

For $f(x) = x^2 + 3x - 4$ compute $\frac{f(x+h)-f(x)}{h}$.

and then compute $f'(x)$

$$f(x+h) = (x+h)^2 + 3(x+h) - 4 = x^2 + 2xh + h^2 + 3x + 3h - 4$$

$$f(x) = x^2 + 3x - 4$$

$$f(x+h) - f(x) = 2xh + h^2 + 3h = h(2x + h + 3)$$

$$\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \frac{h(2x + h + 3)}{h} = 2x + h + 3$$

$$\text{Therefore } f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 2x + h + 3 = 2x + 3$$

Review from Section 1.2

Definition: A function $f(x)$ is continuous at $x = a$ if

- 1) $f(a)$ exists (that is a is in the domain of f)
- 2) $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$ exists
- 3) $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = f(a)$

The function $f(x)$ is continuous if it is continuous at every point a in its domain

Graphicly, $f(x)$ is continuous if you can draw the graph without removing pen from paper.

Example: If

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 & \text{if } x < 2 \\ x+b & \text{if } x \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

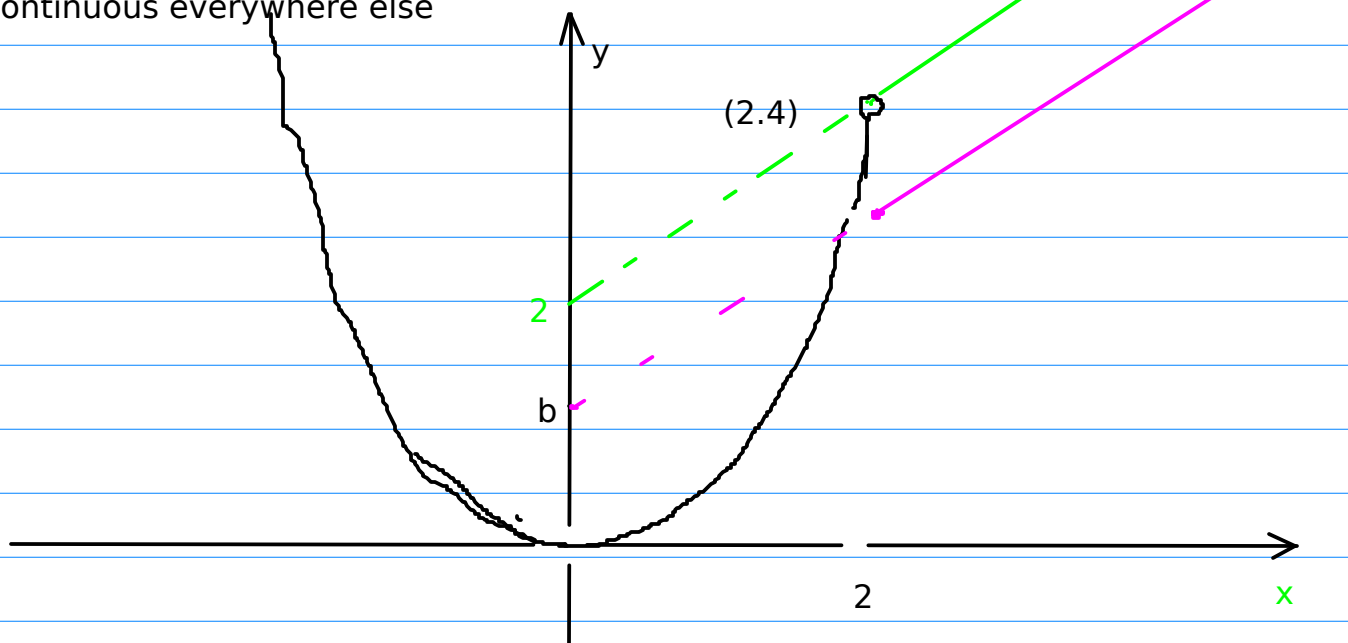
then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x) = 4 \quad (= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} x^2 = 4)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x) = 2+b = f(2)$$

For continuity at $x=2$, need $2+b=4$

So f is continuous at $x=2$ if and only if $b=2$ and it is continuous everywhere else



Recall from Wed. June 19

Power Rule $\frac{d}{dx} x^n = nx^{n-1}$

all $n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$ (and in fact all n)

Example $\frac{d}{dx} x^7 = 7x^6$ $n = 7$

Example $\frac{d}{dx} \sqrt{x} = \frac{d}{dx} x^{1/2} = \frac{1}{2} x^{-1/2} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$ $n = 1/2$

as we saw in an example in Section 1.4.

