

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) $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$ 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
- $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} k \cdot f(x) = k \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$
- $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} [f(x) + g(x)] = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) + \lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)$
- $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} [f(x) - g(x)] = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) - \lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)$
- $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} [f(x) \cdot g(x)] = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) \times \lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)$
- $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)}{\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)}, g(x) \neq 0$
- $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \sqrt[n]{f(x)} = \sqrt[n]{\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)}$

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 $x \rightarrow \pi$, $h \rightarrow 0$

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

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 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{1-x} - 1}{x} = \frac{\sqrt{1-0} - 1}{0} = \frac{1-1}{0} = \frac{0}{0}$

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

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

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

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

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

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

$$1. \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\log(1+x)}{x} = \log e = 1 \quad \left(\because \log e = \log_e e = 1 \right)$$

$$2. \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - 1}{x} = \log e = 1$$

$$3. \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{a^x - 1}{x} = \log_e a = \log a, \text{ for } a > 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{E.g.: } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{3x} - 1}{x} &= \frac{e^0 - 1}{0} = \frac{1-1}{0} = \frac{0}{0} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{3x} - 1}{3x} \times 3 = 3 \times \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{3x} - 1}{3x} = 3 \times 1 = 3 \end{aligned}$$

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:

$$1. \text{ To find } \lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x):$$

$$\text{put } x = a - h$$

$$\text{as } x \rightarrow a^-, h \rightarrow 0^+$$

$$\text{then } \lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} f(a - h)$$

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 $R - \{0\}$

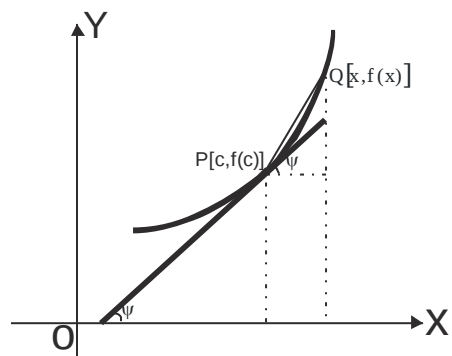
$f(x)$ is derivable at every point in R except 0.

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 $f(x) = e^x$

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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 $f(x) = \sin x$

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

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

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

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

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

$$8. \quad \text{Let } f(x) = \cos x$$

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

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

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

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

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

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

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 $f(x) = \sec x$

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

STANDARD RESULTS

$f(x)$	$f'(x)$
$\sin x$	$\cos x$
$\cos x$	$-\sin x$
$\tan x$	$\sec^2 x$
$\operatorname{cosec} x$	$-\operatorname{cosec} x \cot x$
$\sec x$	$\sec x \tan x$
$\cot x$	$-\operatorname{cosec}^2 x$
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.: $y = \frac{\sin x + \cos x}{\sin x - \cos x}$

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

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

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

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