

MATH 100, Fall, 2021  
Tutorial #4  
Derivatives and Instantaneous Rates

- Q1. a) Complete the following statement (so as to be true): A function  $f = f(x)$  is differentiable at  $x = c$  if and only if the **the right-hand derivative**<sup>1</sup> of  $f$  exists at  $x = c$  and the **the left-hand derivative** of  $f$  exists at  $x = c$  and ....
- b) Find an example of an  $f$  and  $c$  as in part a) where both left- and right-hand derivatives exist, but  $f$  is NOT differentiable at  $x = c$ . Show that your example works by computing both one-sided derivatives and explaining why  $f$  is not differentiable.
- Q2 Find the derivative of  $y = e^x \left[ \frac{1}{x^2} - x^{e-1} \right]$  as a function of  $x > 0$ , then  $y'(1)$  as an exact expression. Finish up by computing an approximation to  $y'(1)$  rounded to three decimal places.
- Q3 Transport Canada developed a model for a car's stopping distance on dry, paved roads as follows

$$s(v) = 0.245v + 0.008v^2$$

where  $s$  = stopping distance in metres and  $v$  = speed in kilometers per hour.

- a) Compute  $s'(50)$ . What are the units? Interpret the number  $s'(50)$  in terms of increased stopping distance on a city street. Do the same for  $s'(100)$  on a highway.
- b) Use the computation in part a) and the tangent line to the curve  $s$  to **estimate** how much extra distance you will need to stop if you are speeding in a 50km per hour zone at 55km/hour (extra, compared to not speeding).
- Q4 Let  $y = \frac{1}{\cos x} + \frac{1}{\cot x}$  for  $-\pi/4 < x < \pi/4$ . Find (exact answer)  $y'(\pi/6)$ . Simplify as much as possible.
- Q5 a) Find all points  $x$  on the interval  $(-\pi, \pi)$  where the slope of the tangent line to the curve  $y = \tan x$  is parallel to the line  $y = 4x$ .
- b) Make a sketch of the tangent function and the line from part a) then add in all the tangent lines you found in part a). Use colours!

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<sup>1</sup>See textbook page 128 for definition of RH derivative.

a) A function  $f = f(x)$  is differentiable at  $x = c$  if and only if the RH derivative of  $f$  exists at  $x = c$  and the LH derivative of  $f$  exists at  $x = c$  and the LH derivative = RH derivative.

b) Standard example

$$f(x) = |x| = \begin{cases} x & x \geq 0 \\ -x & x < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$c = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{RH derivative: } \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{|0+h| - |0|}{h} \\ = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{h}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} 1 = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LH derivative: } \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{|0+h| - |0|}{h} \\ = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{-h}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} -1 = -1 \end{aligned}$$

These are not equal.

$$\text{Therefore } \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{|0+h| - |0|}{h} \quad \text{DNE}$$

$$\Rightarrow f'(0) \text{ DNE.}$$

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$$y = e^x \left[ \frac{1}{x^2} - x^{e-1} \right]; x > 0$$

$$y' = \underset{\substack{\downarrow \\ \text{product rule}}}{e^x} [\text{same}] + e^x \left[ \frac{-2}{x^3} - (e-1)x^{e-2} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} y'(1) &= e \left[ \cancel{1} - 1^{e-1} \right] + e \left[ -2 - (e-1)1^{e-2} \right] \\ &= e(-1-e) = \underline{-e(1+e)} \text{ exact.} \end{aligned}$$

$$y'(1) \approx \underline{-10.107}$$

a)  $S'(v) = 0.245 + 0.016v$

$$S'(50) = 0.245 + 0.016 \cdot (50) \approx 1.045$$

units are meters per km/hr <sup>(\*)</sup> i.e. : for each

additional km/hr of speed, distance increases  
by 1.045 metres. (think marginal rate).

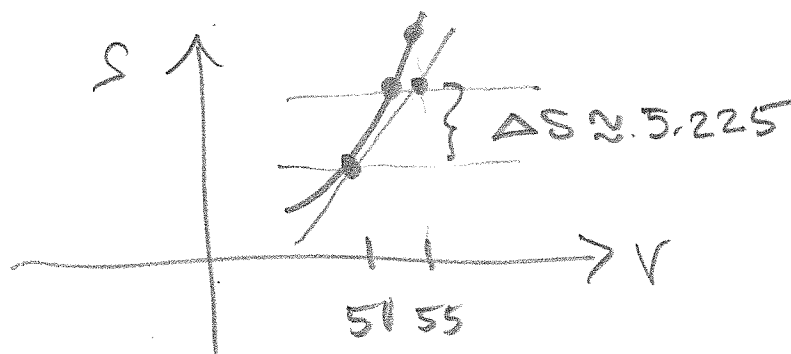
$$S'(100) = 0.245 + 1.600 = 1.845$$

For each km/hr above 100 km/hr, braking distance  
increases 1.845 metres (almost 2 metres!)

b)  $\Delta v = 5$  while  $S'(50) \approx 1.045$

$$S'(50) \cdot \Delta v =$$

Expect :  $\Delta S \approx 5.225$  metres. extra stopping distance



(\*) m/km/hv hours  
which seems strange  
but is correct.

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$$y = \frac{1}{\cos x} + \frac{1}{\cot x} ; x \in (-\pi/4, \pi/4)$$

$$y' = \frac{\cos x \cdot 0 - 1 \cdot (-\sin x)}{\cos^2 x} + \frac{\cot x \cdot 0 - 1 \cdot (-\csc^2 x)}{\cot^2 x}$$

↓  
quotient, trig

$$= \frac{\sin x}{\cos^2 x} + \frac{\csc^2 x}{\cot^2 x}$$

$$\text{At } x = \pi/6: \sin = 1/2, \cos = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \csc x = \frac{1}{\sin x} = 2$$
$$\cot x = \sqrt{3}/2 / \frac{1}{2} = \sqrt{3}$$

$$y'(\pi/6) = \frac{1/2}{3/4} + \frac{4}{3} = \frac{2}{3} + \frac{4}{3} = \frac{6}{3} = \boxed{2}$$

Alternate :  $y(x) = \sec x + \tan x$

$$y'(x) = \sec x \tan x + \sec^2 x$$

$$\sec(\pi/6) = 2/\sqrt{3} ; \tan x = 1/2 / (\sqrt{3}/2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\Rightarrow y'(\pi/6) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} + \left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^2 = \frac{6}{3} = \boxed{2} \checkmark$$

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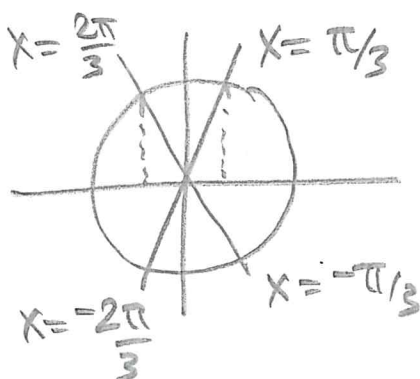
a)  $y = \tan x$  ;  $y' = \sec^2 x$   $(-\pi, \pi) \ni x$

Want  $y'(x) = 4$  :  $\sec^2 x = 4$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{\cos^2 x} = 4$$

$$\cos^2 x = \frac{1}{4} \quad x \in (-\pi, \pi)$$

$$\cos x = \pm \frac{1}{2} \quad x \in (-\pi, \pi)$$



$$x = \pm \frac{\pi}{3}, \pm \frac{2\pi}{3} \quad (4 \text{ pts})$$

