

13. LIMITS AND DERIVATIVES

LIMITS

MEANING OF $x \rightarrow a$

If x be a variable and x takes values such as 1.99, 1.999, 1.9999, From these values it is clear that x takes these values, from left to right, the numerical difference between x and 2 gets closure and closure to 0. Similarly, if x take values 2.01, 2.001, 2.0001, Even then the numerical difference between x and 2 gets closure to 0. In such a situation, we say that x approaches to 2 and we write $x \rightarrow 2$.

In general, $x \rightarrow a$ means that the variable x and x takes values either less than or greater than that of a and the numerical difference between x and a can be made as small as we please.



Let $y = f(x)$ be a function of x and let a and k be the constant such that as $x \rightarrow a$, $f(x) = k$, the numerical value of the difference between $f(x)$ and k can be made as small as we possible by taking x is sufficiently closure to a . It can be symbolically written as: $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = k$.

Note: (i) $Lt_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$ is same as $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$.

(ii) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\text{Area of polygon of } n \text{ sides}) = \text{Area of circle}$

STANDARD RESULTS

- Limit of a constant function is a constant. i.e., If $f(x) = k$, then $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} k = k$, where 'k' is any constant
- $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} k.f(x) = k. \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$
- $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} [f(x) + g(x)] = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) + \lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)$
- $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} [f(x) - g(x)] = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) - \lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)$
- $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} [f(x).g(x)] = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) \times \lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)$
- $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)}{\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)}, g(x) \neq 0$
- $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \sqrt[n]{f(x)} = \sqrt[n]{\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)}$

E.g.:

- $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \left(\frac{x+2}{x+5} \right) = \frac{1+2}{1+5} = \frac{3}{6} = \frac{1}{2}$
- $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \left(\frac{x^2 + 2x - 5}{3x + 5} \right) = \frac{2^2 + 2 \times 2 - 5}{3 \times 2 + 5} = \frac{4 + 4 - 5}{6 + 5} = \frac{3}{11}$
- $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \left(\frac{x^2 + 3x + 2}{x + 3} \right) = \frac{(-2)^2 + 3 \times (-2) + 2}{-2 + 3} = \frac{4 - 6 + 2}{1} = \frac{0}{1} = 0$
- $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} (3x + 2)(x^2 + 2x) = (3 \times 3 + 2)(3^2 + 2 \times 3) = (9 + 2)(9 + 6) = 11 \times 15 = 165$

Evaluation of $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$, where $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = 0$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = 0$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{0}{0}$, when $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = 0$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = 0$, is known as indeterminate form.

The form $\frac{0}{0}$ is called indeterminate form.

Note: The other indeterminate forms are $\frac{\infty}{\infty}$, $0 \times \infty$, $\infty - \infty$, 0^0 , 1^∞ and ∞^0 , etc.

We cannot find the limits such functions directly. The following methods are used to find the limits:

1. Factorization Method:

- Factorize the numerator and denominator and cancel the common factors from the numerator and the denominator.
- Be sure that the limit of the resulting denominator is non-zero.
- Apply quotient rule of limit.

E.g.: Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x^2 - 5x + 6}{x - 3} = \frac{0}{0}$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{(x-2)(x-3)}{x-3} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} (x-2) = 3-2 = 1$$

2. Substitution Method:

In this method, put $x = a + h$. As $x \rightarrow a$, $h \rightarrow 0$. Then $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h)}{g(a+h)}$. It can be simplified

by cancelling the powers of h and can be simplified.

E.g.: Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} \frac{\sin x}{\pi - x} = \frac{\sin \pi}{\pi - \pi} = \frac{0}{0}$

put $x = \pi + h$ as $x \rightarrow \pi$, $h \rightarrow 0$

$$\text{Now } \lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} \frac{\sin x}{\pi - x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} \frac{\sin(\pi + h)}{\pi - (\pi + h)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} \frac{\sin(\pi + h)}{-h} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} \frac{-\sin h}{-h} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} \frac{\sin h}{h} = 1$$

3. Rationalization Method:

- Rationalize the expression, which involve square roots.
- Cancelling the factors from the numerator and denominator
- Be sure that the limit of the resulting denominator is non-zero
- Apply quotient rule of limit.

