

MTH 251
LAB §3.1

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1. Differentiate the following polynomial expressions. Look for a pattern and become comfortable with these derivatives as you will see them a lot!

a. 1
b. x
c. x^2
d. x^3
e. x^4
f. x^{-1}

g. x^{-2}
h. x^{-3}
i. x^{-4}
j. x^{-5}
k. $\frac{1}{x}$

l. $\frac{1}{x^2}$
m. $\frac{1}{x^3}$
n. $\frac{1}{x^4}$

o. $\frac{1}{x^5}$
p. $x^{\frac{1}{2}}$
q. $x^{\frac{3}{2}}$
r. $x^{\frac{4}{3}}$
s. $x^{\frac{5}{3}}$

t. $x^{\frac{6}{5}}$
u. \sqrt{x}
v. $\sqrt[3]{x^2}$
w. $\sqrt[4]{x^3}$
x. $\sqrt[5]{x^4}$
y. $\sqrt[6]{x^5}$

2. Find $\frac{d}{dx}(x^3 + x^2 + x + 1)$

3. Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ if $y = 1 - 2x - \frac{3}{2}x^2$

4. Find $f'(x)$ if $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$

5. Find $\frac{d}{dx}(251)$

6. Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ if $y = 3x^{\frac{3}{2}}$

7. Find $g'(y)$ if $g(y) = 16(2y^3 - \sqrt{y} + y^{-1})$

8. Find $h'(z)$ if $h(z) = 1.5e^z - 6.2\sqrt[4]{z}$

9. Find $\frac{d}{dt}\left(7e^t - \frac{t^2 - 12t + 26.25}{t^2}\right)$