

* Formula Guide - AP Calc

Differential Calculus

Definition

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

and

if this limit exists

$$f'(c) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c}$$

If f is differentiable at $x = c$, then f is continuous at $x = c$.

Differentiation Rules

General and Logarithmic Differentiation Rules

$$1. \frac{d}{dx}[cu] = cu'$$

product rule

$$3. \frac{d}{dx}[uv] = uv' + vu'$$

$$5. \frac{d}{dx}[c] = 0$$

$$7. \frac{d}{dx}[x] = 1$$

$$9. \frac{d}{dx}[e^u] = e^u u'$$

$$2. \frac{d}{dx}[u \pm v] = u' \pm v'$$

sum rule

$$4. \frac{d}{dx}\left[\frac{u}{v}\right] = \frac{vu' - uv'}{v^2}$$

quotient rule

$$6. \frac{d}{dx}[u^n] = nu^{n-1}u'$$

power rule

$$8. \frac{d}{dx}[\ln u] = \frac{u'}{u}$$

$$10. \frac{d}{dx}[f(g(x))] = f'(g(x))g'(x)$$

chain rule

Derivatives of the Trigonometric Functions

$$1. \frac{d}{dx}[\sin u] = (\cos u)u'$$

$$2. \frac{d}{dx}[\csc u] = -(\csc u \cot u)u'$$

$$3. \frac{d}{dx}[\cos u] = -(\sin u)u'$$

$$4. \frac{d}{dx}[\sec u] = (\sec u \tan u)u'$$

$$5. \frac{d}{dx}[\tan u] = (\sec^2 u)u'$$

$$6. \frac{d}{dx}[\cot u] = -(\csc^2 u)u'$$

Derivatives of the Inverse Trigonometric Functions

$$1. \frac{d}{dx}[\arcsin u] = \frac{u'}{\sqrt{1-u^2}}$$

$$2. \frac{d}{dx}[\operatorname{arccsc} u] = \frac{-u'}{|u|\sqrt{u^2-1}}$$

$$3. \frac{d}{dx}[\arccos u] = \frac{-u'}{\sqrt{1-u^2}}$$

$$4. \frac{d}{dx}[\operatorname{arcsec} u] = \frac{u'}{|u|\sqrt{u^2-1}}$$

$$5. \frac{d}{dx}[\arctan u] = \frac{u'}{1+u^2}$$

$$6. \frac{d}{dx}[\operatorname{arccot} u] = \frac{-u'}{1+u^2}$$

Example

$$\frac{d}{dx} \tan^{-1}(4x) = \frac{1}{1+(4x)^2} \frac{d}{dx}(4x)$$

$$= \frac{4}{1+16x^2} \text{ or } \frac{4}{1+(4x^2)}$$

Implicit Differentiation

Implicit differentiation is useful in cases in which you cannot easily solve for y as a function of x .

Integral Calculus

Indefinite Integrals

Definition: A function $F(x)$ is the antiderivative of a function $f(x)$ if for all x in the domain of f ,

$$F'(x) = f(x)$$

$$\int f(x) dx = F(x) + C, \text{ where } C \text{ is a constant.}$$

Basic Integration Formulas

General and Logarithmic Integrals

1. $\int kf(x) dx = k \int f(x) dx$

3. $\int k dx = kx + C$

5. $\int e^x dx = e^x + C$

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

2. $\int [f(x) \pm g(x)] dx = \int f(x) dx \pm \int g(x) dx$

4. $\int x^n dx = \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} + C, n \neq -1$

6. $\int a^x dx = \frac{a^x}{\ln a} + C, a > 0, a \neq 1$

Trigonometric Integrals

1. $\int \sin x dx = -\cos x + C$

3. $\int \sec^2 x dx = \tan x + C$

5. $\int \sec x \tan x dx = \sec x + C$

7. $\int \tan x dx = -\ln |\cos x| + C$

9. $\int \sec x dx = \ln |\sec x + \tan x| + C$

11. $\int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}} = \arcsin \frac{x}{a} + C$

13. $\int \frac{dx}{x\sqrt{x^2 - a^2}} = \frac{1}{a} \operatorname{arcsec} \frac{x}{a} + C$

