

$$f(x) = \frac{9}{8x^2}, \text{ find } f'(x) \quad \text{HW Problem}$$

$$f'(x) = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{9}{8(x+\Delta x)^2} - \frac{9}{8x^2}}{\Delta x}$$

$$= \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{72x^2 - 9 \cdot 8(x+\Delta x)^2}{64x^2(x+\Delta x)^2}$$

$$\frac{9}{8} x^{-2}$$

$$-\frac{18}{8} x^{-3}$$

$$= \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\boxed{72x^2 - 72(x^2 + 2x\Delta x + (\Delta x)^2)} + 2x\Delta x + (\Delta x)^2}{64x^2(x+\Delta x)^2} \cdot \frac{1}{\Delta x}$$

$$= \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-72(2x\Delta x) - 72(\Delta x)^2}{64x^2(x+\Delta x)^2} \cdot \frac{1}{\Delta x}$$

$$= \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-72(2)x - 72\Delta x}{64x^2(x+\Delta x)^2} = \frac{-144x}{64x^4} = \frac{-144}{64x^3}$$

$$= \boxed{-\frac{9}{8} \cdot \frac{2}{x^3}} = \frac{-18}{8x^3}$$

Lecture 6 Basic Derivative Rules

Goal Compute derivatives w/o relying on def

Derivative of Polynomials

Function	Degree	Derivative
Constant	0	0
x	1	$1 = 1 \cdot x^0 = 1 \cdot x^{1-1}$
x^2	2	$2x = 2 \cdot x^{2-1}$
x^3	3	$3x^2 = 3 \cdot x^{3-1}$
x^4	4	$4x^3 = 4 \cdot x^{4-1}$

$$F(x) = C$$
$$F'(x) = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{C - C}{\Delta x} = 0$$

$$F(x) = x$$
$$F'(x) = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x + \Delta x - x}{\Delta x} = 1$$

Theorem (Power Rule) Let p be any real number. Then

$$\frac{d}{dx} (x^p) = p \cdot x^{p-1} = p x^{p-1}$$

Proof Postpone to Lecture 11 (Note: $x^p = e^{p \ln(x)}$)

Ex/ Compute

$$\textcircled{1} \frac{d}{dx} (x^{10}) = 10 \cdot x^{10-1} = 10x^9$$

$$\textcircled{2} \frac{d}{dx} (x^{-2}) = \frac{d}{dx} (x^{p=-2}) = -2 \cdot x^{-2-1} = -2x^{-3} = \frac{-2}{x^3}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \frac{d}{dx} (\sqrt[3]{x}) = \frac{d}{dx} (x^{\frac{1}{3}}) = \frac{1}{3} x^{\frac{1}{3}-1} = \frac{1}{3} \cdot x^{-\frac{2}{3}} = \frac{1}{3 x^{2/3}}$$
$$= \frac{1}{3 \sqrt[3]{x^2}}$$

Q: How can we differentiate a function like

$$x^2 - 2x + 3 \quad ?$$

Theorem (Linearity) Let f and g be differentiable functions:

① $\frac{d}{dx}(f(x) \pm g(x)) = \frac{d}{dx}(f(x)) \pm \frac{d}{dx}(g(x))$ [Sum/Difference Rule]

② For a constant c , $\frac{d}{dx}(c \cdot f(x)) = c \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(f(x))$ [Constant Multiple Rule]

Ex/ What's $\frac{d}{dx}(x^2 - 2x + 3)$?

