

Problem Set 8: Derivatives

The function $y = \frac{1}{2}x^2$

1.

a, We will apply Formula (8) with $f(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^2$, $x_0 = 3$, and $x_1 = 4$. This yields.

$$r_{\text{ave}} = \frac{f(x_1) - f(x_0)}{x_1 - x_0} = \frac{f(4) - f(3)}{4 - 3} = \frac{8 - 4,5}{1} = 3,5$$

Thus, y increases an average of 3,5 units per unit increase in x over the interval $[3, 4]$

b, We will apply Formula (9) with $f(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^2$, $x_0 = 3$. This yields.

$$\begin{aligned} r_{\text{inst}} &= \lim_{x_1 \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f(x_1) - f(x_0)}{x_1 - x_0} = \lim_{x_1 \rightarrow 3} \frac{f(x_1) - f(3)}{x_1 - 3} \\ &= \lim_{x_1 \rightarrow 3} \frac{\frac{1}{2}x_1^2 - \frac{9}{2}}{x_1 - 3} = \lim_{x_1 \rightarrow 3} \frac{x_1^2 - 9}{2(x_1 - 3)} \\ &= \lim_{x_1 \rightarrow 3} \frac{(x_1 - 3)(x_1 + 3)}{2(x_1 - 3)} = \lim_{x_1 \rightarrow 3} \frac{x_1 + 3}{2} = 3. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, a small increase in x from $x = 3$ will produce approximately a 3-fold increase in y .

c, We will apply Formula (9) with $f(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^2$, $x_0 = a$. This yields.

$$\begin{aligned} r_{\text{inst}} &= \lim_{x_1 \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x_1) - f(x_0)}{x_1 - x_0} = \lim_{x_1 \rightarrow a} \frac{\frac{1}{2}x_1^2 - \frac{1}{2}a^2}{x_1 - a} \\ &= \lim_{x_1 \rightarrow a} \frac{x_1^2 - a^2}{2(x_1 - a)} = \lim_{x_1 \rightarrow a} \frac{(x_1 - a)(x_1 + a)}{2(x_1 - a)} \\ &= \lim_{x_1 \rightarrow a} \frac{x_1 + a}{2} = \frac{2a}{2} = a. \end{aligned}$$

2 We have:

$$v_{ave} = \frac{3 \cdot (h+1)^{2.5} + 580h - 3}{10h}$$

⇒ The instantaneous velocity of the car at $t=1$ is:

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{3(h+1)^{2.5} + 580h - 3}{10h}$$

3 a, $y = \sqrt{9-4x}$

$$y' = (\sqrt{9-4x})' = \frac{(9-4x)'}{2\sqrt{9-4x}} = \frac{-4}{2\sqrt{9-4x}} = \frac{-2}{\sqrt{9-4x}}$$

b, $y = \frac{x}{x+1}$

$$y' = \left(\frac{x}{x+1} \right)' = \frac{x'(x+1) - (x+1)' \cdot x}{(x+1)^2} = \frac{(x+1) - x}{(x+1)^2} = \frac{1}{(x+1)^2}$$

4. $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 - 1, & x \leq 1 \\ k(x-1), & x > 1 \end{cases}$

a, continuous

When $x=1$ then $x^2 - 1 = 0$ and $k(x-1) = 0$

So the function is continuous for all value of k .

b, Differentiable

$$f'(x) = \begin{cases} (x^2-1)' \\ [k(x-1)]' \end{cases} \quad (\Rightarrow) \quad f'(x) = \begin{cases} 2x \\ k \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow f'(x) = \begin{cases} 2 & \text{when } x=1 \\ k & \text{when } k=2 \end{cases}$$

So the function is differentiable at $x=1$ only when $k=2$.

