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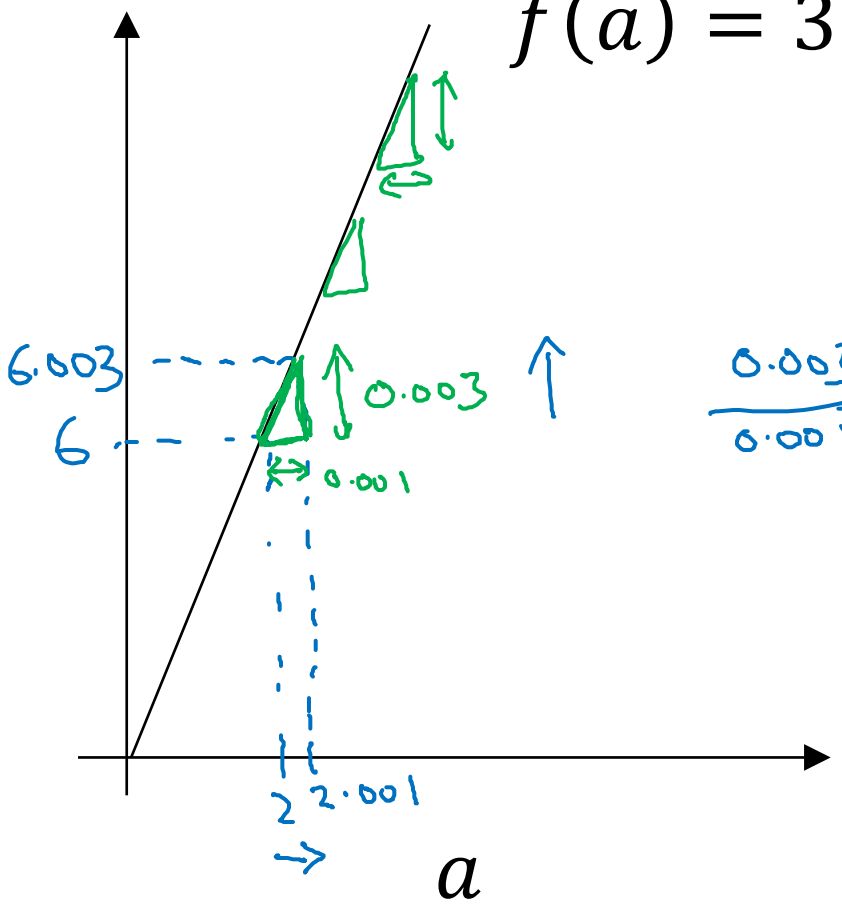
Derivatives

Intuition about derivatives



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→ slope (derivative) of $f(a)$ at $a=2$ is 3