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dx}(x^2 - 2x + 3) &= \frac{d}{dx}(x^2) - \frac{d}{dx}(2x) + \frac{d}{dx}(3) \\ &= \frac{d}{dx}(x^2) - 2 \frac{d}{dx}(x) + \frac{d}{dx}(3) \\ &= 2x - 2 \cdot 1 + 0 = \boxed{2x - 2}\end{aligned}$$

Ex/ $\frac{d}{dx}\left[\frac{(2x)^\pi}{\sqrt{x}}\right] = \frac{d}{dx}\left[\frac{2^\pi \cdot x^\pi}{x^{\frac{1}{2}}}\right] = \frac{d}{dx}\left[2^\pi \cdot x^{\pi - \frac{1}{2}}\right]$

$$\begin{aligned}&= 2^\pi \frac{d}{dx}\left[x^{\pi - \frac{1}{2}}\right] = 2^\pi \cdot \left(\pi - \frac{1}{2}\right) x^{\pi - \frac{1}{2} - 1} \\ &= \boxed{2^\pi \left(\pi - \frac{1}{2}\right) x^{\pi - \frac{3}{2}}}\end{aligned}$$

Derivatives of Sine and Cosine

Theorem

① $\frac{d}{dx}(\sin x) = \cos x$

② $\frac{d}{dx}(\cos x) = \boxed{-}\sin x$ Negative sign. Don't forget it

Proof ① See Textbook

② $\frac{d}{dx}(\cos x) = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos(x + \Delta x) - \cos x}{\Delta x}$ [Recall $\cos(a \pm b) = \cos a \cos b \mp \sin a \sin b$]

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

$$= \cos x \underbrace{\left[\lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos \Delta x - 1}{\Delta x} \right]}_0 - \sin x \underbrace{\left[\lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \Delta x}{\Delta x} \right]}_1 = -\sin x$$

Ex/ Find y' if $y = 2\sin x - 5\cos x$

$$y' = (2\sin x - 5\cos x)' = 2(\sin x)' - 5(\cos x)' = 2\cos x - 5(-\sin x) \\ = 2\cos x + 5\sin x$$

Ex/ Find the equation of the tangent line for $f(x) = 3\sin x$ at $x = \pi$

$$\text{Slope: } f'(\pi). \quad f'(x) = (3\sin x)' = 3(\sin x)' = 3\cos x \\ f'(\pi) = 3\cos \pi = -3$$

$$\text{Point: } (\pi, f(\pi)) = (\pi, 3\sin \pi) = (\pi, 0)$$

$$\text{Equation: } y - 0 = -3(x - \pi) \\ y = -3x + 3\pi$$

Ex/ Compute y' if $y = 2\cos x + 5\sin x$

$$y' = 2(\cos x)' + 5(\sin x)' = -2\sin x + 5\cos x \\ = (-1)(\underbrace{2\sin x - 5\cos x})$$

Starting point in the ex. 2 ex.s ago

Derivative of e^x

$$\frac{d}{dx}(e^x) = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{x+\Delta x} - e^x}{\Delta x} = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x e^{\Delta x} - e^x}{\Delta x} = e^x \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \underbrace{\frac{e^{\Delta x} - 1}{\Delta x}}_1 \\ = e^x$$

$\leftarrow e^a e^b = e^{a+b}$

Theorem $y = e^x$ is the only function that satisfies the following Initial Value Problem (IVP)

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dy}{dx} = y \leftarrow \boxed{\frac{d}{dx}(e^x) = e^x} \\ y(0) = 1 \leftarrow e^0 = 1 \end{cases}$$

Ex/ What's $y'(0)$ if $y = 5e^x + 7$

$$y' = 5[e^x]' + [7]' = 5e^x$$

$$y'(0) = 5 \cdot e^0 = 5 \cdot 1 = 5$$

Ex/ When does $y' = 1$ if $y = 72e^x$

$$y' = 72[e^x]' = 72e^x \stackrel{\text{set}}{=} 1$$

$$72e^x = 1$$

$$\ln(e^x) = \ln\left(\frac{1}{72}\right)$$

$$x = \ln\left(\frac{1}{72}\right) = \ln(72^{-1})$$

$$= -\ln(72)$$

Summary: $\frac{d}{dx}(x^p) = px^{p-1}$

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

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

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