$$a, f(x) = x^2 \sin x$$

$$5 \Rightarrow f'(x) = (x^2 \sin x)' = (x^2)' \cdot \sin x + x^2 (\sin x)'$$

$$= 2x \cdot \sin x + x^2 \cdot \cos x$$

$$b, f(x) = \sqrt{x} + \cos^2 x$$

$$\Rightarrow f'(x) = (\sqrt{x} + \cos^2 x)' = (\sqrt{x})' + (\cos^2 x)'$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} + \left(\frac{1 + \cos 2x}{2} \right)'$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} + \frac{(1 + \cos 2x)' \cdot 2 - (1 + \cos 2x) \cdot 2'}{4}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} + \frac{-2 \sin 2x \cdot 2}{4}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} - \sin 2x$$

$$c, f(x) = \frac{2x^2 - x + 5}{3x + 2}$$

$$\Rightarrow f'(x) = \frac{(2x^2 - x + 5)' \cdot (3x + 2) - (2x^2 - x + 5) \cdot (3x + 2)'}{(3x + 2)^2}$$

$$= \frac{(4x - 1)(3x + 2) - (2x^2 - x + 5) \cdot 3}{(3x + 2)^2}$$

$$= \frac{12x^2 + 8x - 3x - 2 - 6x^2 + 3x - 15}{(3x + 2)^2}$$

$$= \frac{6x^2 + 8x - 17}{(3x + 2)^2}$$

$$d, f(x) = \frac{\tan x}{1 + x^2}$$

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

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{\cos^2 x} \cdot (1 + x^2) - \tan x \cdot 2x}{(1 + x^2)^2}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{\cos^2 x} + \frac{x^2}{\cos^2 x} - 2x \tan x}{(1 + x^2)^2} = \frac{\frac{1 + x^2}{\cos^2 x} - 2x \tan x}{(1 + x^2)^2}$$

6 We have:

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(1+h)}{h} = 5 \Rightarrow \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} f(1+h) = 0 \Rightarrow f(1) = 0$$

$$f'(1) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(1+h) - f(1)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(1+h)}{h} = 5$$

7 We have:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^3 \cdot f(x) - 24}{x-2} = 28 \Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} (x^3 \cdot f(x) - 24) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 8f(2) - 24 = 0 \Rightarrow f(2) = 3$$

$$\text{Set } g(x) = x^3 \cdot f(x), \quad 80$$

$$\rightarrow g(2) = 8 \cdot f(2)$$

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

$$\rightarrow g'(2) = 12f(2) + 8f'(2)$$

We consider:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^3 \cdot f(x) - 24}{x-2} = 28.$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{g(x) - 8f(2)}{x-2} = 28.$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{g(x) - g(2)}{x-2} = 28$$

$$\Leftrightarrow g'(2) = 28$$

$$\text{So } 12f(2) + 8f'(2) = 28$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 8f'(2) = -8 \quad \Leftrightarrow f'(2) = -1.$$

8 $y = x^3 - 9x^2 - 16x \quad (1)$

$$\Rightarrow y' = 3x^2 - 18x - 16 = M$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Equation passes through the origin: } M = \frac{y-0}{x-0} = \frac{y}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x^2 - 18x - 16 = \frac{y}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 3x^3 - 18x^2 - 16x \quad (2)$$

$$(1) \& (2) \Rightarrow x^3 - 9x^2 - 16x = 3x^3 - 18x^2 - 16x$$

$$\Rightarrow -2x^3 + 9x^2 = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x=0 \\ x=\frac{9}{2} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{+)} \text{ When } x=0 \Rightarrow y' = -16 \text{ then } y-0 = m(x-0) \Rightarrow y = -16x.$$

$$\text{+)} \text{ When } x=\frac{9}{2} \Rightarrow y' = \frac{-145}{4} \text{ then } y-0 = m(x-0) \Rightarrow y = \frac{-145}{4}x$$

$$\text{So the equations are } \begin{cases} y = -16x \\ y = \frac{-145}{4}x \end{cases}$$

$$9 \text{ +)} x + 4y = 10 \Rightarrow 4y = 10 - x$$

$$\Rightarrow y = -\frac{1}{4}x + \frac{10}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow m = -\frac{1}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow k = 4 (m \cdot k = -1)$$

$$\text{+)} y = 2x^3 \cdot x^2 \Rightarrow y' = 6x^2 - 2x = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow 6x^2 - 2x - 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} x=1 \\ x=\frac{-2}{3} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} y=1 \\ y=\frac{-19}{27} \end{cases}$$

