

Announcements

- Homework 6 due next Monday, 10/8/2007
Will be posted on course web page today.

Using derivatives in graphing

We already know how to find x and y intercepts.

Now we can also find places where the graph turns: $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$.

Example: graph $y = (x^2 + 4x - 7)$

Example: graph $y = (x - 2)(x^2 + 4x - 7)$

Derivatives of trigonometric functions

Theorem: The functions $\sin x$ and $\cos x$ are differentiable for all x and

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

More Trig review

Recall:

$$\tan x = \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} \quad \cot x = \frac{\cos x}{\sin x}$$

$$\sec x = \frac{1}{\cos x} \quad \csc x = \frac{1}{\sin x}$$

$$\cos^2 x + \sin^2 x = 1$$

$$1 + \tan^2 x = \sec^2 x$$

$$\cot^2 x + 1 = \csc^2 x$$

$$\sin(\alpha + \beta) = \sin \alpha \cos \beta + \cos \alpha \sin \beta$$

$$\cos(\alpha + \beta) = \cos \alpha \cos \beta - \sin \alpha \sin \beta$$

Derivatives of trigonometric functions

The trigonometric functions \sin , \cos , \tan , \csc , \sec , \cot are all differentiable wherever they are defined, and

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dx} \sin x &= \cos x & \frac{d}{dx} \cos x &= -\sin x \\ \frac{d}{dx} \tan x &= \sec^2 x & \frac{d}{dx} \cot x &= -\csc^2 x \\ \frac{d}{dx} \sec x &= \sec x \tan x & \frac{d}{dx} \csc x &= -\csc x \cot x\end{aligned}$$

Derivatives of exponentials and logarithms

The natural exponential e^x is differentiable for all x , with derivative

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

(The slope of the graph of the natural exponential at any point c is e^c .)

The natural logarithm $\ln x$ is differentiable for all $x > 0$, with derivative

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\ln x) = \frac{1}{x}$$

Rates of Change

$$\text{Average rate of change} = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = \frac{f(x + \Delta x) - f(x)}{\Delta x}$$

$$\text{Instantaneous rate of change} = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x + \Delta x) - f(x)}{\Delta x}$$

Suppose $f(x)$ is differentiable at $x = x_0$. Then the **instantaneous rate of change** of $y = f(x)$ with respect to x at x_0 is

$$f'(x_0) = \left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{x=x_0}$$

The **relative rate of change** of $y = f(x)$ at $x = x_0$ is given by the ratio

$$\frac{\text{Instantaneous rate of change}}{\text{size of the quantity}} = \frac{f'(x_0)}{f(x_0)}$$