

3.4. Derivatives and Rates of Change.

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Recall:

$$\text{Power Rule: } \frac{d}{dx} [x^n] = n \cdot x^{n-1}$$

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

$$\text{Constant Multiple Rule: } \frac{d}{dx} [c \cdot f(x)] = c \cdot \frac{d}{dx} [f(x)]$$

$$\text{Product Rule: } (f(x) \cdot g(x))' = f'(x) \cdot g(x) + g'(x) \cdot f(x)$$

$$\text{Quotient Rule: } \left(\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \right)' = \frac{f'(x) \cdot g(x) - g'(x) \cdot f(x)}{(g(x))^2}$$

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

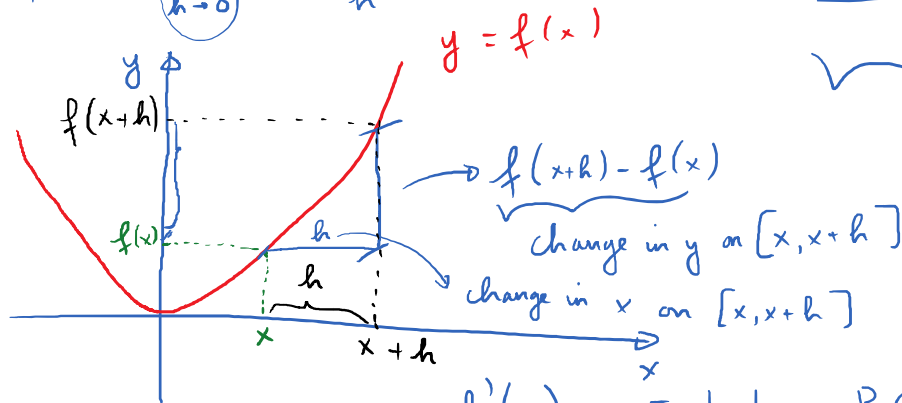
$$\frac{d}{dx} [\tan x] = \sec^2 x \quad ; \quad \frac{d}{dx} [\cot x] = -\csc^2 x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} [\sec x] = \sec x \tan x \quad . \quad \frac{d}{dx} [\csc x] = -\csc x \cot x \quad .$$

$f'(x)$ = slope of tangent line to the graph of f at x .

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

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



Rate of change of f on $[x, x+h]$

Average

$f'(x) \rightarrow$ Instantaneous R.O.C of f at x

If $f(x)$ is the position function of an moving object, then

$$\boxed{f(x+h) - f(x)} \rightarrow \text{change in position} = \text{distance traveled on } [x, x+h]$$

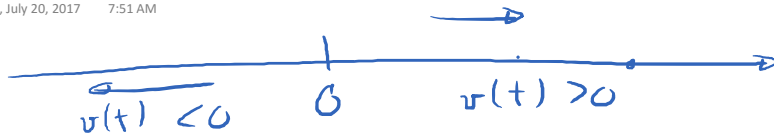
$$\boxed{h} \rightarrow \text{time it takes to travel this distance}$$

$\Rightarrow$ Average Velocity on $[x, x+h]$.

$f'(x)$ = instantaneous velocity at time x

$f''(x)$ = instantaneous acceleration at time x .

$f'''(x)$ = jerk.



Speed: $|v(t)|$

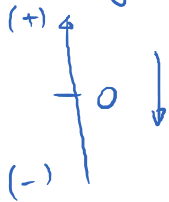
E.g. Position function: $y = 40t - 16t^2$.

* Find average velocity on $[2, 2.1]$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Average velocity} &= \frac{\text{distance}}{\text{time}} = \frac{y(2.1) - y(2)}{2.1 - 2} \\ &= \frac{[40 \cdot (2.1) - 16(2.1)^2] - [40 \cdot 2 - 16 \cdot (2)^2]}{(0.1)} \end{aligned}$$

* Instantaneous velocity at $t = 2$.

$$\text{inst. velocity} = \frac{dy}{dx} = 40 - 32t \quad \text{at } t = 2: 40 - 32 \cdot 2 = -24 \text{ (m/s)}$$



$$\text{Speed at } t = 2: |-24| = 24 \text{ m/s.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{* Acceleration at } t = 2: \quad \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} &= -32 \text{ m/s}^2. \\ &\downarrow \text{constant acceleration} \end{aligned}$$

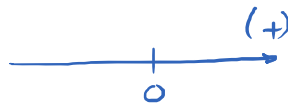
E.g. $s(t) = 3 - \frac{5}{t^2}$; $t > 0$.
(Position) $\xrightarrow{\quad} 3 - 5t^{-2}$

Acceleration function = $s''(t)$.