$$10 \quad f(1) = 1, g(1) = -2, f'(1) = 3, g'(1) = -1.$$

$$a, \frac{d}{dx} [f(x) \cdot g(x)] \Big|_{x=1}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow m'(1) = f'(1) \cdot g(1) + f(1) \cdot g'(1) = 3 \cdot (-2) + 1 \cdot (-1) = -7.$$

$$b, \frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \right] \Big|_{x=1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{f'(x) \cdot g(x) - f(x) \cdot g'(x)}{g^2(x)} = m'(x)$$

$$m'(1) = \frac{f'(1) \cdot g(1) - f(1) \cdot g'(1)}{g^2(1)} = \frac{3 \cdot (-2) - 1 \cdot (-1)}{(-2)^2} = \frac{-5}{4}$$

$$c, \frac{d}{dx} \left[\sqrt{f(x)} \right] \Big|_{x=1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{f'(x)}{2\sqrt{x}} = m'(x)$$

$$m'(1) = \frac{f'(1)}{2\sqrt{1}} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$d, \frac{d}{dx} [f(1) \cdot g'(1)]$$

$$\Rightarrow m'(1) = f'(1) \cdot g'(1) + f(1) \cdot g''(1)$$

$$= 3 \cdot (-1) + 1 \cdot 0 = -3$$

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$$a, f(x) = x^8 - 3\sqrt{x} + 5x^{-3}$$

$$\rightarrow f'(x) = 8x^7 - \frac{3}{2\sqrt{x}} + (-15)x^{-4}$$

$$b, f(x) = (2x+1)^{101} (5x^2-7)$$

$$\rightarrow f'(x) = [(2x+1)^{101}]' \cdot (5x^2-7) + (2x+1)^{101} \cdot (5x^2-7)'$$

$$= 101 \cdot (2x+1)^{100} \cdot (5x^2-7) + (2x+1)^{101} \cdot 10x$$

$$c, f(x) = \sin x + 2\cos^3 x$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = \sin x + 2 \cdot \frac{3\cos x + \cos 3x}{4}$$

$$\rightarrow f'(x) = \cos x + 2 \cdot \frac{(3\cos x + \cos 3x)' \cdot 4}{16} + (3\cos x + \cos 3x) \cdot \frac{4'}{16}$$

$$= \cos x + 2 \cdot \frac{(-3\sin x - 3\sin 3x) \cdot 4}{16}$$

$$= \cos x + \frac{-3\sin x - 3\sin 3x}{2}$$

$$d) f(x) = (1 + \sec x) (x^2 - \tan x)$$

$$\rightarrow f'(x) = (1 + \sec x)' \cdot (x^2 - \tan x) + (1 + \sec x) \cdot (x^2 - \tan x)'$$

$$= (\sec x \cdot \tan x) \cdot (x^2 - \tan x) + (1 + \sec x) \cdot (2x - \sec^2 x)$$

$$e) f(x) = \sqrt{3x+1} (x-1)^2$$

$$\rightarrow f'(x) = (\sqrt{3x+1})' \cdot (x-1)^2 + \sqrt{3x+1} [(x-1)^2]'$$

$$= \frac{(3x+1)^2}{2\sqrt{3x+1}} \cdot (x-1)^2 + \sqrt{3x+1} \cdot 2(x-1)$$

$$= \frac{3}{2\sqrt{3x+1}} \cdot (x-1)^2 + 2\sqrt{3x+1} \cdot (x-1)$$

$$f) f(x) = \left(\frac{3x+1}{x^2} \right)^3$$

$$\rightarrow f'(x) = 3 \cdot \left(\frac{3x+1}{x^2} \right)^2 \cdot \left(\frac{3x+1}{x^2} \right)'$$

$$= 3 \cdot \left(\frac{3x+1}{x^2} \right)^2 \cdot \frac{(3x+1)' \cdot x^2 - (3x+1) \cdot (x^2)'}{x^4}$$