$\arcsin \rightarrow \sin^{-1}$
 $\arccos \rightarrow \cos^{-1}$

2. $\int \cos x dx = \sin x + C$

4. $\int \csc^2 x dx = -\cot x + C$

6. $\int \csc x \cot x dx = -\csc x + C$

8. $\int \cot x dx = \ln |\sin x| + C$

10. $\int \csc x dx = -\ln |\csc x + \cot x| + C$

12. $\int \frac{dx}{a^2 + x^2} = \frac{1}{a} \arctan \frac{x}{a} + C$

Example

$$\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{9-x^2}} dx$$

$$\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{9(1-\frac{x^2}{9})}} dx$$

$$\frac{1}{3} \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\frac{x^2}{9}}} dx$$

$$u = \frac{x}{3}, du = \frac{1}{3} dx$$

$$\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{9-x^2}} dx$$

rewrite

$$\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{(3)^2-x^2}} dx$$

$$\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{3}\right) + C$$

Integration by Substitution

$$\int f(g(x))g'(x) dx = F(g(x)) + C$$

If $u = g(x)$, then $du = g'(x) dx$ and $\int f(u) du = F(u) + C$

X Integration by Parts

(Not AB)

$$\int u dv = uv - \int v du$$

Distance, Velocity, and Acceleration (on Earth)

$$a(t) = s''(t) = -32 \text{ ft/sec}^2$$

$$v(t) = s'(t) = \int s''(t) dt = \int -32 dt = -32t + C_1$$

$$\text{at } t = 0, v_0 = v(0) = (-32)(0) + C_1 = C_1$$

$$s(t) = \int v(t) dt = \int (-32t + v_0) dt = -16t^2 + v_0t + C_2$$

* Review Rules *
 # 20, 21, 23, 24, 54, 55, 56

Calculus – Final Review Sheet

When you see the words

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1.	Find the zeros	Find roots. Set function = 0, factor or use quadratic equation if quadratic, graph to find zeros on calculator
2.	Show that $f(x)$ is even	Show that $f(-x) = f(x)$ symmetric to y-axis
3.	Show that $f(x)$ is odd	Show that $f(-x) = -f(x)$ OR $f(x) = -f(-x)$ symmetric around the origin
4.	Show that $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$ exists	Show that $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x)$; exists and are equal
5.	Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$, calculator allowed	Use TABLE [ASK], find y values for x-values close to a from left and right
6.	Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$, no calculator	Substitute $x = a$ 1) limit is value if $\frac{b}{c}$, incl. $\frac{0}{c} = 0; c \neq 0$ 2) DNE for $\frac{b}{0}$ 3) $\frac{0}{0}$ DO MORE WORK! a) rationalize radicals b) simplify complex fractions c) factor/reduce \rightarrow GCF, trinomials d) known trig limits <i>diff squares, perfect cubes</i> 1. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = 1$ 2. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos x}{x} = 0$ e) piece-wise fcn: check if RH = LH at break
7.	Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)$, calculator allowed	Use TABLE [ASK], find y values for large values of x, i.e. 999999999999
8.	Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)$, no calculator	Ratios of rates of changes 1) $\frac{\text{fast}}{\text{slow}} = DNE$ 2) $\frac{\text{slow}}{\text{fast}} = 0$ 3) $\frac{\text{same}}{\text{same}} = \text{ratio of coefficients}$
9.	Find horizontal asymptotes of $f(x)$	Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x)$ <i>deg N < deg D, y = 0</i> <i>deg N = deg D \rightarrow Quotient of leading coeff</i>
10.	Find vertical asymptotes of $f(x)$ <i>*If you can remove a factor \rightarrow hole not V.A.</i>	Find where $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^\pm} f(x) = \pm\infty$ 1) Factor/reduce $f(x)$ and set denominator = 0 2) $\ln x$ has VA at $x = 0$

