

2.2 Differentiation Rules

Recall the power rule.... $f(x)=x^2$
 $f'(x)=2x$

What happens when we try to take the derivative of $f(x)=3x^2$?

$$f(x)=cg(x)$$

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

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

$$= c \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(x+h) - g(x)}{h}$$

$$= cg'(x)$$

The Constant Multiple Rule:

If $f(x) = cg(x)$ for any constant c , then $f'(x) = cg'(x)$

Ex.1 Find the derivative

a) $2x^{-2}$

$$f'(x) = -4x^{-3}$$

$$= -\frac{4}{x^3}$$

b) $-3\sqrt[3]{x}$

$$f(x) = -3x^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

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

$$= \frac{-1}{x^{\frac{2}{3}}}$$

Investigate the sum and difference rules.....

Proof:

Given $f(x) = p(x) + q(x)$

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

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{[p(x+h) + q(x+h)] - [p(x) + q(x)]}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \frac{[p(x+h) - p(x)]}{h} + \frac{[q(x+h) - q(x)]}{h} \right\}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \frac{[p(x+h) - p(x)]}{h} \right\} + \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \frac{[q(x+h) - q(x)]}{h} \right\}$$

$$= p'(x) + q'(x)$$

If functions $p(x)$ and $q(x)$ are differentiable, and $f(x) = p(x) \pm q(x)$, then $f'(x) = p'(x) \pm q'(x)$.

Ex.2 Find the derivative

a) $y = -2x^4 - 3x^2 + 5$

$$y' = -8x^3 - 6x$$

b) $s = t^2(t-1)$

$$= t^3 - t^2$$

$$s' = 3t^2 - 2t$$

c) $f(x) = (2x-3)(x+1)$

$$= 2x^2 - x - 3$$

$$f'(x) = 4x - 1$$

d) $f(x) = \sqrt[3]{27x^6}$
 $= 3 \sqrt[3]{x^6}$
 $= 3x^2$

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

$$\left(x^6 \right)^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$= x^{6 \cdot \frac{1}{3}}$$

Ex.3 Find the equation of the tangent of $y = \frac{\sqrt{x}-2}{\sqrt[3]{x}}$ at the point (1,-1)

$$y = (x^{\frac{1}{2}} - 2) \cdot x^{-\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$= x^{\frac{1}{6}} - 2x^{-\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$y' = \frac{1}{6}x^{-\frac{5}{6}} + \frac{2}{3}x^{-\frac{4}{3}}$$

$$y = \frac{x^{\frac{1}{2}} - 2}{x^{\frac{1}{3}}}$$

$$= \frac{x^{\frac{1}{2}}}{x^{\frac{1}{3}}} - \frac{2}{x^{\frac{1}{3}}}$$

$$= x^{\frac{1}{6}} - 2x^{-\frac{1}{3}}$$

② Sub $x=1$

$$y' = \frac{1}{6}(1)^{-\frac{5}{6}} + \frac{2}{3}(1)^{-\frac{4}{3}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} + \frac{2}{3}$$

$$m = \frac{5}{6}$$

③ Sub $m = \frac{5}{6}$ and (1,-1)

$$y = mx + b$$

$$-1 = \frac{5}{6}(1) + b$$

$$b = -\frac{11}{6}$$

$$\therefore y = \frac{5}{6}x - \frac{11}{6}$$

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