

**MATH 210**  
**RULES FOR DIFFERENTIATION, PART 3**

ATOMIC RULES

$$\frac{d}{dx} b^x = \ln(b) \cdot b^x \quad (b > 0 \text{ and } b \neq 1)$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \log_b(x) = \frac{1}{\ln(b)x} \quad (b > 0 \text{ and } b \neq 1)$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \arcsin x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \arccos x = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \arctan x = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \operatorname{arcsec} x = \frac{1}{|x|\sqrt{x^2-1}}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \operatorname{arccsc} x = -\frac{1}{|x|\sqrt{x^2-1}}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \operatorname{arccot} x = -\frac{1}{1+x^2}$$

COMBINATION RULE (CHAIN RULE)

$$\frac{d}{dx} f(u(x)) = f'(u(x)) \cdot u'(x)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \cdot \frac{du}{dx}$$

Differentiate the following functions:

- $a(x) = \arcsin(2x)$
- $b(x) = \arctan(x\pi)$
- $c(x) = e^{\ln(2) \cdot x}$
- $d(x) = e^{-x^2}$
- $f(x) = \log_{10}(e^x)$
- $g(x) = (2x - 1)^5$
- $h(x) = x^2 e^{2x}$
- $i(x) = \cos^2 x - \cos(x^2)$
- $j(x) = \sin(\arccos x)$
- $k(x) = \arctan(\sin x)$

- (1) Use the chain rule and product rule to explain why the quotient rule works.
- (2) Use the chain rule and the rule for  $e^x$  to explain why the rule for  $b^x$  works.
- (3) Use the rule for  $\ln x$  to explain why the rule for  $\log_b x$  works.