

**MAT 136 (Calculus I), Prof. Jim Swift**  
**In-Class Worksheet: Derivative of logs, and implicit differentiation**

1. Find the derivative of these functions:

$$f(x) = \ln(3x + 2) \quad f'(x) = \frac{1}{3x+2} \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(3x+2) = \frac{1}{3x+2} \cdot 3 = \boxed{\frac{3}{3x+2}}$$

$$g(x) = \ln|3x^2 - 2x - 1| \quad g'(x) = \frac{1}{3x^2-2x-1} \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(3x^2-2x-1) = \boxed{\frac{6x-2}{3x^2-2x-1}}$$

$$h(x) = \ln\left(\sqrt{\frac{|x|}{x^2+1}}\right). \quad (\text{Hint: Use logarithm identities to rewrite } h, \text{ then differentiate.})$$

$$h(x) = \frac{1}{2} \ln\left(\frac{|x|}{x^2+1}\right) = \frac{1}{2}(\ln|x| - \ln(x^2+1)); \quad h'(x) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{x} - \frac{2x}{x^2+1} \right) = \boxed{\frac{1-x^2}{2x(x^2+1)}}$$

2. Consider the curve in the  $x$ - $y$  plane that satisfies  $\sin(x) + \sin(xy) + y^2 = 1$ . Do implicit differentiation and solve for  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ .

See Desmos.

$$\frac{d}{dx}[\sin(x) + \sin(xy) + y^2] = \frac{d}{dx}[1]$$

$$\cos(x) + \cos(xy) \cdot \frac{d}{dx}[xy] + 2y \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$\cos(x) + \cos(xy) \cdot (1 \cdot y + x \frac{dy}{dx}) + 2y \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$\cos(x) + y \cos(xy) + x \cos(xy) \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$[\cos(x) + y \cos(xy)] + [x \cos(xy) + 2y] \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$[x \cos(xy) + 2y] \frac{dy}{dx} = -[\cos(x) + y \cos(xy)]$$

$$\boxed{\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-(\cos(x) + y \cos(xy))}{x \cos(xy) + 2y}}$$

Solve for  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ .  
 See below for analogy:

Collect terms without  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ ,

and terms with  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ .

~~an~~ analogy: Solve for  $m$ :

Collect terms without  $m$ ,  
 and terms with  $m$ .

$$2 + 3(4 + 5m) + 6m = 0$$

$$2 + 12 + 15m + 6m = 0$$

$$14 + 21m = 0$$

$$21m = -14,$$

$$\boxed{m = \frac{-14}{21}}$$