E.g. i. Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{1-x}-1}{x} = \frac{\sqrt{1-0}-1}{0} = \frac{1-1}{0} = \frac{0}{0}$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{(\sqrt{1-x}-1) \cdot (\sqrt{1-x}+1)}{x \cdot (\sqrt{1-x}+1)} \right] = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{1-x-1}{x(\sqrt{1-x}+1)} \right]$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{-x}{x(\sqrt{1-x}+1)} \right] = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{-1}{(\sqrt{1-x}+1)} \right] = \frac{-1}{(\sqrt{1-0}+1)} = \frac{-1}{(1+1)} = \frac{-1}{2} = -\frac{1}{2}$$

ii) Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{(\sqrt{1+x}-\sqrt{1-x})}{\sin^{-1} x} \right]$

The expression $= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{(\sqrt{1+x}-\sqrt{1-x})}{\sin^{-1} x} \right] = \frac{1-1}{0} = \frac{0}{0}$

put $x = \sin \theta$. As $x \rightarrow 0$, $\sin \theta \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow \theta \rightarrow 0$

The expn. $= \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{(\sqrt{1+\sin \theta}-\sqrt{1-\sin \theta})}{\theta} \right]$

$$= \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{(\sqrt{1+\sin \theta}-\sqrt{1-\sin \theta})}{\theta} \times \frac{(\sqrt{1+\sin \theta}+\sqrt{1-\sin \theta})}{(\sqrt{1+\sin \theta}+\sqrt{1-\sin \theta})} \right]$$

$$= \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{1+\sin \theta - (1-\sin \theta)}{\theta(\sqrt{1+\sin \theta}+\sqrt{1-\sin \theta})} \right] = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{2 \sin \theta}{\theta(\sqrt{1+\sin \theta}+\sqrt{1-\sin \theta})} \right]$$

$$= \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{\sin \theta}{\theta} \times \frac{2}{(\sqrt{1+\sin \theta}+\sqrt{1-\sin \theta})} \right] = 1 \times \frac{2}{(\sqrt{1+0}+\sqrt{1-0})}$$

$$= \frac{2}{1+1} = 1 \quad \left[\because \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \theta}{\theta} = 1 \right]$$

Evaluation of $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{x^n - a^n}{x - a} = na^{n-1}$, $n, a \in R$ $a > 0$

(Proof is not included. Please refer the class room note)

E.g.: i) Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(1+x)^n - 1}{x}$

$$\text{The expn.} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(1+x)^n - 1}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{(1+x)^n - 1}{(1+x) - 1} \right]$$

As $x \rightarrow 0, 1+x \rightarrow 1$

$$= \lim_{(1+x) \rightarrow 1} \left[\frac{(1+x)^n - 1^n}{(1+x) - 1} \right] = n \cdot 1^{n-1} = n \quad (\because 1^n = 1)$$

$$\text{ii) } \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^9 - 512}{x^4 - 16} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^9 - 2^9}{x^4 - 2^4} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \left[\frac{\frac{x^9 - 2^9}{x - 2}}{\frac{x^4 - 2^4}{x - 2}} \right] = \frac{9 \times 2^{9-1}}{4 \times 2^{4-1}} = \frac{9 \times 2^8}{4 \times 2^3} = 9 \times 2^{8-5} = 9 \times 2^3 = 72$$

If x is measured in radians, then

1. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \sin x = 0$
2. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \cos x = 1$
3. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = 1$
4. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x}{\sin x} = 1$
5. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan x}{x} = 1$
6. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x}{\tan x} = 1$
7. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin ax}{x} = a$
8. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin ax}{\sin bx} = \frac{a}{b}$
9. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos x}{x} = 0$

OTHER IMPORTANT THEOREMS

- $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\log(1+x)}{x} = \log e = 1$ $\left(\because \log e = \log_e e = 1 \right)$
- $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - 1}{x} = \log e = 1$
- $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{a^x - 1}{x} = \log_e a = \log a$, for $a > 0$

E.g.: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{3x} - 1}{x} = \frac{e^0 - 1}{0} = \frac{1-1}{0} = \frac{0}{0}$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{3x} - 1}{3x} \times 3 = 3 \times \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{3x} - 1}{3x} = 3 \times 1 = 3$$

Meaning of $x \rightarrow a^-$

If the variable x takes values, which are close to a constant a and always remains on the left of a then we say that x approaches to a from left and we write as $x \rightarrow a^-$.

