

AP Calculus AB

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Find $f'(x)$ if $f(x) = -4/x$

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

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{-4}{x+h} - \frac{-4}{x}}{h}$$

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\left(\frac{x}{x}\right) \frac{-4}{x+h} + \frac{4}{x} \left(\frac{x+h}{x+h}\right)}{h}$$

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-4x + 4(x+h)}{x(x+h) \cdot h}$$

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-4x + 4x + 4h}{xh(x+h)}$$

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{4h}{xh(x+h)}$$

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{4}{x(x+h)} = \frac{4}{x^2}$$

$$f(x) = \frac{-4}{x}$$

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

$$\textcircled{8} f(x) = \sqrt{x}$$

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

$$\textcircled{7} f(x) = \frac{-1}{x^2}$$

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

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-x^2 + (x+h)^2}{x^2 h (x+h)^2}$$

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-\cancel{x^2} + \cancel{x^2} + 2xh + h^2}{x^2 h (x+h)^2}$$

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cancel{h} (2x + \cancel{h})}{x^2 \cancel{h} (x+h)^2}$$

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2x+h}{x^2 (x+h)^2} = \frac{2x}{x^2 \cdot x^2} = \frac{2}{x^3}$$

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

Find $f'(x)$ if $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$

Make sure you can do this problem!

	$f(x)$	$f'(x)$
①	$2x$	2
②	x^2-5	$2x$
③	x^2+3x-4	$2x+3$
④	$4x^2-6x+1$	$8x-6$
⑤	x^3+2x	$3x^2+2$
⑥	$\frac{5}{x}+1$	$5x^{-2}+1$ $\frac{-5}{x^2} = -5x^{-2}$
⑦	$-\frac{1}{x^2}$	$\frac{2}{x^3}$
⑧	$\sqrt{x} \ x^{1/2}$	$\frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \ \frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2}$
⑨	x^4-5x^2	$4x^3-10x$
⑩	$2x^3-3x^4+1$	$6x^2-3$
⑪	$x^{1/3}$	$\frac{1}{3}x^{-2/3} = \frac{1}{3\sqrt[3]{x^2}}$
⑫	$3x^4-7x^2$	$12x^3-14x$
⑬	$ x^\pi$	$\pi x^{\pi-1}$

Power Rule

Today: ^{Rules} 1-5

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

The derivative of c is 0.

p. 36-37 (1-5)

p. 39: 1-15