

Section 2.3 - Derivatives of a Polynomial & e^x

$$\frac{d}{dx} A = 0$$

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

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

(Power Rule)

$$\frac{d}{dx} K f(x) = K \left(\frac{d}{dx} f(x) \right)$$

(constant multiple Rule)

$$\frac{d}{dx} (g(x) + f(x)) = g'(x) + f'(x)$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (g(x) - f(x)) = g'(x) - f'(x)$$

(sum / difference Rule)

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

Examples:

- Take the derivative of the function

$$\bullet f(x) = 5x - \pi \quad f'(x) = 5$$

$$\bullet f(x) = 4x^4 + 2x^2 - 2 \quad f'(x) = 16x^3 + 4x$$

$$\bullet f(u) = 9u^3 - 2u^2 + 4u + 4 \quad f'(u) = 18u^2 - 4u + 4$$

$$\bullet f(s) = 4 - \pi s^2 \quad f'(s) = -2\pi s$$

$$\bullet f(x) = \frac{1}{3} (x^7 - 3x^2 + 2) \quad f'(x) = \frac{1}{3} (7x^6 - 6x)$$

$$\bullet f(x) = \frac{x^7 - 5x}{9} \quad f'(x) = \frac{1}{9} (7x^6 - 5)$$

$$\bullet f(x) = \frac{1}{a} (ax^2 + bx + c) \quad f'(x) = \frac{1}{a} (2ax + b)$$

$$\bullet f(x) = ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d \quad f'(x) = 3ax^2 + 2bx + c$$

$$\bullet f(x) = -\frac{1}{2} e^x \quad f'(x) = -\frac{1}{2} e^x$$

$$\bullet f(u) = 3e^u + 10 \quad f'(u) = 3e^u$$

$$\bullet \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{2t^4 - 5}{8} \right) \quad f'(t) = t^3$$

$$\bullet \frac{dc}{dR} \quad (c = 2\pi R) \quad \frac{dc}{dR} = 2\pi$$

$$\rightarrow x^2 + 4x - 3$$

• where are the horizontal tangent lines?

$$f'(x) = 2x + 4 \quad \text{at } x = -2$$

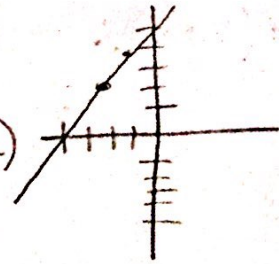
• eq of the horizontal tangent line?

$$f(-2) = (-2)^2 + 4(-2) - 3 = 4 - 8 - 3 = -7 \quad y = -7$$

• where is $f'(x) > 0$?

$$f'(x) = 2x + 4$$

$$f'(x) > 0 \rightarrow (-\infty, -2)$$



• where is $f'(x) < 0$?

$$(-2, \infty)$$