**Meaning of $x \rightarrow a^+$**

Similarly, If the variable x takes values, which are close to a constant a and always remains on the right of a then we say that x approaches to a from right and we write as $x \rightarrow a^+$.

**LEFT OR LEFT HAND LIMIT AND RIGHT LIMIT OR RIGHT HAND LIMIT**

If $f(x)$ be a function of x and a and l be any two constant, then $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x) = l$ is known as left hand limit or left limit of the function $f(x)$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x) = l$, is known as right hand limit or right limit of the function $f(x)$.

Working rule:

- To find $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x)$:
put $x = a - h$
as $x \rightarrow a^-, h \rightarrow 0^+$
then $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} f(a - h)$

2. To find $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x)$,
 put $x = a + h$
 as $x \rightarrow a^+, h \rightarrow 0^+$
 then $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} f(a + h)$

EXISTENCE OF A FUNCTION

1. If $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x) \neq \lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x)$, then $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$ does not exist.
 2. If $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x)$, then $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$ exists and is equal to $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$ is equal to $f(a)$.

E.g.: Does the function $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$ exists, if $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x-|x|}{x}, & x \neq 0 \\ 2, & x = 0 \end{cases}$

$$LHL = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \left[\frac{x-|x|}{x} \right]$$

Put $x = 0 - h$ as $x \rightarrow 0^-, h \rightarrow 0^+$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \left[\frac{x-|x|}{x} \right] = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \left[\frac{(-h) - |-h|}{-h} \right] = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \left[\frac{(-h) - h}{-h} \right] = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \left[\frac{-2h}{-h} \right] = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} 2 = 2$$

$$RHL = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \left[\frac{x-|x|}{x} \right]$$

Put $x = 0 + h$ as $x \rightarrow 0^+, h \rightarrow 0^+$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \left[\frac{x-|x|}{x} \right] = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \left[\frac{h-|h|}{-h} \right] = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \left[\frac{0}{-h} \right] = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} 0 = 0$$

$\therefore LHL \neq RHL$. $\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$ does not exist.

DERIVATIVES

Derivative of a function

A function $f(x)$ is said to be derivable or differentiable if it is derivable at every points in its domain.

Suppose $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$. Domain of the function is $R - \{0\}$

$f(x)$ is derivable at every point in R except 0.

Derivability of a function on an interval

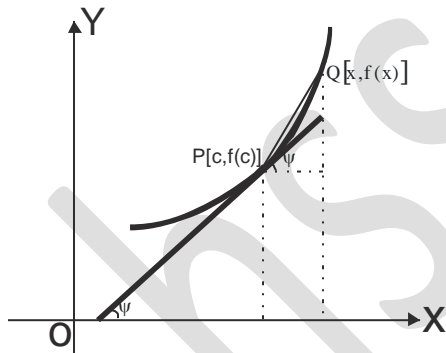
- i. A function $f(x)$ is said to be a derivable function on the open interval (a, b) , it is derivable at every points in the open interval (a, b) .
- ii. A function $f(x)$ is said to be a derivable function on the closed interval $[a, b]$,
 - a. it is derivable at every points in the open interval (a, b) ,
 - b. it is derivable at $x = a$ from right
 - c. it is derivable at $x = b$ from left

Let $f(x)$ be a differentiable function on $[a, b]$. Then corresponding to each point $x \in [a, b]$, we get a unique real number equal to the derivative of $f'(x)$ and are denoted by $f'(x)$ or $\frac{dy}{dx}$ or Dy or y_1 or y' , etc..

i.e., $\frac{dy}{dx} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$ (or) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x-h) - f(x)}{-h}$. The process of obtaining the derivative of a function is called differentiation.

Geometrical meaning of the derivative at a point: Consider the curve $y = f(x)$. Let $f(x)$ is differentiable at $x = c$. Let $P[c, f(c)]$ be a point on the curve and let Q be a neighbouring point on the curve. Then slope of the chord $PQ = \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c}$. Taking limit as $Q \rightarrow P$ i.e., $x \rightarrow c$, we get

$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c}$. As $Q \rightarrow P$, the chord PQ becomes tangent at P .



Note: derivative of y w.r.t. $x = \frac{d}{dx}(y) = \frac{dy}{dx}$
 derivative of y w.r.t. $t = \frac{d}{dt}(y) = \frac{dy}{dt}$
 derivative of x w.r.t. $t = \frac{d}{dt}(x) = \frac{dx}{dt}$, etc.