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

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

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

$$g) f(x) = \frac{1}{2x + \sin^3 x}$$

$$\rightarrow f'(x) = \frac{1' \cdot (2x + \sin^3 x) - 1 \cdot (2x + \sin^3 x)'}{(2x + \sin^3 x)^2}$$

$$= \frac{-(2 + 3 \sin^2 x \cdot \cos x)}{(2x + \sin^3 x)^2}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 a, f(x) &= (2x+7)^6 \cdot (x-2)^5 \\
 \rightarrow f'(x) &= [(2x+7)^6]' \cdot (x-2)^5 + (2x+7)^6 \cdot [(x-2)^5]' \\
 &= 6(2x+7)^5 \cdot 2 \cdot (x-2)^5 + (2x+7)^6 \cdot 5(x-2)^4 \\
 &= (2x+7)^5 \cdot (x-2)^4 \cdot [12(x-2) + 5(2x+7)] \\
 &= (2x+7)^5 \cdot (x-2)^4 \cdot (22x+11)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$+ f'(x) = 0 \Leftrightarrow (2x+7)^5 \cdot (x-2)^4 \cdot (22x+11) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} 2x+7=0 \\ x-2=0 \\ 22x+11=0 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} x = -7/2 \\ x = 2 \\ x = -1/2 \end{cases}$$

$$b, f(x) = \frac{(x-3)^4}{x^2+2x} \quad (x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0; -2\})$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \rightarrow f'(x) &= \frac{[(x-3)^4]' \cdot (x^2+2x) - (x-3)^4 \cdot (x^2+2x)'}{(x^2+2x)^2} \\
 &= \frac{4(x-3)^3 \cdot (x^2+2x) - (x-3)^4 \cdot (2x+2)}{(x^2+2x)^2} \\
 &= \frac{(x-3)^3 \cdot [4(x^2+2x) - (x-3) \cdot (2x+2)]}{(x^2+2x)^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$+ f'(x) = 0 \Leftrightarrow (x-3)^3 \cdot [4(x^2+2x) - (x-3)(2x+2)] = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (x-3)^3 \cdot [4x^2 + 8x - 2x^2 - 2x + 6x + 6] = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (x-3)^3 \cdot 8(2x^2 + 12x + 6) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} x-3=0 \\ 2x^2+12x+6=0 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} x=3 \\ x = -3 \pm \sqrt{6} \end{cases}$$

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$$+) y = 3x + \tan x$$

$$\rightarrow y' = 3 - \sec^2 x \quad (1)$$

$$+) y - 2 = x \rightarrow y = x + 2$$

$$\rightarrow y' = 1 \quad (2)$$

$$+) (1) \& (2) \Rightarrow 3 - \sec^2 x = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \sec^2 x = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\cos^2 x} = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos^2 x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos x = \pm \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \pm \frac{\pi}{4} + k\pi \quad (k \in \mathbb{Z})$$

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$$f(x) = M \sin x + N \cos x$$

$$+) f\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = 3 \Rightarrow M \sin \frac{\pi}{4} + N \cos \frac{\pi}{4} = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} M + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} N = 3 \quad (1)$$

$$+) f'(x) = M \cos x - N \sin x$$

$$\rightarrow f'\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = 1 \Rightarrow M \cos \frac{\pi}{4} - N \sin \frac{\pi}{4} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} M - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} N = 1 \quad (2)$$

$$(1) \& (2) \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} M + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} N = 3 \\ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} M - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} N = 1 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} M = 2\sqrt{2} \\ N = \sqrt{2} \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = 2\sqrt{2} \sin x + \sqrt{2} \cos x$$

$$f'(x) = 2\sqrt{2} \cos x - \sqrt{2} \sin x$$

$$+) f\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = 2\sqrt{2} \sin \frac{\pi}{4} + \sqrt{2} \cos \frac{\pi}{4} = -3$$

$$+) f'\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = 2\sqrt{2} \cos \frac{\pi}{4} - \sqrt{2} \sin \frac{\pi}{4} = 1$$

Equation for the tangent line to $y = f(x)$ at $x = \frac{3\pi}{4}$ is $y = -3\left(x - \frac{3\pi}{4}\right) + 1$.