11.	Find domain of $f(x)$	Assume domain is $(-\infty, \infty)$. Restrictable domains. denominators $\neq 0$, square roots of only non-negative numbers, log or ln of only positive numbers, real-world constraints
12.	Show that $f(x)$ is continuous	Show that 1) $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$ exists ($\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x)$) 2) $f(a)$ exists 3) $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = f(a)$
13.	Find the slope of the tangent line to $f(x)$ at $x = a$.	Find derivative $f'(a) = m$.
14.	Find equation of the line tangent to $f(x)$ at (a, b)	$f'(a) = m$ and use $y - b = m(x - a)$ sometimes need to find $b = f(a)$
15.	Find equation of the line normal (perpendicular) to $f(x)$ at (a, b)	Same as above but $m = \frac{-1}{f'(a)}$
16.	Find the average rate of change of $f(x)$ on $[a, b]$	Find $\frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}$
17.	Show that there exists a c in $[a, b]$ such that $f(c) = n$	Intermediate Value Theorem (IVT) Confirm that $f(x)$ is continuous on $[a, b]$, then show that $f(a) \leq n \leq f(b)$.
18.	Find the interval where $f(x)$ is increasing	Find $f'(x)$, set both numerator and denominator to zero to find critical points, make sign chart of $f'(x)$ and determine where $f'(x)$ is positive.
19.	Find interval where the slope of $f(x)$ is increasing	Find the derivative of $f'(x) = f''(x)$, set both numerator and denominator to zero to find critical points, make sign chart of $f''(x)$ and determine where $f''(x)$ is positive.
20.	Find instantaneous rate of change of $f(x)$ at a	Find $f'(a)$
21.	Given $s(t)$ (position function), find $v(t)$	Find $v(t) = s'(t)$
22.	Find $f'(x)$ by the limit definition <i>Frequently asked backwards</i>	$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$ or $f'(a) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a}$
23.	Find the average velocity of a particle on $[a, b]$ <i>Note: If only $v(t)$ is given you can use the average value formula.</i>	Find $\frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b v(t) dt$ OR $\frac{s(b) - s(a)}{b - a}$ depending on if you know $v(t)$ or $s(t)$
24.	Given $v(t)$, determine if a particle is speeding up at $t = k$	Find $v(k)$ and $a(k)$. If signs match, the particle is speeding up; if different signs, then the particle is slowing down.
25.	Given a graph of $f'(x)$, find where $f(x)$ is increasing	Determine where $f'(x)$ is positive (above the x -axis.)

	Given a table of x and $f(x)$ on selected values between a and b , estimate $f'(c)$ where c is between a and b .	Straddle c , using a value, k , greater than c and a value, h , less than c . so $f'(c) \approx \frac{f(k) - f(h)}{k - h}$
27.	Given a graph of $f'(x)$, find where $f(x)$ has a relative maximum.	Identify where $f'(x) = 0$ crosses the x-axis from above to below OR where $f'(x)$ is discontinuous and jumps from above to below the x-axis.
28.	Given a graph of $f'(x)$, find where $f(x)$ is concave down.	Identify where $f'(x)$ is decreasing.
29.	Given a graph of $f'(x)$, find where $f(x)$ has point(s) of inflection.	Identify where $f'(x)$ changes from increasing to decreasing or vice versa.
30.	Show that a piecewise function is differentiable at the point a where the function rule splits	First, be sure that the function is continuous at $x = a$ by evaluating each function at $x = a$. Then take the derivative of each piece and show that $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f'(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f'(x)$
31.	Given a graph of $f(x)$ and $h(x) = f^{-1}(x)$, find $h'(a)$	Find the point where a is the y-value on $f(x)$, sketch a tangent line and estimate $f'(b)$ at the point, then $h'(a) = \frac{1}{f'(b)}$
32.	Given the equation for $f(x)$ and $h(x) = f^{-1}(x)$, find $h'(a)$	Understand that the point (a, b) is on $h(x)$ so the point (b, a) is on $f(x)$. So find b where $f(b) = a$ $h'(a) = \frac{1}{f'(b)}$
33.	Given the equation for $f(x)$, find its derivative algebraically.	1) know product/quotient/chain rules 2) know derivatives of basic functions a. Power Rule: polynomials, radicals, rationals b. $e^x; b^x$ c. $\ln x; \log_b x$ d. $\sin x; \cos x; \tan x$ e. $\arcsin x; \arccos x; \arctan x; \sin^{-1} x; etc$
34.	Given a relation of x and y , find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ algebraically.	Implicit Differentiation Find the derivative of each term, using product/quotient/chain appropriately, especially, chain rule: every derivative of y is multiplied by $\frac{dy}{dx}$; then group all $\frac{dy}{dx}$ terms on one side; factor out $\frac{dy}{dx}$ and solve.
35.	Find the derivative of $f(g(x))$	Chain Rule $f'(g(x)) \cdot g'(x)$

