

MA-161 (F,07)
Information & Formulas
For Test 2

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS: Do all the problems on the paper I've provided unless otherwise directed. (Problem 5 is to be done on the special page. Only Problem 7 is to be done on the test paper.) Be sure you number the pages and the problems clearly. Answer all problems in sentences, even those requiring a numerical or formulaic answer. (For example, if you were asked to differentiate $y = x^2$, your answer would be the sentence $y' = 2x$.) Be sure to show your work. Your work, as well as your answers, will be graded.

A number of formulas are on the Precalculus Formula Sheet, including the Factorization Formula and some exponent and log laws. Also, if you need a formula or can't remember how to do something, ask me and I'll (possibly) tell you.

Here are some of the derivative rules we derived: Assuming u is a function of x ,

$$\frac{d}{dx}(u^n) = n \cdot u^{n-1} \frac{du}{dx} \quad \frac{d}{dx}(\sin u) = \cos u \frac{du}{dx} \quad \frac{d}{dx}(\cos u) = -\sin u \frac{du}{dx} \quad \frac{d}{dx}(\tan u) = \sec^2 u \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(e^u) = e^u \frac{du}{dx} \quad \frac{d}{dx}(\ln u) = \frac{1}{u} \cdot \frac{du}{dx} \quad \frac{d}{dx}(\sin^{-1} u) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-u^2}} \frac{du}{dx} \quad \frac{d}{dx}(\arctan u) = \frac{1}{1+u^2} \frac{du}{dx} \quad (\text{See below.})$$

PLEASE: DO NOT FORGET TO USE THE CHAIN RULE, THE PRODUCT RULE, THE QUOTIENT RULE, ETC. WHEN THEY APPLY!

Also, you may use these special limits where necessary:

$$\lim_{h \neq 0} \frac{e^h - 1}{h} = 1 \quad \lim_{h \neq 0} \frac{\sin h}{h} = 1 \quad \lim_{h \neq 0} \frac{\cos h - 1}{h} = 0 \quad \text{If } P \text{ is a polynomial, then } \lim_{x \rightarrow a} P(x) = P(a).$$

Here is the derivation of the formula for $\frac{d}{dx}(\arctan x)$, using the derivative of an inverse function procedure and implicit differentiation:

Let $y = \arctan x$. Then $\tan y = x$. Differentiate both sides with respect to x to get

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\tan y) = \frac{d}{dx}(x). \text{ Since } y \text{ is a function of } x, \text{ the left side is } \sec^2 y \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} \text{ and the right side is } 1.$$

$$\sec^2 y \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = 1. \text{ Solve this equation for } \frac{dy}{dx}:$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\sec^2 y}. \text{ Since } \frac{1}{\sec y} = \cos y \text{ and } y = \arctan x, \text{ then } \frac{dy}{dx} = (\cos y)^2 = (\cos \arctan x)^2.$$

From trigonometry, we know $\cos \arctan x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x^2}}$ so

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x^2}} \right)^2 = \frac{1}{1+x^2}.$$

$$\therefore \frac{d}{dx}(\arctan x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2}.$$