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

Theorem 3 If c is a constant $\frac{d}{dx} cf(x) = c \frac{d}{dx} f(x)$

These rules follow directly from the corresponding rules for limits.

Example; Differentiate $y = 3x^5 + 4x^2 + 2x + 11$

$$y' = 3(5x^4) + 4(2x) + 2 + 0 = 15x^4 + 8x + 2$$

$$11 = 11x^0$$

Example If $y = x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}$ then what is y' ?

$$y = x^2 + x^{-2}$$

$$y' = 2x + (-2x^{-3}) = 2x - \frac{2}{x^3}$$

Monday June 24

1.6 Differentiation Techniques: The Product and Quotient Rules.

Product Rule: If $F(x) = f(x)g(x)$ (and f and g are differentiable at x) then

$$F'(x) = \frac{d}{dx} (f(x)g(x)) = f(x) \left[\frac{d}{dx} g(x) \right] + g(x) \left[\frac{d}{dx} f(x) \right]$$

(Alternative notation: $F'(x) = f(x)g'(x) + g(x)f'(x)$.)

Example: Differentiate $(x^3 + 4x + 7)(x^2 + 5x)$ using the product rule.

$$\frac{d}{dx} (x^3 + 4x + 7)(x^2 + 5x) = (x^3 + 4x + 7)(2x + 5) + (x^2 + 5x)(3x^2 + 4)$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} x^3 + 4x + 7 = 3x^2 + 4$$

Example: Differentiate $y = x^3 \sqrt{x}$

Recall that $\frac{d}{dx} \sqrt{x} = \frac{d}{dx} x^{(1/2)} = \frac{1}{2} x^{(-1/2)}$ (power rule)

so that, by the product rule

$$\begin{aligned} y' &= x^3 \left(\frac{1}{2} x^{(-1/2)} \right) + x^{(1/2)} (3x^2) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} x^{(5/2)} + 3x^{(5/2)} = \frac{7}{2} x^{(5/2)} \end{aligned}$$

This agrees with the power rule if we observe that $x^3 \sqrt{x} = x^{7/2}$
 $= x^3 x^{(1/2)}$

Quotient Rule: If $Q(x) = \frac{N(x)}{D(x)}$ then

$$Q'(x) = \frac{D(x) N'(x) - N(x) D'(x)}{[D(x)]^2}$$

(Assuming N and D are differentiable and $D(x) \neq 0$.)

Example: Differentiate $Q(x) = \frac{7x}{x^2 - 4x + 1}$

$$Q'(x) = \frac{(x^2 - 4x + 1)7 - (7x)(2x - 4)}{[x^2 - 4x + 1]^2} = \frac{\cancel{7x^2} - \cancel{28x} + 7 - \cancel{14x^2} + \cancel{28x}}{[x^2 - 4x + 1]^2} = \frac{7 - 7x}{[x^2 - 4x + 1]^2}$$

Example: Differentiate $Q(x) = \frac{1}{x^3}$

$$Q'(x) = \frac{x^3 \cdot 0 - 1(3x^2)}{[x^3]^2} = \frac{-3x^2}{x^6} = -3 \frac{1}{x^4} = -3x^{-4}$$

Alternatively $Q(x) = x^{-3}$ Power rule says $Q' = -3x^{-4}$

Example

$$Q(x) = \frac{x^3 + 4x}{x^2 + 5}$$

$$\begin{aligned} Q'(x) &= \frac{(x^2 + 5)(3x^2 + 4) - (x^3 + 4x)(2x)}{[x^2 + 5]^2} \\ &= \frac{3x^4 + 4x^2 + 15x^2 + 20 - 2x^3 - 8x^2}{[x^2 + 5]^2} \\ &= \frac{3x^4 - 2x^3 + 11x^2 + 20}{[x^2 + 5]^2} \end{aligned}$$

1.7 Chain Rule

Extended Power Rule: $\frac{d}{dx} [f(x)]^k = k [f(x)]^{k-1} \frac{df(x)}{dx}$

Example Differentiate $y = (x^2+2)^7$ $f(x) = x^2+2$ $k=7$

$$y' = 7(x^2+2)^6 \cdot 2x = 14x(x^2+2)^6$$

Example Let $f(x) = \sqrt{4x+11} = (4x+11)^{1/2}$

Find

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2} (4x+11)^{-1/2} \cdot 4 = \frac{2(4x+11)^{-1/2}}{\sqrt{4x+11}}$$

Example: Let $g(x) = x \sqrt{4x+11}$ Find $g'(x)$.

