

Today's Topic: Derivatives of logarithmic and exponential functions

$$\frac{d}{dx}(e^{\square}) = e^{\square} \cdot d\boxed{\square}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(b^{\square}) = b^{\square} \cdot d\boxed{\square} \cdot \ln b$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\ln \square) = \frac{d\boxed{\square}}{\boxed{\square}}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\log_b \square) = \frac{d\boxed{\square}}{\boxed{\square} \cdot \ln b}$$

In-Class Examples:

Ex. 1 Evaluate each derivative.

a. $\frac{d}{dx}[e^{2x^3 - 3x}]$

$e^{\boxed{2x^2-3x}} \cdot d\boxed{2x^2-3x}$

b. $\frac{d}{dx}[4^{\sin x}]$

$4^{\sin x} \cdot \cos x \cdot \ln 4$

c. $\frac{d}{dx}[xe^x]$

$xe^x + e^x$

$e^{2x^2-3x}(4x-3)$

Ex. 2 Evaluate each derivative.

a. $\frac{d}{dx}[\ln(x^2 + 1)]$

$\frac{2x}{x^2 + 1}$

b. $\frac{d}{dx}[\log_3(x^2 - 5x + 1)]$

$(x^2-5x+1) \cdot \ln 3$

c. $\frac{d}{dx}[(\ln x)^3]$

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

AP Multiple Choice

None

Homework: Worksheet 36