

Closing Tues: HW 9.7(2), 9.8, 9.9

Exam 1 is Thur, Jan. 25th covers 9.3 - 9.9.

Recall: Finding Derivatives

Step 0: Rewrite powers and simplify.

Step 1: Product, Quotient or Chain?

Step 2: Use appropriate rule, in the middle of that rule you may need to do a derivative (back to step 1)

Entry Task: Find the derivatives of

1. $f(x) = 4x^3(6x^2 + 7)^{10}$

2. $g(x) = \frac{3}{\sqrt{x}} + \frac{x^2}{5} + \frac{x^4}{3x + 1}$

9.8 The Second Derivative

The *second derivative* is the derivative of the derivative. We denote it

$$f''(x) \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right) = \frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$$

Example:

Assume x in seconds and y in feet.

$$y = x^3 + 2x$$

The second derivative represents the rate at which the *rate* of the original quantity is changing.

(rate of change of rate of change)

We will interpret more later, for now compute it.

Example: Find $f''(x)$

(use only positive exponents in your final answer)

$$f(x) = \frac{2}{x^3} - \sqrt{x}$$

Example: Revenue (in dollars) is given by

$$R(x) = 70x + 0.4x^3$$

if you sell x items.

1. What is marginal revenue (denoted MR or \overline{MR}) at 10 items?
2. What is the rate of change of marginal revenue when you sell 10 items?

9.9 Applications and Deriv. Graphs

Application 1: Demand Functions and Total Revenue

Recall from Math 111:

A demand curve is given by an equation that relates the quantity that will sell based on the market selling price.

And

$$\text{Revenue} = \text{Price} \cdot \text{Quantity}$$

Example (from HW 9.9/1):

Assume $x =$ items sold (quantity)
 $p =$ price per item.

From market analysis you estimate

$$p = 460 - 0.2x$$

- Find $TR(x)$ and $MR(x)$.
- What quantity maximizes $TR(x)$?

Two More Examples:

1. (part of HW 9.9/6)

The selling **price** on the competitive market is 90 dollars/item.

Find $TR(x)$ and $MR(x)$.

2. If the demand function is

$$p = \frac{500}{(3x + 1)^2}$$

Find $TR(x)$ and $MR(x)$.

Application 2: Cost Analysis and Profit

Recall from Math 111:

$TC(x)$ = “total cost to produce x items”

$AC(x)$ = “overall average cost to produce
 x items”

$$AC(x) = \frac{TC(x)}{x} \quad \text{and} \quad TC(x) = x AC(x)$$

Example (part of HW 9.9/5 and 6):

The (average) **cost** per unit is given by

$$130 + 0.5x \quad \text{dollars/item}$$

Find $TC(x)$ and $MC(x)$.

Recall from Math 111:

Profit and marginal profit are given by

$$P(x) = TR(x) - TC(x)$$

$$MP(x) = MR(x) - MC(x)$$

When profit is maximized

$$MR(x) = MC(x)$$

Specifically, where it switches
from $MR > MC$ to $MR < MC$.

Example (directly from HW 9.9/5)

The price of a certain product is \$400.

The cost per unit of producing the
product is $130 + 0.5x$ dollars/item.

- a. Find $TR(x)$ and $MR(x)$.
- b. Find $TC(x)$ and $MC(x)$.
- c. Find $P(x)$ and $MP(x)$.
- d. How many units should you produce
and sell to maximize its profits?

Another example

(*directly* from an old midterm):

You sell items.

If q is in **hundred items**, then $TR(q)$ and $TC(q)$ in **hundred dollars** are given by

$$TR(q) = 30q$$

$$TC(q) = q^3 - 15q^2 + 78q + 10$$

a. Find marginal cost at 2 hundred items

b. Find the longest interval over which marginal revenue exceeds marginal cost.