36.	Find the minimum value of a function on $[a, b]$	Solve $f'(x) = 0$ or DNE, make a sign chart, find change from negative to positive for relative minimum and evaluate those candidates along with endpoints back into $f(x)$ and choose the smallest. NOTE: be careful to confirm that $f(x)$ exists for any x-values that make $f'(x)$ DNE.
37.	Find the minimum slope of a function on $[a, b]$	Solve $f''(x) = 0$ or DNE, make a sign chart, find sign change from negative to positive for relative minimums and evaluate those candidates along with endpoints back into $f'(x)$ and choose the smallest. NOTE: be careful to confirm that $f(x)$ exists for any x-values that make $f''(x)$ DNE.
38.	Find critical values	Express $f'(x)$ as a fraction and solve for numerator and denominator each equal to zero.
39.	Find the absolute maximum of $f(x)$	Solve $f'(x) = 0$ or DNE, make a sign chart, find sign change from positive to negative for relative maximums and evaluate those candidates into $f(x)$, also find $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x)$; choose the largest.
40.	Show that there exists a c in $[a, b]$ such that $f'(c) = 0$	Rolle's Theorem Confirm that f is continuous and differentiable on the interval. Find k and j in $[a, b]$ such that $f(k) = f(j)$, then there is some c in $[k, j]$ such that $f'(c) = 0$.
41.	Show that there exists a c in $[a, b]$ such that $f'(c) = m$	Mean Value Theorem Confirm that f is continuous and differentiable on the interval. Find k and j in $[a, b]$ such that $m = \frac{f(k) - f(j)}{k - j}$, then there is some c in $[k, j]$ such that $f'(c) = m$.
42.	Find range of $f(x)$ on $[a, b]$	Use max/min techniques to find values at relative max/mins. Also compare $f(a)$ and $f(b)$ (endpoints)
43.	Find range of $f(x)$ on $(-\infty, \infty)$	Use max/min techniques to find values at relative max/mins. Also compare $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} f(x)$.
44.	Find the locations of relative extrema of $f(x)$ given both $f'(x)$ and $f''(x)$. Particularly useful for relations of x and y where finding a change in sign would be difficult.	Second Derivative Test Find where $f'(x) = 0$ OR DNE then check the value of $f''(x)$ there. If $f''(x)$ is positive, $f(x)$ has a relative minimum. If $f''(x)$ is negative, $f(x)$ has a relative maximum.