Derivative of a function $y = f(x)$

Let $y = f(x)$ is a finite, single valued function of x . Let Δx be a small increment in x and Δy be the corresponding increment in y respectively.

Then $y + \Delta y = f(x + \Delta x)$

$$\Delta y = f(x + \Delta x) - f(x)$$

$$\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = \frac{f(x + \Delta x) - f(x)}{\Delta x}$$

taking limits we have,

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

$$\boxed{\frac{dy}{dx} = f'(x)}$$

i.e., $\frac{d}{dx}[f(x)] = f'(x)$. This is called derivative of y w.r.t x or differential coefficient of y w.r.t x . This

method is called first principles or delta (Δ or δ) method or differentiation by definition or ab initio.

Note: Other forms of $\frac{dy}{dx}$ are $f'(x)$, y' , y_1 , Dy , etc..

Note: If $y = f(x)$ is a real function defined at a real constant 'h', then

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

Find the derivative of the following functions using the first principle:

1. Let $f(x) = x^2$

$$f(x+h) = (x+h)^2$$

$$f(x+h) - f(x) = (x+h)^2 - x^2$$

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

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{(x+h)^2 - x^2}{(x+h) - x} \right) = \lim_{(x+h) \rightarrow x} \left(\frac{(x+h)^2 - x^2}{(x+h) - x} \right) = 2x^{2-1} = 2x$$

i.e., $\frac{d}{dx}(x^2) = 2x$

2. Let $f(x) = e^x$

$$f(x+h) = e^{x+h}$$

$$f(x+h) - f(h) = e^{x+h} - e^h = e^x e^h - e^h = e^h (e^x - 1)$$

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

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = e^x \times 1 = e^x \quad \left(\because \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{e^x - 1}{x} \right) = \log e = 1 \right)$$

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

3. Let $f(x) = a^x$

$$f(x+h) = a^{x+h}$$

$$f(x+h) - f(h) = a^{x+h} - a^h = a^x a^h - a^h = a^h (a^x - 1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(h)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{a^x (a^h - 1)}{h} = a^x \cdot \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(a^h - 1)}{h} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = a^x \times 1 = a^x \quad \left(\because \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{a^x - 1}{x} \right) = \log a \right)$$

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

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = a^x \times \log a = a^x \log a \quad \left(\because \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{a^x - 1}{x} \right) = \log a \right)$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (a^x) = a^x \cdot \log a$$

4. Let $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$

$$f(x+h) = \sqrt{x+h}$$

$$f(x+h) - f(x) = \sqrt{x+h} - \sqrt{x} = (\sqrt{x+h} - \sqrt{x}) \times \frac{(\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x})}{(\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x})} = \frac{x+h-x}{(\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x})} = \frac{h}{(\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x})}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{h}{(\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x}) \times h} \right] = \frac{1}{(\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x})} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{(\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x})} \\
 \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{1}{(\sqrt{x+0} + \sqrt{x})} = \frac{1}{(\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x})} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \\
 \frac{d}{dx}(\sqrt{x}) &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}
 \end{aligned}$$

5. Let $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2} = x^{-2}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x+h) &= \frac{1}{(x+h)^2} = (x+h)^{-2} \\
 f(x+h) - f(x) &= (x+h)^{-2} - x^{-2} \\
 f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x+h)^{-2} - x^{-2}}{h} = \lim_{(x+h) \rightarrow x} \frac{(x+h)^{-2} - x^{-2}}{(x+h) - x} = (-2)x^{-2-1} = (-2)x^{-3} = \frac{-2}{x^3}
 \end{aligned}$$

6. Let $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^n} = x^{-n}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x+h) &= \frac{1}{(x+h)^n} = (x+h)^{-n} \\
 f(x+h) - f(x) &= (x+h)^{-n} - x^{-n} \\
 f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x+h)^{-n} - x^{-n}}{h} = \lim_{(x+h) \rightarrow x} \frac{(x+h)^{-n} - x^{-n}}{(x+h) - x} = (-n)x^{-n-1} = (-n)x^{-(n+1)} = \frac{-n}{x^{n+1}}
 \end{aligned}$$

