

Section 2.4 Solutions:

#1-22: Find the derivative of each exponential function

1)  $y = e^{3x}$

Rule needed

$$f(x) = ce^{g(x)}$$

$$f'(x) = cg'(x)e^{g(x)}$$

Where "c" is a constant (number without a letter)

$$c = 1$$

$$g(x) = 3x \quad g'(x) = 3$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 \cdot 3e^{3x}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 3e^{3x}$$

Answer  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 3e^{3x}$

$$3) f(x) = e^{4x+5}$$

Rule needed

$$f(x) = ce^{g(x)}$$

$$f'(x) = cg'(x)e^{g(x)}$$

Where "c" is a constant (number without a letter)

$$c = 1$$

$$g(x) = 4x + 5$$

$$g'(x) = 4$$

$$f'(x) = 1 \cdot 4 e^{4x+5}$$

$$f'(x) = 4e^{4x+5}$$

Answer  $f'(x) = 4e^{4x+5}$

$$5) f(t) = e^{t^2+3t}$$

Rule needed

$$f(x) = ce^{g(x)}$$

$$f'(x) = cg'(x)e^{g(x)}$$

Where "c" is a constant (number without a letter)

$$c = 1$$

$$g(t) = t^2 + 3t$$

$$g'(t) = 2t + 3$$

$$f'(t) = 1 \cdot (2t + 3)e^{t^2+3t}$$

$$f'(t) = (2t + 3)e^{t^2+3t}$$

answer:  $f'(t) = (2t + 3)e^{t^2+3t}$

$$7) f(x) = 2e^{4x}$$

Rule needed

$$f(x) = ce^{g(x)}$$

$$f'(x) = cg'(x)e^{g(x)}$$

Where "c" is a constant (number without a letter)

$$c = 2$$

$$g(x) = 4x$$

$$g'(x) = 4$$

$$f'(x) = 2 \cdot 4 e^{4x}$$

$$f'(x) = 8e^{4x}$$

answer:  $f'(x) = 8e^{4x}$

9)  $y = x^2 e^x$

Rule needed for the "e"

$$f(x) = ce^{g(x)}$$

$$f'(x) = cg'(x)e^{g(x)}$$

Where "c" is a constant (number without a letter)

Also need the product rule as both factors have an x.

$c=1$   $g(x)=x$   
 $g'(x)=1$   
 $1 \cdot 1 \cdot e^x$

First factor	$x^2$	Second Factor	$e^x$
Derivative	$2x$	Derivative	$e^x$
cross multiply top down		cross multiply bottom up	
$x^2 e^x$		$2x e^x$	

$$y' = x^2 e^x + 2x e^x$$

$$y' = x (x e^x + 2e^x)$$

$$y' = x e^x (x + 2)$$

answer:  $y' = x e^x (x + 2)$

11)  $k(y) = (y + 2)e^{3y}$

Rule needed for the "e"

$$f(x) = ce^{g(x)}$$

$$f'(x) = cg'(x)e^{g(x)}$$

Where "c" is a constant (number without a letter)

Also need the product rule as both factors have an x.

$c = 1$   $g(y) = 3y$   
 $g'(y) = 3$   $1 \cdot 3e^{3y}$

<p><b>First factor</b> <math>y + 2</math></p>	<p><b>Second Factor</b> <math>e^{3y}</math></p>
<p><b>Derivative</b> <math>1</math></p>	<p><b>Derivative</b> <math>3e^{3y}</math> <span style="font-size: 2em;">↗</span></p>
<p><b>cross multiply top down</b>  <math>(y+2) \cdot 3e^{3y}</math></p>	<p><b>cross multiply bottom up</b>  <math>1 \cdot e^{3y}</math></p>

$$k'(y) = (y+2) \cdot 3e^{3y} + 1e^{3y}$$

$$k'(y) = e^{3y} [ (y+2) \cdot 3 + 1 ]$$

~~Answer~~

$$k'(y) = e^{3y} (3y + 6 + 1)$$

$$k'(y) = e^{3y} (3y + 7)$$

13)  $f(x) = xe^{5x}$

Rule needed for the "e"

$$f(x) = ce^{g(x)}$$

$$f'(x) = cg'(x)e^{g(x)}$$

Where "c" is a constant (number without a letter)

$c=1$   $g(x) = 5x$   
 $g'(x) = 5$   
 $1 \cdot 5e^{5x}$

Also need the product rule as both factors have an x.

