

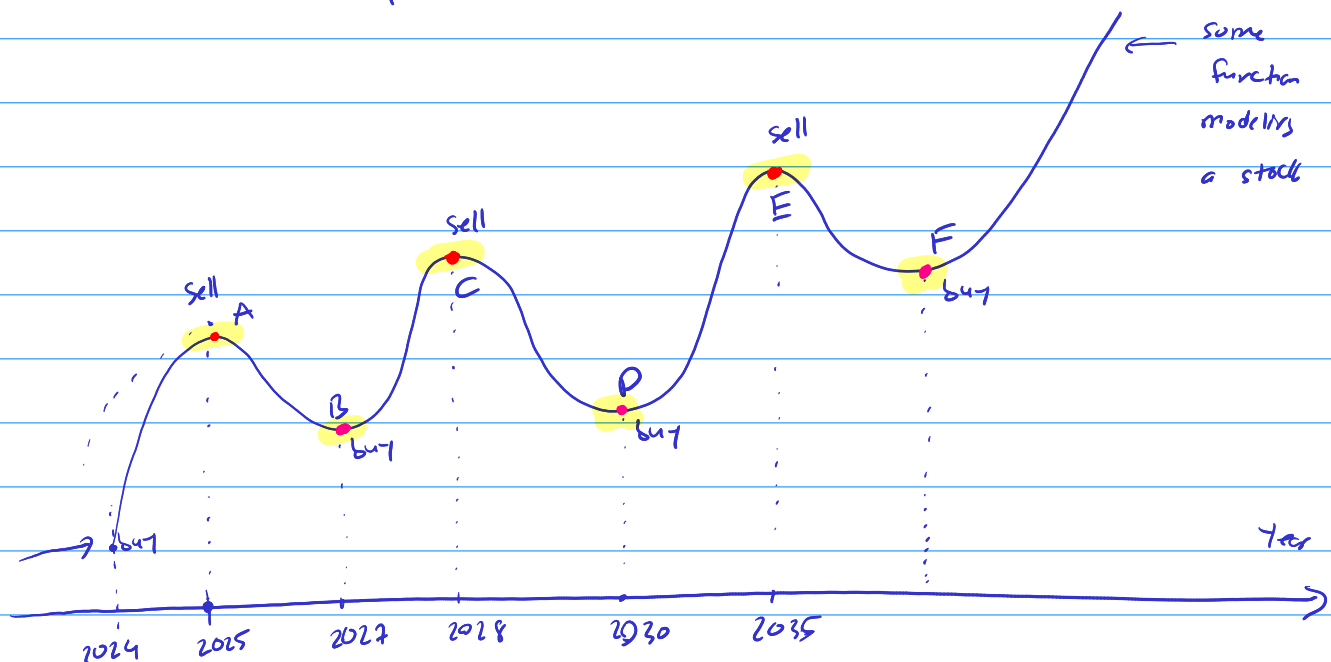
we can use function to model data / real-world issues

why we want to do that?

The benefit is: — Make future predictions / estimation

use Derivatives
to solve it

— Find some optimal value of the function. For example: Find the number of items that a company should produce to maximize their profit.



A, B, C, D, E, F are called local extrema of the function.

we can use "Derivatives" to find these points for a given function

Points A, C, E : local max where the 1st derivatives are zeros
and 2nd derivatives are negative

Points B, D, F : local min 1st derivative are zeros and
2nd ————— are positive.

Derivatives

we will cover the following functions:

- polynomial f.
- Rational f.
- Exponential f.
- logarithmic f.

Rule 1 (power rule)

The derivative of $f(x)$ is denoted by $f'(x)$

$$f(x) = x^n$$

$$\Rightarrow f'(x) = n \cdot x^{n-1}$$

Example: Find $f'(x)$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad f(x) = x^4 \Rightarrow f'(x) = 4 \cdot x^{4-1} = 4x^3$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad f(x) = x^{2024} \Rightarrow f'(x) = 2024 \cdot x^{2024-1} = 2024 \cdot x^{2023}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad f(x) = x^1 = x^1 \Rightarrow f'(x) = 1 \cdot x^{1-1} = x^0 = 1$$
$$\Rightarrow f'(x) = 1$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad f(x) = \sqrt{x} = x^{1/2}$$
$$\Rightarrow f'(x) = \frac{1}{2} x^{1/2-1} = \frac{1}{2} x^{-1/2}$$

$$(5) \quad f(x) = \sqrt[3]{x} = x^{1/3}$$

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

In general: $f(x) = \sqrt[n]{x} = x^{1/n}$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{n} \cdot x^{1/n-1}$$

Assignment 12

Find $f'(x)$

$$(1) \quad f(x) = x^{1000}$$

$$(5) \quad f(x) = \sqrt[4]{x}$$

$$(2) \quad f(x) = x^3$$

$$(6) \quad f(x) = \sqrt[5]{x}$$

$$(3) \quad f(x) = x^7$$

$$(7) \quad f(x) = x^{2/3}$$

$$(4) \quad f(x) = x$$

$$(8) \quad f(x) = x^{7/3}$$

Show all the work
as in the example.

$$(9) \quad f(x) = x^{-6}$$

$$(10) \quad f(x) = \frac{1}{x} \quad (\text{extra credit})$$

Do not just give the final
answer.