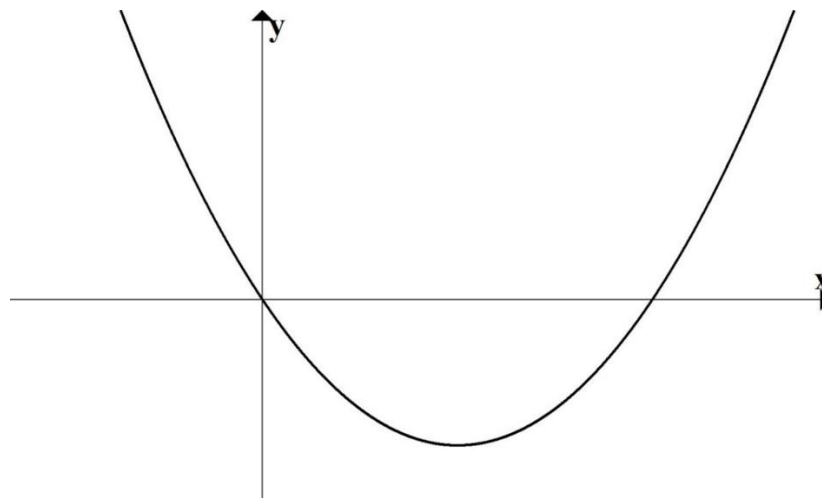
c. What is the maximum value of profit?

Graphs and Derivatives

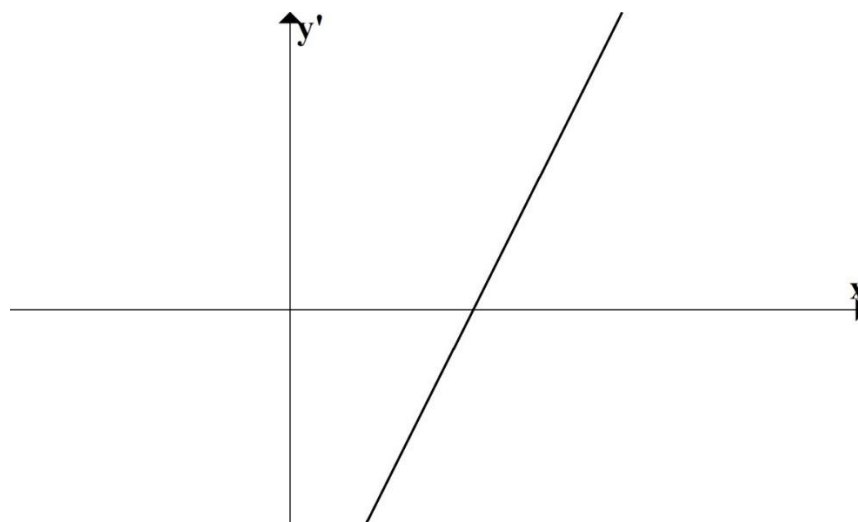
Example: Let $f(x) = 2x^2 - 3x$

Find $f'(x)$.

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



$$f'(x) = 4x - 3$$



Notes/Observations: Given $y = f(x)$.

- $y = f'(x)$ is a new function.
- $f(x)$ = “height of the graph at x ”
- $f'(x)$ = “slope of $f(x)$ at x ”
- $f'(x)$ is “instantaneous rate of change” (speedometer speed)
- The units of $f'(x)$ are $\frac{y\text{-units}}{x\text{-units}}$.

Fundamental to all applications:

$f(x)$	$f'(x)$
Horiz. Tangent <i>(peak, valley, or “chair”)</i>	Zero <i>(crosses x-axis)</i>
Increasing <i>(uphill)</i>	Positive <i>(above x-axis)</i>
Decreasing <i>(downhill)</i>	Negative <i>(below x-axis)</i>

Old Exam Question:

The height of a balloon after t seconds is given by

$$B(t) = 15t^2 - t^3 \quad \text{feet.}$$

- a. At time $t = 1$ second, is the balloon rising or falling?
- b. Find the maximum height reached by the balloon.