Use the product rule.

$$g'(x) = \sqrt{4x+11} + x \frac{2}{\sqrt{4x+11}}$$

Composition of Functions: Given two functions f and g it is possible to form a new function

$$\underline{f \circ g(x)} = f(g(x))$$

For example $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$ $g(x) = 1/x$ $f(g(x)) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{x}} = 1/\sqrt{x}$

(Press the reciprocal

button and then the square root button on your calculator.)

Example: Express $F(x) = (x^3+5x)^{1/3}$ as $f(g(x))$. That is find f and g .

$$g(x) = x^3+5x \quad f(x) = x^{1/3} \quad \text{Then } F(x) = f(g(x))$$

Example If $F(x) = \frac{4}{x^2+4}$ then express $F(x)$ as $f(g(x))$

$$g(x) = x^2+4 \quad f(x) = 4/x \quad \text{then } F(x) = f(g(x))$$

Chain Rule:

$$f \circ g' = f'(g(x))g'(x)$$

$$f \circ g'(x) = f'(g(x))g'(x)$$

Example: Differentiate $F(x) = (x^3+5x)^{1/3}$ $g(x) = x^3+5x$ $f(x) = x^{1/3}$

$$F'(x) = \underline{(1/3)(x^3+5x)^{-2/3}} (3x^2+5)$$

$$f'(x) = 1/3x^{-2/3} \quad f'(g(x)) = \underline{1/3 (x^3+5x)^{-2/3}}$$

Example: Differentiate $F(x) = \frac{4}{x^2+4} = 4(x^2+4)^{-1}$

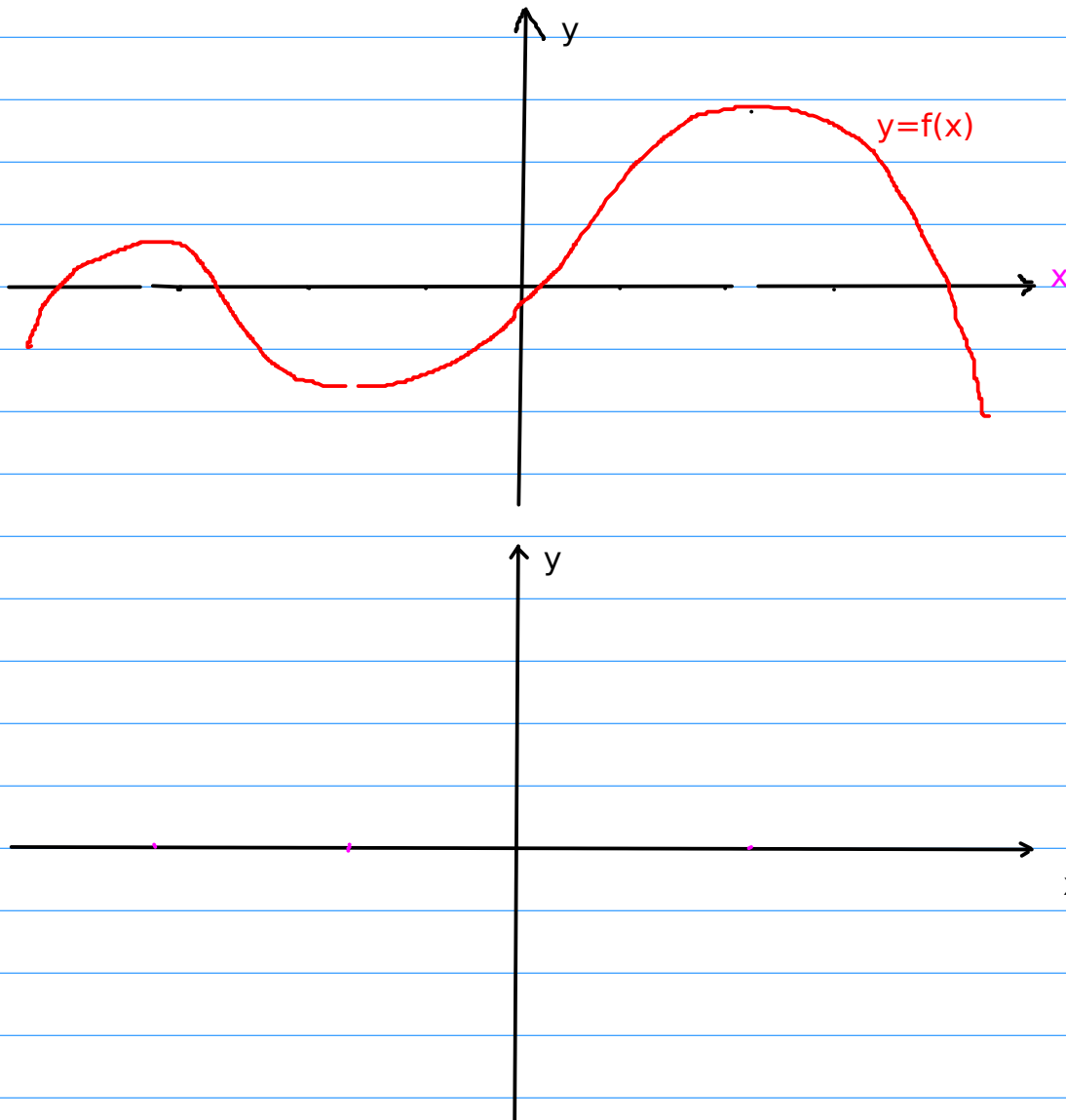
$$F'(x) = 4(-1)(x^2+4)^{-2}(2x)$$

$$= -8x(x^2+4)^{-2}$$

$$= \frac{-8x}{(x^2+4)^2}$$

1.8 Higher Order Derivatives.

The Derivative as a Function



Example: If $f(x) = x^3 + 4x + 8$ then

the first derivative is $f'(x) = \frac{d}{dx} f =$ and

the second derivative is $f''(x) = \frac{d^2}{dx^2} f(x) =$

the third derivative is $f'''(x) = \frac{d^3}{dx^3} f(x) =$

If $s(t)$ is a function of time that indicates where along a straight line an object is then

$$s'(t) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \underbrace{\frac{s(t+h) - s(t)}{h}}$$