7. Let $f(x) = \sin x$

$$f(x+h) = \sin(x+h)$$

$$f(x+h) - f(x) = \sin(x+h) - \sin x = 2 \cos\left(\frac{x+h+x}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{x+h-x}{2}\right) = 2 \cos\left(\frac{2x+h}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{h}{2}\right)$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{2 \cos\left(\frac{2x+h}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{h}{2}\right)}{h} \right] = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[2 \cos\left(\frac{2x+h}{2}\right) \times \frac{\sin\left(\frac{h}{2}\right)}{\frac{h}{2} \times 2} \right] \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[\cos\left(\frac{2x+h}{2}\right) \times \frac{\sin\left(\frac{h}{2}\right)}{\frac{h}{2}} \right] \quad \left(\text{as } h \rightarrow 0, \frac{h}{2} \rightarrow 0 \right) \\ &= \cos x \times 1 = \cos x \quad \left(\because \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = 1 \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{i.e., } \frac{d}{dx}(\sin x) = \cos x$$

8. Let $f(x) = \cos x$

$$f(x+h) = \cos(x+h)$$

$$f(x+h) - f(x) = \cos(x+h) - \cos x = -2 \sin\left(\frac{x+h+x}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{x+h-x}{2}\right) = -2 \sin\left(\frac{2x+h}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{h}{2}\right)$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{-2 \sin\left(\frac{2x+h}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{h}{2}\right)}{h} \right] = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[-2 \sin\left(\frac{2x+h}{2}\right) \times \frac{\sin\left(\frac{h}{2}\right)}{\frac{h}{2} \times 2} \right] \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[-\sin\left(\frac{2x+h}{2}\right) \times \frac{\sin\left(\frac{h}{2}\right)}{\frac{h}{2}} \right] \quad \left(\text{as } h \rightarrow 0, \frac{h}{2} \rightarrow 0 \right) \\ &= \left[-\sin\left(\frac{2x+0}{2}\right) \times 1 \right] \quad \left(\because \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = 1 \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{i.e., } \frac{dy}{dx} = -\sin\left(\frac{2x}{2}\right) = -\sin x$$

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

9. Let $f(x) = \tan x$

$$f(x+h) = \tan(x+h)$$

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

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} [\tan(x+h) - \tan x] = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{\sin(x+h)}{\cos(x+h)} - \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} \right]$$

$$= \frac{\sin(x+h)\cos x - \cos(x+h)\sin x}{\cos(x+h)\cos x}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{\sin(x+h-x)}{\cos(x+h)\cos x \times h} \right] = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{1}{\cos(x+h)\cos x} \times \frac{\sin h}{h} \right] \quad \left(\because \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = 1 \right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{\cos(x+0)\cos x} \times 1 \right)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\cos x \cos x} = \frac{1}{\cos^2 x} = \sec^2 x$$

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

10. Let $f(x) = \cot x$

$$f(x+h) = \cot(x+h)$$

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

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} [\cot(x+h) - \cot x] = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{\cos(x+h)}{\sin(x+h)} - \frac{\cos x}{\sin x} \right]$$

$$= \frac{\sin x \cos(x+h) - \cos x \sin(x+h)}{\sin(x+h)\sin x}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{\sin(x-(x+h))}{\sin(x+h)\sin x \times h} \right] = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{1}{\sin(x+h)\sin x} \times \frac{\sin(-h)}{h} \right] \quad \left(\because \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = 1 \right)$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{-1}{\sin(x+h)\sin x} \times \frac{\sinh}{h} \right] = \left(\frac{-1}{\sin(x+0)\sin x} \times 1 \right)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-1}{\sin x \sin x} = -\frac{1}{\sin^2 x} = -\operatorname{cosec}^2 x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\cot x) = -\operatorname{cosec}^2 x$$

11. Let $f(x) = \sec x$

$$f(x+h) = \sec(x+h)$$

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

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} [\sec(x+h) - \sec x] = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{1}{\cos(x+h)} - \frac{1}{\cos x} \right] = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{\cos x - \cos(x+h)}{\cos(x+h)\cos x} \right]$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \frac{-2 \sin\left(\frac{x+x+h}{2}\right) \sin\left[\frac{x-(x-h)}{2}\right]}{\cos(x+h)\cos x \times h} \right\} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{-2 \sin\left(\frac{2x+h}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{-h}{2}\right)}{\cos(x+h)\cos x \times h} \right]$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{-2 \sin\left(\frac{2x+h}{2}\right) \times \frac{-\sin\left(\frac{h}{2}\right)}{\frac{h}{2} \times 2}}{\cos(x+h)\cos x} \right] = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{\sin\left(\frac{2x+h}{2}\right) \times \frac{\sin\left(\frac{h}{2}\right)}{\frac{h}{2}}}{\cos(x+h)\cos x} \right]$$