45.	Find inflection points of $f(x)$ algebraically.	Express $f''(x)$ as a fraction and set both numerator and denominator equal to zero. Make sign chart of $f''(x)$ to find where $f''(x)$ changes sign. (+ to - or - to +) NOTE: be careful to confirm that $f(x)$ exists for any x -values that make $f''(x)$ DNE.
46.	Show that the line $y = mx + b$ is tangent to $f(x)$ at (x_1, y_1)	Two relationships are required: same slope and point of intersection. Check that $m = f'(x_1)$ and that (x_1, y_1) is on both $f(x)$ and the tangent line.
47.	Find any horizontal tangent line(s) to $f(x)$ or a relation of x and y .	Write $\frac{dy}{dx}$ as a fraction. Set the numerator equal to zero. NOTE: be careful to confirm that any values are on the curve. Equation of tangent line is $y = b$. May have to find b .
48.	Find any vertical tangent line(s) to $f(x)$ or a relation of x and y .	Write $\frac{dy}{dx}$ as a fraction. Set the denominator equal to zero. NOTE: be careful to confirm that any values are on the curve. Equation of tangent line is $x = a$. May have to find a .
49.	Approximate the value of $f(0.1)$ by using the tangent line to f at $x = 0$	Find the equation of the tangent line to f using $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$ where $m = f'(0)$ and the point is $(0, f(0))$. Then plug in 0.1 into this line; be sure to use an approximate (\approx) sign. Alternative linearization formula: $y = f'(a)(x - a) + f(a)$
50.	Find rates of change for volume problems.	Write the volume formula. Find $\frac{dV}{dt}$. Careful about product/ chain rules. Watch positive (increasing measure)/negative (decreasing measure) signs for rates.
51.	Find rates of change for Pythagorean Theorem problems.	$x^2 + y^2 = z^2$ $2x \frac{dx}{dt} + 2y \frac{dy}{dt} = 2z \frac{dz}{dt}$; can reduce 2's Watch positive (increasing distance)/negative (decreasing distance) signs for rates.
52.	Find the average value of $f(x)$ on $[a, b]$	Find $\frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx$
53.	Find the average rate of change of $f(x)$ on $[a, b]$	$\frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}$
54.	* Given $v(t)$, find the total distance a particle travels on $[a, b]$	Find $\int_a^b v(t) dt$
55.	* Given $v(t)$, find the change in position a particle travels on $[a, b]$	Find $\int_a^b v(t) dt$

56.	Given $v(t)$ and initial position of a particle, find the position at $t = a$.	Find $\int_0^a v(t) dt + s(0)$ Read carefully: starts at rest at the origin means $s(0) = 0$ and $v(0) = 0$
57.	$\frac{d}{dx} \int_a^x f(t) dt =$	$f(x)$
58.	$\frac{d}{dx} \int_a^{g(x)} f(t) dt$	$f(g(x))g'(x)$
59.	Find area using left Riemann sums	$A = base[x_0 + x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_{n-1}]$ Note: sketch a number line to visualize
60.	Find area using right Riemann sums	$A = base[x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + \dots + x_n]$ Note: sketch a number line to visualize
61.	Find area using midpoint rectangles	Typically done with a table of values. Be sure to use only values that are given. If you are given 6 sets of points, you can only do 3 midpoint rectangles. Note: sketch a number line to visualize
62.	Find area using trapezoids	$A = \frac{base}{2}[x_0 + 2x_1 + 2x_2 + \dots + 2x_{n-1} + x_n]$ This formula only works when the base (width) is the same. Also trapezoid area is the average of LH and RH. If different widths, you have to do individual trapezoids, $A = \frac{1}{2}h(b_1 + b_2)$
63.	Describe how you can tell if rectangle or trapezoid approximations over- or underestimate area.	Overestimate area: LH for decreasing; RH for increasing; and trapezoids for concave up Underestimate area: LH for increasing; RH for decreasing and trapezoids for concave down DRAW A PICTURE with 2 shapes.
64.	Given $\int_a^b f(x) dx$, find $\int_a^b [f(x) + k] dx$	$\int_a^b [f(x) + k] dx = \int_a^b f(x) dx + \int_a^b k dx = \int_a^b f(x) dx + k(b - a)$
65.	Given $\frac{dy}{dx}$, draw a slope field	Use the given points and plug them into $\frac{dy}{dx}$, drawing little lines with the indicated slopes at the points.
66.	y is increasing proportionally to y	$\frac{dy}{dt} = ky$ translating to $y = Ae^{kt}$
67.	Solve the differential equation ...	Separate the variables – x on one side, y on the other. The dx and dy must all be upstairs. Integrate each side, add C. Find C before solving for y , [unless $\ln y$, then solve for y first and find A]. When solving for y , choose + or – (not both), solution will be a continuous function passing through the initial value.
68.	Find the volume given a base bounded by $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ with $f(x) > g(x)$ and cross sections perpendicular to the x -axis are squares	The distance between the curves is the base of your square. So the volume is $\int_a^b (f(x) - g(x))^2 dx$