16. $f(x) = M \tan x + N \sec x$

$\rightarrow f'(x) = M \sec^2 x + N \sec x \cdot \tan x$

$\bullet f\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = 2 \Rightarrow M \tan \frac{\pi}{4} + N \sec \frac{\pi}{4} = 2$

$\Rightarrow M + \sqrt{2}N = 2 \quad (1)$

$\bullet f'\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = 0 \Rightarrow M \sec^2 x + N \sec x \cdot \tan x = 0$

$\Rightarrow 2M + \sqrt{2}N = 0 \quad (2)$

$\bullet (1) \& (2) \Rightarrow \begin{cases} M + \sqrt{2}N = 2 \\ 2M + \sqrt{2}N = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} M = -2 \\ N = 2\sqrt{2} \end{cases}$

$\Rightarrow f(x) = -2 \tan x + N \sec x \Rightarrow f(0) = -2$

$f'(x) = -2 \sec^2 x + N \sec x \cdot \tan x \Rightarrow f'(0) = 2\sqrt{2}$

Equation for the tangent line $y = f(x)$ at $x=0$ is $y = -2(x-0) + 2\sqrt{2} = -2x + 2\sqrt{2}$.

17 $f'(x) = 2x \cdot f(x)$

$\Rightarrow \frac{f'(x)}{f(x)} = 2x$

$\Rightarrow \int \frac{f'(x)}{f(x)} = \int 2x$

$\Rightarrow \ln f(x) = x^2 + c$

$\Rightarrow f(x) = e^{x^2+c} = C \cdot e^{x^2}$

$\Rightarrow f(2) = 5 \Rightarrow f(x) = C \cdot e^{x^2}$

$\Rightarrow C = \frac{5}{e^4}$

$\Rightarrow f(x) = \frac{5}{e^4} \cdot e^{x^2} = 5 \cdot e^{x^2-4}$

$$a, g(x) = f(\sec x) = 5 \cdot e^{\sec^2 x - 4}$$

$$\Rightarrow g'(x) = 5 \cdot e^{\sec^2 x - 4} \cdot (\sec^2 x - 4)'$$

$$= 5 \cdot e^{\sec^2 x - 4} \cdot 2 \sec^2 x \cdot \tan x$$

$$= 10 e^{\sec^2 x - 4} \cdot \sec^2 x \cdot \tan x.$$

$$g'\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) = 10 \cdot e^{\sec^2 \frac{\pi}{3} - 4} \cdot \sec^2 \frac{\pi}{3} \cdot \tan \frac{\pi}{3} = 40\sqrt{3}.$$

$$b, h(x) = \left[\frac{f(x)}{x-1} \right]^4$$

$$\Rightarrow h' = 4 \cdot \left[\frac{f(x)}{x-1} \right]^3 \cdot \left[\frac{f(x)}{x-1} \right]'$$

$$= 4 \cdot \left[\frac{5e^{x^2-4}}{x-1} \right]^3 \cdot \left[\frac{5e^{x^2-4}}{x-1} \right]'$$

$$= 4 \cdot \left[\frac{5e^{x^2-4}}{x-1} \right]^3 \cdot \frac{(5e^{x^2})' \cdot (x-1) - 5e^{x^2-4} \cdot (x-1)'}{(x-1)^2}$$

$$= 4 \cdot \left[\frac{5e^{x^2-4}}{x-1} \right]^3 \cdot \frac{5e^{x^2} \cdot 2x \cdot (x-1) - 5e^{x^2-4}}{(x-1)^2}$$

$$= 4 \cdot \left[\frac{5e^{x^2-4}}{x-1} \right]^3 \cdot \frac{5e^{x^2-4} \cdot [2x(x-1) - 1]}{(x-1)^2}$$

$$= 4 \cdot \left[\frac{5e^{x^2-4}}{x-1} \right]^3 \cdot \frac{5e^{x^2-4} \cdot (2x^2 - 2x - 1)}{(x-1)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow h'(2) = 4 \cdot \left(\frac{5e^0}{1} \right)^3 \cdot \frac{5e^0 \cdot (4^2 - 4 - 1)}{1^2}$$

$$= 4 \cdot 5^3 \cdot 5 \cdot 11 = 27500.$$