

Differentiating

$\frac{dy}{dx}$ (Trigonometric Functions)

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\sin x) = \cos x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\cos x) = -\sin x$$

} Prove using first principles and small angle approximations.

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\tan x) = \sec^2 x \quad \text{Prove by Quotient Rule and } \tan x = \frac{\sin x}{\cos x}$$

Proof of $\frac{d}{dx}(\sin x) = \cos x$

$$f(x) = \sin(x)$$

$$f'(x) = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+\delta) - f(x)}{\delta} = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(x+\delta) - \sin(x)}{\delta}$$

$$= \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x \cos \delta + \cos x \sin \delta - \sin x}{\delta}$$

$$= \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \left(\sin x \left(\frac{\cos \delta - 1}{\delta} \right) + \cos x \left(\frac{\sin \delta}{\delta} \right) \right) = \sin x \cdot \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\cos \delta - 1}{\delta} \right) + \cos x \cdot \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\sin \delta}{\delta} \right)$$

$$\because \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \sin \delta \approx \delta, \quad \therefore \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \delta}{\delta} \approx \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta}{\delta} = 1$$

$$\because \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \cos \delta \approx 1 - \frac{\delta^2}{2}, \quad \therefore \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\cos \delta - 1}{\delta} \right) \approx \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \frac{\delta^2}{2} - 1}{\delta} = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \left(-\frac{\delta}{2} \right) = 0$$

} Small Angle Approximations

$$\therefore f'(x) = \sin x \cdot 0 + \cos x \cdot 1 = \cos x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\sin(ax)) = a \cos(ax) \quad (\text{Chain rule})$$

This applies for all 3 trigonometric functions.

Other Trig Functions : Differentiated

$$\frac{dy}{dx}(\sec x) = \sec x \tan x$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx}(\operatorname{cosec} x) = -\operatorname{cosec} x \cot x$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx}(\cot x) = -\operatorname{cosec}^2 x$$

Differentiating

$\frac{dy}{dx}$ (Exponential Functions)

$$\frac{d}{dx}(e^x) = e^x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(e^{ax}) = ae^{ax}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\ln x) = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\ln(ax)) = \frac{a}{ax}$$

} From chain rule

Differentiating (Chain Rule)

$\frac{dy}{dx}$ (Composite Functions)

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

Example: $y = e^{3x}$ $u = 3x$
 $= e^u$

ie. let $u = g(x)$

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

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{dy}{du} \cdot \frac{du}{dx} \\ &= \frac{d}{du}(e^u) \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(3x) \\ &= e^u \cdot 3 = 3e^u = 3e^{3x}\end{aligned}$$

Differentiating (Product Rule)

$\frac{dy}{dx}$ (Product of Functions)

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

Example: $f(x) = \sin x$ $g(x) = \cos x$

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

$$= \cos x \cdot \cos x + \sin x \cdot (-\sin x) = \cos^2 x - \sin^2 x$$

Quotient Rule

$$\frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{f(x)}{g(x)}\right) = \frac{f'(x) \cdot g(x) - f(x) \cdot g'(x)}{(g(x))^2}$$

minus, not plus.

Example: $\frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{3x}{2x+1}\right) = \frac{\frac{d}{dx}(3x) \cdot (2x+1) - 3x \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(2x+1)}{4x^2+4x+1}$

$$= \frac{(6x+3) - (6x)}{4x^2+4x+1} = \frac{3}{4x^2+4x+1}$$

Sometimes it's better to simplify the fraction instead of using this rule.

e.g. $\frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{x}}\right) = \frac{d}{dx}(\sqrt{x})$

Parametric Differentiation

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

These cancel out!

$$\begin{cases} x = \cos t \\ y = \sin t \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -\sin t \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = \cos t$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{dy}{dt} \cdot \frac{dt}{dx} = \cos t \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{\sin t}\right) \\ &= -\frac{\cos t}{\sin t} = -\cot(t) \end{aligned}$$

Implicit Differentiation

If we can't rearrange something into the form $y = f(x)$,
use implicit differentiation!

Example: eqn of circle

$$x^2 + y^2 = 16 \quad \leftarrow \text{since } y \text{ is a function of } x,$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(x^2 + y^2) = \frac{d}{dx}(16) \quad \text{we can apply the chain rule!}$$

$$2x + 2y \frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \quad \left(\text{e.g. } y^2 \rightarrow 2y \frac{dy}{dx} \right) \quad \text{Derivative of "inside function" (ie } y \text{)}$$

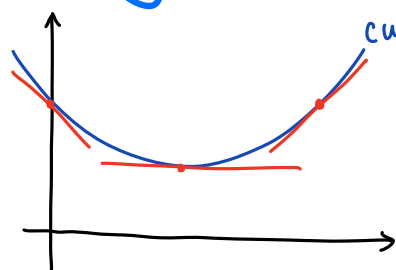
$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= -\frac{2x}{2y} \\ &= -\frac{x}{y} \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Solve for} \\ \frac{dy}{dx} \end{array} \right\}$$

Derivative of
"outside function" (ie $x^2 \rightarrow 2x$)

$$\text{In general: } y^n \rightarrow ny^{n-1} \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$f(x) \cdot h(y) = \overbrace{f'(x)h(y)}^{\text{Product Rule}} + \underbrace{f(x)h'(y)}_{\text{Chain Rule}} \frac{dy}{dx}$$

Using 2nd Derivatives

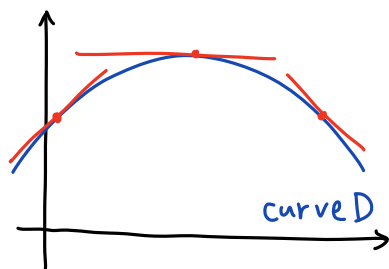


curve C

curve C is convex within an interval

$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} > 0$ for values of x within this interval

The slope of the tangents are increasing



curve D

curve D is concave within an interval

$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} < 0$ for values of x within this interval

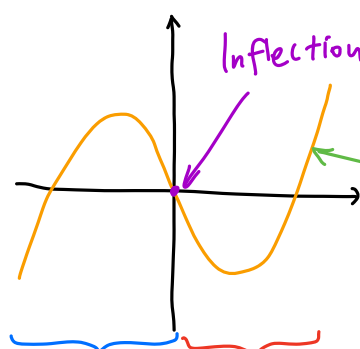
The slope of the tangents are decreasing

"Curvature" of a graph/function

Points of Inflection

When $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ changes sign (curvature changes sign)

e.g.

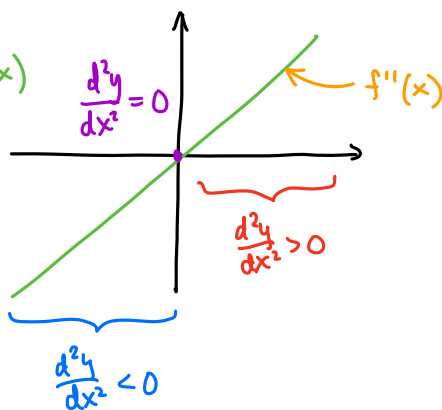


Inflection point ($\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 0$)

$f(x)$

convex
($\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} < 0$)

concave
($\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} > 0$)



$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 0$

$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} > 0$

$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} < 0$



$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 0$ ALONE is INSUFFICIENT EVIDENCE
of an inflection point!

(The CHANGE IN SIGN is crucial!)