$$= \left[\frac{\sin\left(\frac{2x+0}{2}\right)}{\cos(x+0)\cos x} \times 1 \right] \quad \left(\because \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = 1 \right)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\sin x}{\cos x \cdot \cos x} = \frac{1}{\cos x} \cdot \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} = \sec x \cdot \tan x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\sec x) = \sec x \tan x$$

12. Let $f(x) = \operatorname{cosec} x$

$$f(x+h) = \operatorname{cosec}(x+h)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \right) \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} [\cos ec(x+h) - \cos ecx] = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{1}{\sin(x+h)} - \frac{1}{\sin x} \right] = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{\sin x - \sin(x+h)}{\sin(x+h) \sin x} \right] \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \frac{2 \cos \left(\frac{x+x+h}{2} \right) \sin \left[\frac{x-(x-h)}{2} \right]}{\sin(x+h) \sin x \times h} \right\} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{2 \cos \left(\frac{2x+h}{2} \right) \sin \left(\frac{-h}{2} \right)}{\sin(x+h) \sin x \Delta x} \right] \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{2 \cos \left(\frac{2x+h}{2} \right) \times -\sin \left(\frac{h}{2} \right)}{\sin(x+h) \sin x \times \frac{h}{2} \times 2} \right] = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[-\frac{\cos \left(\frac{2x+h}{2} \right) \sin \left(\frac{h}{2} \right)}{\sin(x+h) \sin x \times \frac{h}{2}} \right] \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[-\frac{\cos \left(\frac{2x+h}{2} \right) \sin \left(\frac{h}{2} \right)}{\sin(x+h) \sin x \times \frac{h}{2}} \right] = \left[-\frac{\cos \left(\frac{2x+0}{2} \right)}{\sin(x+0) \sin x} \times 1 \right] \quad \left(\because \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = 1 \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{\cos x}{\sin x \cdot \sin x} = \frac{1}{\sin x} \cdot \frac{\cos x}{\sin x} = -\cos ecx \cdot \cot x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\cos ecx) = -\cos ecx \cdot \cot x$$

STANDARD RESULTS

$f(x)$	$f'(x)$
$\sin x$	$\cos x$
$\cos x$	$-\sin x$
$\tan x$	$\sec^2 x$
$\cos ecx$	$-\cos ecx \cot x$
$\sec x$	$\sec x \tan x$
$\cot x$	$-\cos ec^2 x$
x^n	nx^{n-1}
e^x	e^x

e^{-x}	$-e^x$
a^x	$a^x \cdot \log a$
\sqrt{x}	$\frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$
$\log x$	$\frac{1}{x}$
x	1
x^2	$2x$
$\frac{1}{x^n}$	$-\frac{1}{x^{n+1}}$
$\frac{1}{x}$	$-\frac{1}{x^2}$
$\frac{1}{x^2}$	$-\frac{2}{x^3}$
y	$\frac{dy}{dx}$
y^2	$2y \frac{dy}{dx}$

Note: Derivative of any trigonometric function starting with 'co' is negative.

FUNDAMENTAL RESULTS IN DIFFERENTIATION

1. **Differential coefficient of a constant is zero.** i.e., $\frac{d}{dx}(c) = 0$, where c is a constant.

E.g.: $\frac{d}{dx}(5) = 0$, $\frac{d}{dx}(-10) = 0$, etc.

2. If u and v are functions of x , then $\frac{d}{dx}(u \pm v) = \frac{d}{dx}(u) \pm \frac{d}{dx}(v)$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(5 \sin x + \log x) = \frac{d}{dx}(5 \sin x) + \frac{d}{dx}(\log x) = 5 \frac{d}{dx}(\sin x) + \frac{d}{dx}(\log x) = 5 \cos x + \frac{1}{x}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(2e^x - \tan x) = \frac{d}{dx}(2e^x) - \frac{d}{dx}(\tan x) = 2 \frac{d}{dx}(e^x) - \frac{d}{dx}(\tan x) = 2e^x - \sec^2 x$$