	Given the value of $F(a)$ and $F'(x) = f(x)$, find $F(b)$	Usually, this problem contains an anti-derivative you cannot do. Utilize the fact that if $F(x)$ is the anti-derivative of f , then $\int_a^b f(x)dx = F(b) - F(a)$. So solve for $F(b)$ using the calculator to find the definite integral, $F(b) = \int_a^b f(x)dx + F(a)$
70.	Meaning of $\int_a^b f(t) dt$	The accumulation function: net (total if $f(x)$ is positive) amount of y -units for the function $f(x)$ beginning at $x = a$ and ending at $x = b$.
71.	Given $v(t)$ and $s(0)$, find the greatest distance from the origin of a particle on $[a, b]$	Solve $v(t) = 0$ OR DNE. Then integrate $v(t)$ adding $s(0)$ to find $s(t)$. Finally, compare s (each candidate) and s (each endpoint). Choose greatest distance (it might be negative!)
72.	Given a water tank with g gallons initially being filled at the rate of $F(t)$ gallons/min and emptied at the rate of $E(t)$ gallons/min on $[0, b]$, find a) the amount of water in the tank at m minutes	$g + \int_0^m (F(t) - E(t))dt$
73.	b) the rate the water amount is changing at m	$\frac{d}{dt} \int_0^m (F(t) - E(t))dt = F(m) - E(m)$
74.	c) the time when the water is at a minimum	Solve $F(t) - E(t) = 0$ to find candidates, evaluate candidates and endpoints as $x = a$ in $g + \int_0^a (F(t) - E(t))dt$, choose the minimum value
75.	Find the area between $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ with $f(x) > g(x)$ on $[a, b]$	$A = \int_a^b [f(x) - g(x)]dx$
76.	Find the volume of the area between $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ with $f(x) > g(x)$, rotated about the x -axis.	$V = \pi \int_a^b [(f(x))^2 - (g(x))^2]dx$
77.	Given $v(t)$ and $s(0)$, find $s(t)$	$s(t) = \int_0^t v(x) dx + s(0)$
78.	Find the line $x = c$ that divides the area under $f(x)$ on $[a, b]$ to two equal areas	$\frac{1}{2} \int_a^b f(x)dx = \int_a^c f(x)dx$ Note: this approach is usually easier to solve than $\int_a^c f(x)dx = \int_c^b f(x)dx$

79. Find the volume given a base bounded by $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ with $f(x) > g(x)$ and cross sections perpendicular to the x -axis are semi-circles

The distance between the curves is the **diameter** of your circle. So the volume is $\frac{1}{2}\pi \int_a^b \left(\frac{f(x)-g(x)}{2}\right)^2 dx$

other cross sections \rightarrow Square $\rightarrow S^2$
 equilateral $\Delta \rightarrow \frac{S^2\sqrt{3}}{4}$

Isos right Δ
 $\frac{S^2}{2}$

Volume of known cross section

\perp to x -axis $\int_a^b A(x) dx$ \perp to y -axis $\int_c^d A(y) dy$

Finding Limits that are derivatives in disguise

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

$f'(c) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c}$

Examples

① $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan(\pi+h) - \tan\pi}{h}$

Asking \rightarrow What is the derivative of $\tan x$ when $x = \pi$.

$\frac{d}{dx} \tan x \Big|_{x=\pi} \rightarrow \sec^2 x \Big|_{x=\pi}$

$(\sec\pi)^2 = \left(\frac{1}{\cos\pi}\right)^2 = 1$

② $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - 1}{x} = \frac{e^x - e^0}{x - 0}$ (rewrite)

Asking \rightarrow What is the derivative of e^x when $x = 0$

$\frac{d}{dx} e^x = e^x \rightarrow e^0 = 1$

③ $\lim_{x \rightarrow e} \frac{\ln x - 1}{x - e} = \frac{\ln x - \ln e}{x - e}$ (rewrite)

Asking \rightarrow What is the derivative of $\ln x$ when $x = e$.

$\frac{d}{dx} \ln x \Big|_{x=e} \rightarrow \frac{1}{e}$

④ You try! $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos(\frac{\pi}{4}+h) - \cos\frac{\pi}{4}}{h} = \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right)$