Example:

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

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

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

$$f'(x) = -3 \cdot x^{-3-1} = -3x^{-4} \quad \square$$

$$= -\frac{3}{x^4}$$

$$(3) \quad f(x) = \frac{1}{x^{2024}} = x^{-2024}$$

$$f'(x) = -2024 \cdot x^{-2024-1}$$

$$= -2024 x^{-2025} = -\frac{2024}{x^{2025}}$$

$$(4) \quad f(x) = \frac{x^3}{x^9} = x^{3-9} = x^{-6}$$

$$f'(x) = -6 \cdot x^{-6-1} = -6x^{-7} = -\frac{6}{x^7}$$

$$(5) \quad f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} = \frac{1}{x^{1/2}} = x^{-1/2}$$

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

Rule 2: Scalar Rule

$$[k \cdot f(x)]' = k \cdot f'(x)$$

↑
scalar

Rule 3: Addition Rule

$$[f(x) + g(x)]' = f'(x) + g'(x)$$

$$[f(x) - g(x)]' = f'(x) - g'(x)$$

Rule 4: constant rule

$$(c)' = 0$$

Example: $(2019)' = 0$

Example: Find $f'(x)$

① $f(x) = 9 \cdot x^6$

↑
scalar

$$[9 + x^6]$$

↑
not a scalar

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= (9 \cdot x^6)' = 9 (x^6)' = 9 \cdot 6 \cdot x^{6-1} \\ &= 54 \cdot x^5 \end{aligned}$$

scalar
↓

$$(2) \quad f(x) = 7 \cdot x^3$$

$$f'(x) = (7x^3)' = 7(x^3)' = 7 \cdot 3x^{3-1} = 21x^2$$

addition
↖ ↗

$$(3) \quad f(x) = 7 + x^3$$

$$f'(x) = (7 + x^3)'$$

$$f'(x) = (7)' + (x^3)' = 0 + 3x^{3-1} = 3x^2$$

↑ ↑ ↑

$$(4) \quad f(x) = 6x^3 + 5x^2 - 7x + 2024$$

$$f'(x) = (6x^3 + 5x^2 - 7x + 2024)'$$

$$= \underbrace{(6x^3)'} + \underbrace{(5x^2)'} - \underbrace{(7x)'} + (2024)'$$

$$= 6 \cdot 3 \cdot x^{3-1} + 5 \cdot 2 \cdot x^{2-1} - 7 + 0$$

$$= \boxed{18x^2 + 10x - 7}$$

Show all the work
as in the example.

Assignment 13

Find $f'(x)$

Do not just give the final
answer.

$$\textcircled{1} \quad f(x) = \frac{1}{x^7}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad f(x) = \frac{x^6}{x^{10}}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad f(x) = \frac{x^6}{\sqrt{x}}$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad f(x) = 7x^3$$

$$\textcircled{5} \quad f(x) = 10x^9$$

$$\textcircled{6} \quad f(x) = -5x^2$$

$$\textcircled{7} \quad f(x) = 9x^6 + 6x^2 + 7$$

$$\textcircled{8} \quad f(x) = 6x^3 + 4x + 9$$

$$\textcircled{9} \quad f(x) = 6\sqrt{x} + x^3$$

$$\textcircled{10} \quad f(x) = \frac{6}{x^2} - \frac{7}{x^3} + 1$$

$$\textcircled{11} \quad f(x) = \frac{7}{\sqrt{x}} + x + 1$$

$$\textcircled{12} \quad f(x) = \frac{9}{\sqrt[3]{x}} + \frac{x}{7}$$

$$\textcircled{10} \quad f(x) = 6x^{-2} - 7x^{-3} + 1$$

$$f'(x) = 6 \cdot (-2) \cdot x^{-2-1} - 7 \cdot (-3) \cdot x^{-3-1}$$

$$f'(x) = -12x^{-3} + 21x^{-4}$$

$$= \frac{-12}{x^3} + \frac{21}{x^4}$$

$$\textcircled{11} \quad f(x) = \frac{7}{\sqrt{x}} + x + 1 = 7x^{-1/2} + x + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow f'(x) = 7 \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) x^{-1/2-1} + 1 = -\frac{7}{2} x^{-3/2} + 1$$

$$= -\frac{7}{2x^{3/2}} + 1$$

$$(12) \quad f(x) = \frac{9}{\sqrt[3]{x}} + \frac{x}{7} = 9 \cdot x^{-1/3} + \frac{1}{7} \cdot x$$

$$f'(x) = 9 \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right) x^{-1/3-1} + \frac{1}{7}$$

$$= \boxed{-3 x^{-4/3} + 1/7} \leftarrow \text{it is OK to stop here!}$$

$$= -3 \frac{1}{x^{4/3}} + \frac{1}{7}$$

Rule 5: Product Rule

$$[f(x) \cdot g(x)]' = f'(x) \cdot g(x) + f(x) \cdot g'(x)$$

a product

Example: Find $f'(x)$

$$f(x) = (2x^2 + x) \cdot (4x^3 + 2x + 1)$$

a product

$$f'(x) = (2x^2 + x)' \cdot (4x^3 + 2x + 1) + (2x^2 + x) \cdot (4x^3 + 2x + 1)'$$

$$f'(x) = [(2x^2)' + (x)'] \cdot (4x^3 + 2x + 1) + (2x^2 + x) \cdot [(4x^3)' + (2x)' + (1)']$$

$$= (4x + 1)(4x^3 + 2x + 1) + (2x^2 + x)(12x^2 + 2)$$

Assignment 14 Find $f'(x)$

- ① $f(x) = (x^3 + x^2) \cdot (x^4 + x^5)$
- ② $f(x) = (2x^4 + 6x + 1) \cdot (6x^4 + 3x^2 + 2024)$
- ③ $f(x) = (\sqrt{x} + 1) \cdot (2x^3 + x + 1)$
- ④ Do #1 not using the product rule.