

Panel 1

Differentiation Shortcuts

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

$\frac{d}{dx}$, $\frac{df}{dx}$, $\frac{dy}{dx}$

f' is the slope of the tangent line

Power Rule $\frac{d}{dx} [x^n] = nx^{n-1}$ Ex: $\frac{d}{dx} x^3 = 3x^2$, $\frac{d}{dx} x = 1$

Sum Rule $\frac{d}{dx} (f(x) \pm g(x)) = f' \pm g'$

Constant Factor $\frac{d}{dx} (c \cdot f(x)) = c \cdot f'$

Product Rule, Quotient Rule, Chain Rule \rightarrow Maple

Panel 2

- ① $f(x) = x^8$ ✓ $f' = 8x^7$
- ② $f(x) = 3x^5 - 2x^4 + 7x + 2$ ✓ $f'(x) = 15x^4 - 8x^3 + 7$
- ③ $f(x) = 4\sqrt[3]{x^{27}} - 4\sqrt{x^{27}} = 4x^9 - 4x^{13.5}$, $f'(x) = 4 \cdot 9x^8 - 4 \cdot 13.5x^{12.5}$
- ④ $f(x) = \pi x + e^{x^3}$ $f' = \pi + e^{x^3} \cdot 3x^2$
- ⑤ $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2} - x^3 = x^{-2} - x^3 \rightarrow f'(x) = -2x^{-3} - 3x^2 = -2x^{-3} - 3x^2$
- ⑥ $f(x) = \frac{5}{3} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{x^4}} + \frac{\pi^2}{e} = \frac{5}{3} x^{-4/3} + \frac{\pi^2}{e}$, $f'(x) = \frac{5}{3} \left(-\frac{4}{3}\right) x^{-7/3} + 0$
- ⑦ $f(x) = x^2(3x^2 - 5x - 1)$ ✓
- ⑧ slope of tangent to $y = 2x^3 - 3x$ when $x = 2$ ✓

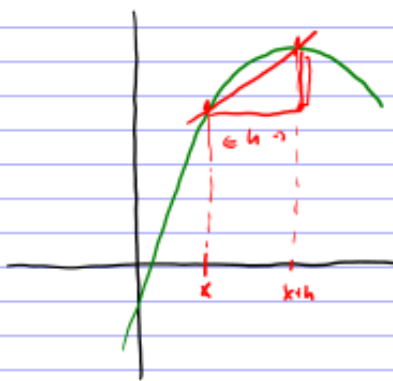
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$$\underline{\text{Ex:}} \quad f(x) = x^4(3x^2 - 2x + 1)$$

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Panel 4

Why study Derivatives?



$$\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \frac{\text{change in } y}{\text{change in } x}$$

= avg. rate of change

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \text{instantaneous rate of change} = f'(x)$$

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Panel 5

Ex: Suppose the position function of an object is given by $f(t) = 3t^2 + 5$, t a time in sec

a) Find avg. rate of change over $[2, 3]$

$$f(2) = 17^m, f(3) = 32^m \Rightarrow \frac{f(3) - f(2)}{3 - 2} = \frac{32 - 17}{1} = 15$$

i.e. avg. velocity is 15 m/sec

b) how fast is the car going when $t = 2$?

$$f'(t) = 6t + 0 = 6t, \text{ at } t = 2 \Rightarrow \text{inst. rate of change is } 12^m/\text{sec}$$

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Panel 6

Ex: Let $p = 100 - q^2$ be a demand function. How fast is price changing when $q = 5$?

$p'(q)$ for $q = 5$

$$p'(q) = -2q \Rightarrow p'(q=5) = -10$$

If demand is currently at 5 units, an increase of 1 unit will result in \$10 decrease in price!

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Panel 7

Ex 1 A sociologist believes that x years after the beginning of a program, $f(x)$ - thousand preschoolers will be enrolled, where

$$f(x) = \frac{10}{9} (12x - x^2) \quad , 0 \leq x \leq 12$$

Suppose the program is in existence for 9 years. How much increase in enrollment is to be expected?

$$f'(x=9)$$

$$f(x) = \frac{10}{9} \cdot 12x - \frac{10}{9} x^2 \rightarrow f'(x) = \frac{10}{9} \cdot 12 - \frac{10}{9} \cdot 2x \rightarrow f'(x=9) = \frac{120}{9} - 20 = \underline{\underline{-6.6}}$$

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Panel 8

Ex 1 Suppose revenue function is $R(q) = 9q - q^3$ and the current level of production is at $q = 2$ (thousand). Should you increase or decrease production?

Is the level of production increasing, i.e. rate of change positive?

$$R'(q) = 9 - 3q^2 \rightarrow R'(q=2) = 9 - 12 = \underline{\underline{-3}}$$

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