→ $a = 2$ $f(a) = 6$

$a = 2.001$ $f(a) = 6.003$

→ $a = 5$ $f(a) = 15$

$a = 5.001$ $f(a) = 15.003$

slope at $a=5$ is also 3

$\frac{d f(a)}{da} = 3 = \frac{d}{da} f(a)$

0.001
0.000000001
0.000000000001

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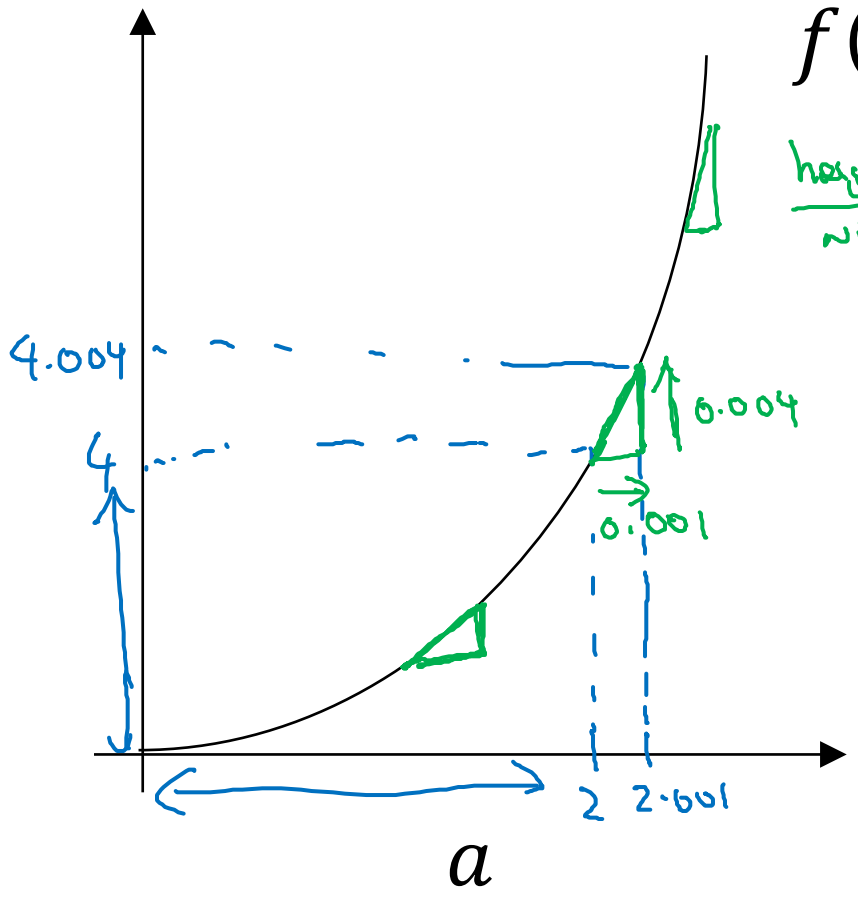


$$\frac{d}{da} a^2 = 2a$$

0.001

$(2a) \times 0.001$

0.001 ←

0.000000....01 ←

$a = 2$

$a = 2.001$

$f(a) = 4$

$f(a) \approx 4.004$

$(4.004\boxed{001})$

slope (derivative) of $f(a)$ at $a=2$ is 4.

$\frac{d}{da} f(a) = 4$ when $a = 2$.

$a = 5$

$a = 5.001$

$f(a) = 25$

$f(a) \approx 25.010$

$\frac{d}{da} f(a) = 10$ when $a = 5$

$\frac{d}{da} f(a) = \frac{d}{da} a^2 = 2a$

More derivative examples

$f(a) = a^2$

$\frac{d}{da} f(a) = \underbrace{2a}_{4}$

$a = 2$ $\quad f(a) = 4$

$a = 2.001$ $\quad f(a) \approx 4.004$

$f(a) = a^3$

$\frac{d}{da} f(a) = \underbrace{3a^2}_{3 \times 2^2 = 12}$

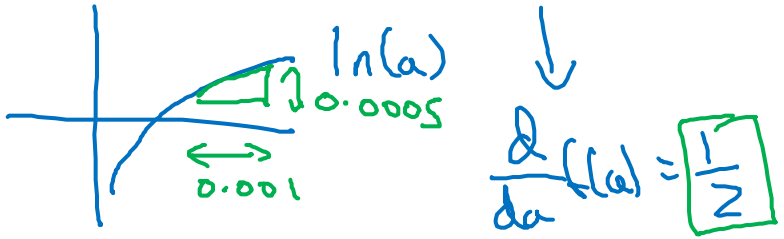
$a = 2$ $\quad f(a) = 8$

$a = 2.001$ $\quad f(a) \approx 8.012$

$f(a) = \log_e(a)$

$\ln(a)$

$\frac{d}{da} f(a) = \frac{1}{a}$



$\frac{d}{da} f(a) = \boxed{\frac{1}{2}}$

$a = 2$ $\quad f(a) \approx 0.69315$

$a = 2.001$ $\quad f(a) \approx 0.69365$

0.0005

0.0005