

Nature Table

x	-1	2	5
f'(x)	+	0	-

↗ Max ↘

Leibniz Notation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = f'(x)$$

Equation of tangent line

Straight Line Theory

Gradient at a point

f'(x)=0  
Stationary Pts  
Max. / Mini Pts  
Inflection Pt

Graphs  
f'(x)=0

Derivative  
= gradient  
= rate of change

Differentiation  
of Polynomials

$$f(x) = x^{\frac{1}{2}}(2x-1)$$

$$f(x) = 2x^{\frac{3}{2}} - x^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$f'(x) = 3x^{\frac{1}{2}} - \frac{1}{2}x^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$f'(x) = 3x^{\frac{1}{2}} - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$$

f(x) = ax<sup>n</sup>  
then f'(x) = anx<sup>n-1</sup>

$$f(x) = \frac{2}{3\sqrt[4]{x^5}}$$

$$f(x) = \frac{2x^{-\frac{5}{4}}}{3}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{-\frac{5}{4}x^{-\frac{9}{4}}}{3} = \frac{-5}{12\sqrt[4]{x^9}}$$