First factor	$x$	Second Factor	$e^{5x}$
Derivative	$1$	Derivative	$5e^{5x}$
cross multiply top down		cross multiply bottom up	
$x \cdot 5e^{5x}$		$1e^{5x}$	

$$f'(x) = x \cdot 5e^{5x} + 1e^{5x}$$

$$f'(x) = e^{5x}(5x+1)$$

answer:  $f'(x) = e^{5x}(5x+1)$

$$15) f(t) = \frac{t^2}{e^t}$$

Rule needed for the "e"

$$f(x) = ce^{g(x)}$$

$$f'(x) = cg'(x)e^{g(x)}$$

Where "c" is a constant (number without a letter)

Also need the quotient rule because of the division.

Denominator	$e^t$	Numerator	$t^2$
Derivative	$e^t$	Derivative	$2t$
cross multiply top down	$2te^t$	cross multiply bottom up	$t^2e^t$

$$f'(t) = \frac{2te^t - t^2e^t}{(e^t)^2}$$

$$f'(t) = \frac{te^t(2-t)}{e^t \cdot e^t}$$

$$f'(t) = \frac{T(2-T)}{e^t}$$

OKAY TO STOP HERE

$$f'(t) = \frac{T(-T+2)}{e^t}$$

$$f'(t) = \frac{-T(T-2)}{e^t}$$

answer  $f'(t) = \frac{-t^2+2t}{e^t} = \frac{-t(t-2)}{e^t}$



$$17) f(x) = \frac{x+2}{e^x}$$

Rule needed for the "e"

$$f(x) = ce^{g(x)}$$

$$f'(x) = cg'(x)e^{g(x)}$$

Where "c" is a constant (number without a letter)

Also need the quotient rule because of the division.

Denominator	$e^x$	Numerator	$x+2$
Derivative	$e^x$	Derivative	1
cross multiply top down	$  e^x$	cross multiply bottom up	$(x+2)e^x$

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

$$f'(x) = \frac{e^x(1 - (x+2))}{e^x \cdot e^x}$$

$$\text{answer } f'(x) = \frac{-1x-1}{e^x} = \frac{-1(x+1)}{e^x}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1-x-2}{e^x}$$

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

$$19) f(x) = 3^x$$

Rule needed

$$f'(x) = c \ln(a) g'(x) a^{g(x)}$$

$$c = 1$$

$$a = 3$$

$$g(x) = x$$

$$g'(x) = 1$$

$$f'(x) = 1 \cdot \ln(3) \cdot 1 \cdot 3^x$$

$$f'(x) = \ln(3) 3^x$$

answer:  $f'(x) = \ln(3) 3^x$

$$21) f(x) = 3^{5x}$$

Rule needed

$$f'(x) = c \ln(a) g'(x) a^{g(x)}$$

$$c = 1$$

$$a = 3$$

$$g(x) = 5x$$

$$g'(x) = 5$$

$$f'(x) = 1 \cdot \ln(3) \cdot 5 \cdot 3^{5x}$$

answer:  $f'(x) = 5 \ln(3) 3^{5x}$

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#23-38: Find the derivative of each logarithmic function

23)  $y = \ln(4x)$

Rule needed

$$f(x) = c \ln[g(x)]$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{c g'(x)}{g(x)}$$

$c$  is a constant

$$c = 1$$

$$g(x) = 4x$$

$$g'(x) = 4$$

answer  $y' = \frac{1}{x}$

$$y' = \frac{1 \cdot 4}{4x}$$

$$y' = \frac{4}{4x}$$

$$y' = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$25) y = \ln(8x^2)$$

Rule needed

$$f(x) = c \ln[g(x)]$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{c g'(x)}{g(x)}$$

