (new technique)

(Webwork Prob 6) Q: $f(x) = (\sin(x))^x$. Find $f'(1)$.

Apply Logarithmic differentiation

1.) $y = (\sin(x))^x$

Take natural logarithms of both sides:

$$\ln(y) = \ln[(\sin x)^x]$$

Simplify right hand side using properties of \ln :

$$\ln(y) = x \ln(\sin(x)), \text{ since } \ln(\square^r) = r \ln(\square)$$

2) Differentiate implicitly with respect to x :

$$\frac{d}{dy}(\ln[y]) \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx}[x \ln(\sin x)]$$

$$\frac{1}{y} \frac{dy}{dx} = x \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(\ln(\sin x)) + \frac{d}{dx}(x) \cdot \ln(\sin x)$$

$$= x \cdot \frac{1}{\sin x} \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(\sin x) + 1 \cdot \ln(\sin x)$$

$$= x \cdot \frac{1}{\sin x} \cos x + \ln(\sin x)$$

3) Solve for $\frac{dy}{dx}$:

$$\text{Multiply by } y: \frac{dy}{dx} = y \left(x \cdot \frac{1}{\sin x} \cos x + \ln(\sin x) \right)$$

$$= (\sin x)^x \left(x \cdot \frac{1}{\sin x} \cos x + \ln(\sin x) \right)$$

$$\text{So } f'(1) = (\sin 1) \left(\frac{\cos 1}{\sin 1} + \ln(\sin 1) \right)$$

Recall Sec 6.2: If $g(x) = b^x$ then $g'(x) = g'(0) \cdot b^x$

If $b = e$ then $g'(0) = 1$ so $\frac{d}{dx}(e^x) = e^x$

Q: If $b \neq e$, what is $\frac{d}{dx}(b^x)$? Note $\frac{d}{dx}(b^x)$ is not b^x if $b \neq e$.

Ex what is $\frac{d}{dx}(5^x)$ or $\frac{d}{dx}(\frac{6}{7})^x$? $\frac{d}{dx}(5^x)$ is not 5^x since $5 \neq e$

Answer Let $y = b^x$ where $b \neq 1$.

$y = e^{[\ln(b)]x}$ by Fact ⑥ in previous page

Note: $\ln(b)$ is a constant, so we can treat it like any number

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \ln(b) \cdot e^{[\ln(b)]x} \quad (\text{chain rule: } \frac{d}{dx}(e^{cx}) = ce^{cx})$$

Fact ⑥ says $b^x = e^{[\ln(b)]x}$

$$\text{so } \frac{dy}{dx} = \ln(b) \cdot b^x,$$

$$\text{so } \boxed{\frac{d}{dx}(b^x) = \ln(b) \cdot b^x}$$

(Textbook reference: eq 7)

Ex a. $\frac{d}{dx} 5^x = \ln 5 \cdot 5^x$

b. $\frac{d}{dx} ((e^2)^x) = \ln(e^2) \cdot (e^2)^x = 2 \underbrace{\ln(e)}_1 \cdot e^{2x} = 2e^{2x}.$

From $\frac{d}{dx}(b^x) = \ln(b) \cdot b^x$, previous page

we get ... $b^x + C = \int \ln(b) b^x dx$

$$\frac{1}{\ln(b)} (b^x + C) = \int b^x dx$$

$$\frac{b^x}{\ln b} + D = \int b^x dx$$

Ex $\int_0^5 2^x dx = \left. \frac{2^x}{\ln 2} \right]_{x=0}^{x=5}$

$$= \frac{2^5}{\ln 2} - \frac{2^0}{\ln 2}$$

$$= \frac{2^5 - 1}{\ln 2}$$

use Implicit Differentiation to compute $\frac{d}{dx}(\log_b x)$

Let $y = \log_b x$, then apply b^{\square} to both sides:

$$b^y = b^{(\log_b x)}$$

$$b^y = x \quad (\text{because } b^x \text{ and } \log_b x \text{ are inverse functions})$$

Differentiate with respect to x :

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

$$\underbrace{b^y (\ln b)}_{b^y (*)} \cdot \underbrace{\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)}_{\text{because of chain rule}} = \boxed{1}$$

$$\underbrace{(x (\ln b))}_{\text{since } b^y = x} \cdot \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right) = \boxed{1}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{x (\ln b)}$$

so

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

More practice,
similar to Webwork

Differentiate $y = (4 + 2x^2)^{\ln(x)}$

Answer $\ln y = \ln((4 + 2x^2)^{\ln(x)})$

$$\ln y = \ln(x) \ln(4 + 2x^2) \quad (\text{because } \ln(\square^r) = r \ln(\square))$$

Apply Implicit Differentiation

by eq 1 $\frac{d}{dy} \ln y = \frac{1}{y}$

$$\frac{1}{y} \frac{dy}{dx} = \left(\frac{d}{dx} \ln(x) \right) \ln(4 + 2x^2) + \ln(x) \cdot \frac{d}{dx} (\ln(4 + 2x^2))$$
$$\frac{1}{y} \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{x} \ln(4 + 2x^2) + \ln(x) \cdot \frac{1}{4 + 2x^2} \cdot 4x$$

Multiply by y : $\frac{dy}{dx} = y \cdot \left(\frac{\ln(4 + 2x^2)}{x} + \frac{4x \ln(x)}{4 + 2x^2} \right)$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = (4 + 2x^2)^{\ln(x)} \left(\frac{\ln(4 + 2x^2)}{x} + \frac{4x \ln(x)}{4 + 2x^2} \right)$$

Practice applying Logarithmic Differentiation (new technique)

Differentiate $y = x^{\sqrt{x}}$ Hint: start by applying \ln to both sides then apply implicit differentiation)

(Read solution in Textbook Sec 6.4 Example 16)

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