3. **Product rule:** If u and v are functions of x , then derivative of the product of two functions is equal to first function \times derivative of the second function + (plus) second function \times derivative of the first function.

$$\text{i.e., } \frac{d}{dx}(uv) = u \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(v) + v \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(u)$$

E.g.: i. $y = e^{3x} \sin 4x$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= e^{3x} \frac{d}{dx}(\sin 4x) + \sin 4x \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(e^{3x}) \\ &= e^{3x} \cdot \cos 4x \cdot 4 + \sin 4x \cdot e^{3x} \cdot 3 = e^{3x}(4 \cos 4x + 3 \sin 4x) \end{aligned}$$

ii. $y = x^2 \tan x$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= x^2 \frac{d}{dx}(\tan x) + \tan x \frac{d}{dx}(x^2) \\ &= x^2 \sec^2 x + \tan x \cdot 2x = x^2 \sec^2 x + 2x \tan x \end{aligned}$$

Corollary of product rule:

$$\text{If } u, v \text{ and } w \text{ are functions of } x, \text{ then } \frac{d}{dx}(uvw) = uv \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(w) + vw \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(u) + uw \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(v)$$

E.g.: $y = x^2 e^x \tan x$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= x^2 e^x \frac{d}{dx}(\tan x) + e^x \tan x \frac{d}{dx}(x^2) + x^2 \tan x \frac{d}{dx}(e^x) \\ &= x^2 e^x \sec^2 x + e^x \tan x \cdot 2x + x^2 \tan x \cdot e^x \\ &= x e^x (x \sec^2 x + 2 \tan x + x \tan x) = x e^x (x \sec^2 x + (2+x) \tan x) \end{aligned}$$

4. **QUOTIENT FORMULA:** If u and v are any two functions of x , then quotient of two functions is equal to (2nd function \times derivative of the 1st function minus 1st function \times derivative of the 2nd function) divided by square of the 2nd function.

$$\text{i.e., } \frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{u}{v}\right) = \frac{v \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(u) - u \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(v)}{v^2}$$

E.g.: $y = \frac{\sin x + \cos x}{\sin x - \cos x}$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{(\sin x - \cos x) \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(\sin x + \cos x) - (\sin x + \cos x) \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(\sin x - \cos x)}{(\sin x - \cos x)^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{(\sin x - \cos x)(\cos x - \sin x) - (\sin x + \cos x)(\cos x + \sin x)}{(\sin x - \cos x)^2} \\
&= \frac{(\sin x - \cos x) - (\sin x - \cos x) - (\sin x + \cos x)^2}{(\sin x - \cos x)^2} = \frac{(\sin x - \cos x)^2 - (\sin x + \cos x)^2}{(\sin x - \cos x)^2} \\
&= \frac{\sin^2 x - 2\sin x \cos x + \cos^2 x - (\sin^2 x + 2\sin x \cos x + \cos^2 x)}{(\sin x - \cos x)^2} \\
&= \frac{\sin^2 x - 2\sin x \cos x + \cos^2 x - \sin^2 x - 2\sin x \cos x - \cos^2 x}{(\sin x - \cos x)^2} \\
&= \frac{-2\sin x \cos x - 2\sin x \cos x}{(\sin x - \cos x)^2} = \frac{-2 \cdot 2\sin x \cos x}{(\sin x - \cos x)^2} = \frac{-2 \sin 2x}{(\sin x - \cos x)^2}
\end{aligned}$$

FUNCTION OF A FUNCTION

Let $y = f(u)$, where $u = \phi(x)$, then y is called function of a function from.

Note:

$$\frac{d}{dx}\{f[\phi(x)]\} = f'[\phi(x)] \times \phi'(x)$$

E.g.: $f(x) = \sqrt{2x+3}$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2x+3}} \times \frac{d}{dx}(2x+3) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2x+3}} \times 2 \times 1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2x+3}}$$

ii. $y = e^{-ax^2}$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = e^{-ax^2} \times \frac{d}{dx}(-ax^2) = e^{-ax^2} \times -a \times 2x = -2axe^{-ax^2}$$

iii. $y = \sin^2 x$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2\sin x \times \frac{d}{dx}(\sin x) = 2\sin x \times \cos x = \sin 2x$$

iv. $f(x) = \sin^n x$

$$f'(x) = n \sin^{n-1} x \times \cos x$$

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