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MAT122

Logarithmic Derivatives
Part II



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Log Laws - recall

ex. fully expand $\ln\left(\frac{x+1}{\sqrt{1-3x}}\right)$

use log's Quotient Rule

$$\begin{aligned} &= \ln(x+1) - \ln\sqrt{1-3x} \\ &= \ln(x+1) - \ln(1-3x)^{1/2} \\ &= \ln(x+1) - \frac{1}{2}\ln(1-3x) \end{aligned}$$

Log Laws

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$$\ln\left(\frac{M}{N}\right) = \ln M - \ln N$$

$$\ln x^P = P \ln x$$

Derivative of $y = \ln x$ with Log Laws

$$\frac{d}{dx} \ln x = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \ln \left(\frac{x+1}{\sqrt{1-3x}} \right) = \frac{d}{dx} [\ln(x+1) - \frac{1}{2} \ln(1-3x)]$$

use log laws to expand

$$= \frac{d}{dx} \ln(x+1) - \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dx} \ln(1-3x) \quad \text{DO: take both derivatives}$$

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

$$= \frac{1}{x+1} + \frac{3}{2(1-3x)} \quad \text{get LCD}$$

$$= \frac{1}{x+1} \cdot \frac{2(1-3x)}{2(1-3x)} + \frac{3}{2(1-3x)} \cdot \frac{x+1}{x+1} \quad \text{DO: combine to single fraction}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{-3x+5}{2(x+1)(1-3x)}}$$

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Derivative with Log Laws - Do

Do: differentiate $y = \ln[(5x^2 + 1)^4 (x^4 - 3)^6]$

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$$= \frac{40x}{5x^2 + 1} + \frac{24x^3}{x^4 - 3}$$

More Practice w Log Laws

ex: differentiate $y = \ln\left(\frac{x^{3/4} \sqrt{x^2 + 1}}{(3x + 2)^5}\right)$ use Quotient Rule to expand

$$= \ln\left(x^{3/4} \sqrt{x^2 + 1}\right) - \ln(3x + 2)^5$$

use Product Rule to expand

$$= \ln(x^{3/4}) + \ln(\sqrt{x^2 + 1}) - \ln(3x + 2)^5$$

now use Power Rule for exponents

$$= \frac{3}{4} \ln x + \frac{1}{2} \ln(x^2 + 1) - 5 \ln(3x + 2)$$

$$\therefore y' = \frac{3}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{x^2 + 1} \cdot \cancel{2}x - 5 \cdot \frac{1}{3x + 2} \cdot 3$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{3}{4x} + \frac{x}{x^2 + 1} - \frac{15}{3x + 2}}$$

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