$c$  is a constant

$$c = 1$$

$$g(x) = 8x^2$$

$$g'(x) = 16x$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1 \cdot 16x}{8x^2}$$

answer:  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2}{x}$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2 \cdot 16x}{8 \cdot x \cdot x}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2}{x}$$

$$27) f(x) = \ln(2x - 3)$$

Rule needed

$$f(x) = c \ln[g(x)]$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{c g'(x)}{g(x)}$$

$c$  is a constant

$$c = 1$$

$$g(x) = 2x - 3$$

$$g'(x) = 2$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1 \cdot 2}{2x - 3}$$

answer:  $f'(x) = \frac{2}{2x - 3}$

$$f'(x) = \frac{2}{2x - 3}$$

29)  $y = 3x \ln(5x)$

<p>Rule needed</p> $f(x) = c \ln[g(x)]$ $f'(x) = \frac{c g'(x)}{g(x)}$ <i>c is a constant</i>
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$c=1 \quad g(x) = 5x$

Also need product rule

$g'(x) = 5 \quad \frac{1 \cdot 5}{5x} = \frac{1}{x}$

First factor	$3x$	Second Factor	$\ln(5x)$
Derivative	$3$	Derivative	$\frac{1}{x}$
cross multiply top down		cross multiply bottom up	
$3x \cdot \frac{1}{x} = 3$		$3 \ln(5x)$	

$$\begin{aligned}
 y' &= 3 + 3 \ln(5x) \\
 &= 3(1 + \ln(5x)) \\
 &\text{OR } 3(\ln(5x) + 1)
 \end{aligned}$$

answer:  $y' = 3(\ln(5x) + 1)$

31)  $f(y) = y^2 \ln(3y)$

<p>Rule needed</p> $f(x) = c \ln[g(x)]$ $f'(x) = \frac{cg'(x)}{g(x)}$ <i>c is a constant</i>	$c = 1$ $g(y) = 3y$ $g'(y) = 3$	$\frac{1 \cdot 3}{3y} = \frac{3}{3y} = \frac{1}{y}$
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Also need product rule

First factor	$y^2$	Second Factor	$\ln(3y)$
Derivative	$2y$	Derivative	$\frac{1}{y}$
cross multiply top down		cross multiply bottom up	
$y^2 \cdot \frac{1}{y} = y$		$2y \ln(3y)$	

$$f'(y) = y + 2y \ln(3y)$$

$$f'(y) = y(1 + 2 \ln(3y))$$

answer  $f'(y) = y(2 \ln(3y) + 1)$

OR

$$f'(y) = y(2 \ln(3y) + 1)$$



$$33) f(x) = \log_3(x)$$

$$f(x) = c \log_b[g(x)]$$
$$f'(x) = \frac{c g'(x)}{\ln(b) g(x)}$$

$c$  is a constant  
 $b > 0$

$$c = 1$$

$$b = 3$$

$$g(x) = x$$

$$g'(x) = 1$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1 \cdot 1}{\ln(3) x}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{\ln(3) x}$$

answer:  $f'(x) = \frac{1}{\ln(3) x}$

$$35) f(x) = \log_3(2x + 7)$$

$$f(x) = c \log_b[g(x)]$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{c g'(x)}{\ln(b) g(x)}$$

$c$  is a constant

$$b > 0$$

$$c = 1$$

$$b = 3$$

$$g(x) = 2x + 7$$

$$g'(x) = 2$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1 \cdot 2}{\ln(3)(2x+7)}$$

$$\text{answer } f'(x) = \frac{2}{\ln(3)(2x+7)}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{2}{\ln(3)(2x+7)}$$

#37-42:

- Find all values of  $x$  where the tangent line is horizontal
- Find the equation of the tangent line to the graph of the function for the values of  $x$  found in part a.

37)  $y = e^{x^2}$

- Find derivative, then solve derivative equal to zero.