displacement over the time interval $[t, t+h]$ divided by time elapsed (that is average velocity)

$s'(t)$ is the (instantaneous) velocity.

$s''(t)$ is the

Example A ball thrown from 6 feet off the ground with initial velocity 64 ft/sec is

$$s(t) = -16t^2 + 64t + 6 \quad \text{feet}$$

above ground level t seconds later.

$$v(t) = s'(t) = -32t + 64$$

so that the ball continues up for 2 seconds and then falls.

$$a(t) = s''(t) = -32 \text{ is the acceleration due to gravity. (in feet per second}^2\text{)}$$

Summary: First derivative of position (or displacement) is velocity and the second derivative is acceleration.

2.1 Using the first Derivative to Find Maximum and Minimum and Sketch Graphs

decreasing

A function f is said to be increasing on an interval I if for any $a < b$, a, b in I

$$f(a) < f(b)$$

$$f(a) > f(b)$$

If $f(x)$ is differentiable on I and if $f'(a) > 0$ then

$$\frac{f(a+h)-f(a)}{h} > 0 \quad (\text{for } h > 0 \text{ or } h < 0)$$

so f is increasing.

Theorem 1 If $f'(x) > 0$ for all x in $I = (c, d)$ then f is increasing on I

If $f'(x) < 0$ for all x in $I = (c, d)$ then f is decreasing on I

Definition: A number c is a critical number of a function $f(x)$ if either

$$f'(c) = 0$$

or

f' does not exist at c

Example: $f(x) = x^2 - 6x + 3$ has a critical point at ?

$$f'(x) = 2x - 6$$

Set to 0 $2x - 6 = 0$ so that $x = 3$ is the only critical point of f .

$$\text{Example } f(x) = |x| = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x \geq 0 \\ -x & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

Critical points of f ?

The critical points are the points where f can change from being increasing to being decreasing or the reverse (decreasing to increasing)