Need: $s'(t) = 10t^{-3}$

$$\text{So, } s''(t) = -30t^{-4} = \frac{-30}{t^4}$$

E.g. The position function of a particle moving along an axis is given by the function



$$s(t) = t^3 - 9t^2 + 24t + 4 ; t \geq 0$$

- (a) At what time is the particle at rest?
- (b) During which time interval is the particle moving from left to right (in (+) direction)? During which time interval is it moving in (-)?
- (c) During which time interval is the particle speeding up? slowing down?

$$(a) v(t) = s'(t) = 3t^2 - 18t + 24$$

At rest means $v(t) = 0$

$$3t^2 - 18t + 24 = 0$$

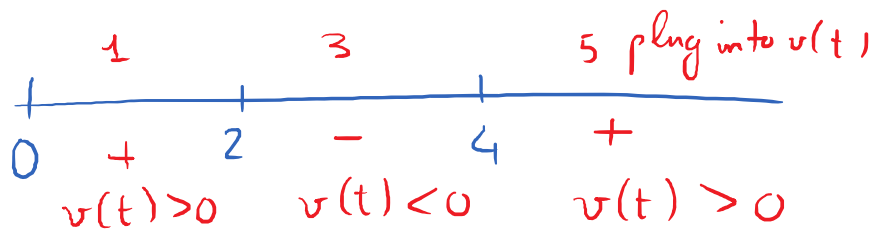
$$3(t^2 - 6t + 8) = 0$$

$$3(t-2)(t-4) = 0$$

$$t = 2; t = 4.$$

So, the particle is at rest at $t = 2(s)$ and $t = 4(s)$.

(b) Find out when $v(t) > 0$; when $v(t) < 0$



Conclusion: Move in (+) direction: $(0, 2) \cup (4, \infty)$

Move in (-) direction: $(2, 4)$.

© Speed up ? Acceleration and Velocity have the same signs.

$$\begin{cases} v(t) > 0 \\ a(t) > 0 \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} v(t) < 0 \\ a(t) < 0 \end{cases}$$

Slow down ? Acceleration and velocity have opposite signs.

$$\begin{cases} v(t) > 0 \\ a(t) < 0 \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} v(t) < 0 \\ a(t) > 0 \end{cases}$$

$$a(t) = 6t - 18.$$

So far,

$$v(t) = 3t^2 - 18t + 24 = \underline{3(t-2)(t-4)}$$

$$a(t) = 6t - 18 = \underline{6(t-3)}$$

t	0	2	3	4	∞	
v(t)	+	○	-	-	○	+
a(t)	-	-	○	+	+	+

zeros for $v(t)$: 2, 4. zeros for $a(t)$: 3

Conclusion: speed up on: $(2, 3) \cup (4, \infty)$

Slow down: $(0, 2) \cup (3, 4)$

E.g. $s(t) = \frac{t}{4+t^2}$

$$v(t) = s'(t) = \frac{1 \cdot (4+t^2) - t \cdot (2t)}{(4+t^2)^2} = \frac{4+t^2-2t^2}{(4+t^2)^2} = \frac{4-t^2}{(4+t^2)^2}$$

$$a(t) = v'(t) = s''(t) = \frac{-2t \cdot (4+t^2)^2 - (4-t^2) \cdot ((4+t^2)^2)'}{(4+t^2)^4}$$

$$((4+t^2)^2)' = ((4+t^2)(4+t^2))' = 2t \cdot (4+t^2) + 2t \cdot (4+t^2) = 4t \cdot (4+t^2)$$

$$a(t) = \frac{-2t \cdot (4+t^2)^2 - (4-t^2) \cdot 4t \cdot (4+t^2)}{(4+t^2)^4}$$

$$= \frac{-2t \cancel{(4+t^2)} [4+t^2 + (4-t^2) \cdot 2]}{\cancel{(4+t^2)^4}^3}$$

$$= \frac{-2t [4+t^2 + 8 - 2t^2]}{(4+t^2)^3} = \frac{-2t [12 - t^2]}{(4+t^2)^3}$$

$$a(t) = \frac{2t \cdot (t^2 - 12)}{(4+t^2)^3} ; \quad v(t) = \frac{4-t^2}{(4+t^2)^2}$$

$v(t) = 0$ when? $4 - t^2 = 0$; $t^2 = 4$; $t = \pm 2$.

Since t is time, $t = 2$

$a(t) = 0$ when? $2t \cdot (t^2 - 12) = 0$

$t = 0$; $t = \pm \sqrt{12}$.

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Since t is time, $t = 0$, $t = \sqrt{12}$.

t	0	2	$\sqrt{12}$	∞
$v(t)$	0	+	0	-
$a(t)$	0	-	-	0
		slow down	Speed up	Slow down.

$C(x)$: cost function

$C'(x)$: inst. R.O.C for cost = marginal cost.

$P(x)$: profit function

$P'(x)$: inst. R.O.C for profit = | marginal profit.

$R(x)$: revenue function.

$R'(x)$: marginal revenue.

$$\boxed{P(x) = R(x) - C(x)}$$