

MCV 4U

PART 1: DERIVATIVES OF TRIGONOMETRIC FUNCTIONS (using First Principles)

① **Derivative of $f(x) = \sin x$** using first principles.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dx} \sin x &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(x+h) - \sin x}{h} \\&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x \cos h + \cos x \sin h - \sin x}{h} \\&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x (\cos h - 1) + \cos x \sin h}{h} \\&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x (\cos h - 1)}{h} + \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos x \sin h}{h} \\&= \sin x \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos h - 1}{h} + \cos x \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin h}{h} \\&= \sin x (0) + \cos x (1)\end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \sin x = \cos x$$

② **Derivative of $f(x) = \cos x$** using first principles.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dx} \cos x &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos(x+h) - \cos x}{h} \\&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos x \cos h - \sin x \sin h - \cos x}{h} \\&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos x (\cos h - 1) - \sin x \sin h}{h} \\&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos x (\cos h - 1)}{h} - \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x \sin h}{h} \\&= \cos x \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos h - 1}{h} - \sin x \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin h}{h} \\&= \cos x (0) - \sin x (1)\end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \cos x = -\sin x$$

PART 2: DERIVATIVES OF EXPONENTIAL FUNCTIONS (using First Principles)

① **Derivative of $f(x) = 4^x$** using first principles.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dx} 4^x &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{4^{x+h} - 4^x}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{4^x(4^h - 1)}{h} \\ &= 4^x \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{4^h - 1}{h}\end{aligned}$$

x	$\frac{4^h - 1}{h}$
0.00001	
-0.00001	
average	
ln 4	

② **Derivative of $f(x) = 10^x$** using first principles.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dx} 10^x &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{10^{x+h} - 10^x}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{10^x(10^h - 1)}{h} \\ &= 10^x \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{10^h - 1}{h}\end{aligned}$$

x	$\frac{10^h - 1}{h}$
0.00001	
-0.00001	
average	
ln 10	

③ **Derivative of $f(x) = e^x$** using first principles.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dx} e^x &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{x+h} - e^x}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x(e^h - 1)}{h} \\ &= e^x \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^h - 1}{h}\end{aligned}$$

x	$\frac{e^h - 1}{h}$
0.00001	
-0.00001	
average	
ln e	

DERIVATIVES OF TRIGONOMETRIC FUNCTIONS:

$$\frac{d}{dx} \sin x = \cos x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \csc x = -\csc x \cdot \cot x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \cos x = -\sin x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \sec x = \sec x \cdot \tan x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \tan x = \sec^2 x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \cot x = -\csc^2 x$$

DERIVATIVES OF EXPONENTIAL FUNCTIONS:

$$\frac{d}{dx} a^x = a^x \ln a$$

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

DERIVATIVES OF LOGARITHMIC FUNCTIONS:

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

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