

## WARM UP

1) Fill in the chart to the nearest thousandth.

$h$	$\frac{2^h - 1}{h}$
1	1
0.1	0.693
0.01	0.693
0.001	0.693
0.0001	0.693

$h$	$\frac{3^h - 1}{h}$
1	2
0.1	0.693
0.01	0.693
0.001	0.693
0.0001	0.693

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2^h - 1}{h} = \ln 2$$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{3^h - 1}{h} = \ln 3$$

2) What is the value to the nearest thousandth of:

a)  $\ln 2 = \underline{0.693}$

b)  $\ln 3 = \underline{1.099}$

## Section 3.2 The Exponential Function

$$f(x) = 2^x$$

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

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2^x (2^h - 1)}{h}$$

$$= 2^x \boxed{\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2^h - 1}{h}}$$

$$f'(x) = 2^x \cdot \ln 2$$

$$f(x) = 3^x$$

$$f'(x) = 3^x \cdot \ln 3$$

$$\text{In general } \frac{d}{dx} [a^x] = a^x \cdot \ln a \quad \ln e^N = N$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} [e^x] = e^x \cdot \ln e = e^x \cdot 1 = e^x$$

$$\text{ex: } f(x) = \pi^x + x^\pi$$

$$f'(x) = \pi^x \cdot \ln \pi + \pi x^{\pi-1}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} [x^n] = nx^{n-1}$$

$$\text{ex: } f(x) = e^2 + x^e$$

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constant

$$f'(x) = 0 + ex^{e-1}$$

$$f'(x) = ex^{e-1}$$

$$\text{ex: } f(x) = (\ln 4) \cdot 4^x \quad \text{vs.}$$

$$f(x) = \underline{\ln 4} + \underline{4^x}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} [cf(x)] = cf'(x)$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} [c + f(x)] = f'(x)$$

$$f'(x) = (\ln 4) \cdot 4^x \cdot \ln 4$$

$$f'(x) = 0 + 4^x \cdot \ln 4$$

$$f'(x) = (\ln 4)^2 \cdot 4^x$$

$$f'(x) = 4^x \cdot \ln 4$$

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$$9) y = \frac{3^x}{3} + \frac{33}{\sqrt{x}} = \frac{1}{3} \cdot 3^x + 33x^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$y' = \frac{1}{3} \cdot 3^x \ln 3 - \frac{33}{2} x^{-\frac{3}{2}}$$

$$y' = \frac{3^x \ln 3}{3} - \frac{33}{2\sqrt{x^3}}$$

$$17) f(x) = x^3 + 3^x$$

$$f'(x) = 3x^2 + 3^x \ln 3$$

$$11) f(x) = e^{1+x} = e^1 e^x = \underline{e} \cdot \underline{e^x}$$

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

$$f'(x) = e^1 \cdot e^{1+x} = e^{1+x}$$

$$25) f(z) = \overbrace{(\ln 3)z^2} + \overbrace{(\ln 4)e^x}$$

$$f'(z) = (\ln 3) \cdot 2z + (\ln 4) \cdot e^x$$

$$= 2(\ln 3)z + (\ln 4)e^x$$