Rule needed for the derivative

$$f(x) = ce^{g(x)}$$

$$f'(x) = cg'(x)e^{g(x)}$$

Where "c" is a constant (number without a letter)

(a)  $c = 1$   $y' = 1 \cdot 2x \cdot e^{x^2}$   
 $g(x) = x^2$   $y' = 2xe^{x^2}$   
 $g'(x) = 2x$   
 $2xe^{x^2} = 0$   
 $\frac{2x}{2} = \frac{0}{2}$   $e^{x^2} = 0$   
 $x = 0$  No Solution

Part a  
ANSWER

$$x = 0$$

37a) *answer:*  $x = 0$

37b)  $y = 1$

#37-42:

- Find all values of  $x$  where the tangent line is horizontal
- Find the equation of the tangent line to the graph of the function for the values of  $x$  found in part a.

39)  $y = 3xe^x$

- Find derivative, then solve derivative equal to zero.

Rule needed for the "e"

$$f(x) = ce^{g(x)}$$

$$f'(x) = cg'(x)e^{g(x)}$$

Where "c" is a constant (number without a letter)

Also need the product rule as both factors have an  $x$ .

First factor	$3x$	Second Factor	$e^x$
Derivative	$3$	Derivative	$e^x$
cross multiply top down		cross multiply bottom up	
$3xe^x$		$3e^x$	

Ⓐ  $f'(x) = 3xe^x + 3e^x$

$$f'(x) = 3e^x(x+1)$$

$$3e^x(x+1) = 0$$

$$3e^x = 0$$

No Solution

$$x+1 = 0$$

$$x = -1$$

ANSWER  
PART A

$$x = -1$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{b)} \quad x &= -1 \\
 y &= f(-1) = 3(-1)e^{-1} \\
 &= -3e^{-1} \\
 &= -\frac{3}{e}
 \end{aligned}$$

Point  $(-1, -\frac{3}{e})$

Slope  $m=0$

All horizontal lines have Slope  $m=0$

39a)  $x = -1$

39b)  $y = -\frac{3}{e}$

$$y - (-\frac{3}{e}) = 0(x - (-1))$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 y + \frac{3}{e} &= 0 \\
 -\frac{3}{e} \quad & -\frac{3}{e}
 \end{aligned}$$

ANSWER  
PART b

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$$y = -\frac{3}{e}$$

- a) Find all values of  $x$  where the tangent line is horizontal  
 b) Find the equation of the tangent line to the graph of the function for the values of  $x$  found in part a.

41)  $y = xe^{2x}$

- a) Find derivative, then solve derivative equal to zero.

Rule needed for the "e"

$$f(x) = ce^{g(x)}$$

$$f'(x) = cg'(x)e^{g(x)}$$

Where "c" is a constant (number without a letter)

Also need the product rule as both factors have an  $x$ .

First factor	$x$	Second Factor	$e^{2x}$
Derivative	$1$	Derivative	$2e^{2x}$
cross multiply top down		cross multiply bottom up	
$x \cdot 2e^{2x}$		$1e^{2x}$	

$$y' = 2xe^{2x} + 1e^{2x}$$

$$y' = e^{2x}(2x+1)$$

$$e^{2x}(2x+1) = 0$$

$$e^{2x} = 0 \qquad 2x+1 = 0$$

No Solution  $2x = -1$   
 $x = -1/2$

Answer PART A  $x = -\frac{1}{2}$

$$b) \quad x = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$y = f(-\frac{1}{2}) = -\frac{1}{2} e^{2 \cdot -\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$y = -\frac{1}{2} e^{-1}$$

$$y = -\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{e} = -\frac{1}{2e}$$

answer: 41a)  $x = -\frac{1}{2}$

41b)  $y = -\frac{1}{2e}$

Point  $(-\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2e})$

Slope  $M = 0$

$$y - (-\frac{1}{2e}) = 0(x - (-\frac{1}{2}))$$

$$y + \frac{1}{2e} = 0$$

$$-\frac{1}{2e} \quad -\frac{1}{2e}$$

Answer  
PART b

$$y = -\frac{1}{2e}$$