

Math 165 Fall 2010 Lowman  
Week 5 Lec 3

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- Review Derivative Rules
  - Odd topics from Chapter 2
  - Chapter 5 next
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Review:

$$\frac{d}{dx} f(x)^n = n \cdot f(x)^{n-1} \cdot f'(x) \quad \text{Power Rule}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} e^{f(x)} = e^{f(x)} \cdot f'(x) \quad \text{Exponential Rule}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \ln f(x) = \frac{f'(x)}{f(x)} \quad \text{Log Rule}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{ex } \frac{d}{dx} (2x^3+x)^5 &= 5 \cdot (2x^3+x)^4 \cdot \frac{d}{dx} (2x^3+x) \\ &= 5 \cdot (2x^3+x)^4 \cdot (6x^2+1) \\ &= 5 \cdot (6x^2+1) \cdot (2x^3+x)^4 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{ex. } \frac{d}{dx} x^3 = 3 \cdot x^2 \cdot \frac{d}{dx} x = 3x^2 \quad \text{same as for simple rule}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{ex. } \frac{d}{dx} e^{4x^3+x^2} &= e^{4x^3+x^2} \cdot \frac{d}{dx} (4x^3+x^2) \\
 &= e^{4x^3+x^2} \cdot (12x^2+2x) \\
 &= 2x \cdot (6x+1) \cdot e^{4x^3+x^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{ex. } \frac{d}{dx} e^x = e^x \cdot \frac{dx}{dx} = e^x$$

same as for simple version of exponential rule.

$$\text{ex. } \frac{d}{dx} \ln(3x^5+7x) = \frac{\frac{d}{dx}(3x^5+7x)}{(3x^5+7x)}$$

$$= \frac{15x^4+7}{3x^5+7x}$$

$$\text{ex. } \frac{d}{dx} \ln x = \frac{\frac{d}{dx} x}{x} = \frac{1}{x}$$

same as for simple version of log rule.

$$\text{ex. } \frac{d}{dx} \ln x^5 = \frac{\frac{d}{dx} x^5}{x^5} = \frac{5 \cdot x^4}{x^5} = \frac{5}{x}$$

Problems with  $\log_2$  can often be simplified if you use log properties to simplify before taking the derivative.

Here are a few log properties:

$$\ln(1) = 0, \quad \ln(e) = 1,$$

$$\boxed{\ln x^n = n \cdot \ln x} \quad \text{this one is very useful}$$

Here is the same derivative using log properties before taking the derivative.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} \ln x^5 &= \frac{d}{dx} (5 \ln x) \\ &= 5 \cdot \frac{d}{dx} \ln x \\ &= 5 \cdot \frac{1}{x} = \frac{5}{x} \end{aligned}$$

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Odd Topics from Chapter 2.

$$\Delta f = \text{Change in } f(x)$$

$\Delta$  delta means forward difference

this means new - old or future - current value  
later - earlier etc.

if  $x$  changes from  $x_1$  to  $x_2$  then

$$\Delta x = x_2 - x_1$$

$$\Delta f = f(x_2) - f(x_1)$$

from  $\frac{df}{dx} = f'(x)$

multiply both sides by  $dx$   
and get the differential

$$\boxed{df = f'(x) dx} \quad \text{Differential of } f(x)$$

If you replace  $dx$  with  $\Delta x$  and  $df$  with  $\Delta f$   
you get a useful approximation formula.

$$\boxed{\Delta f \approx f'(x) \cdot \Delta x} \quad \text{Differential Approximation}$$

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$$\Delta x = x_2 - x_1$$

$$\Delta f = f(x_2) - f(x_1)$$

and you should evaluate  $f'(x)$  at  $x_1$  and not  $x_2$

$$\Delta f \approx f'(x_1) \cdot \Delta x$$

or  $\Delta f \approx f'(x_1) \cdot (x_2 - x_1)$

## Odd stuff from chapter 2 Continued:

ex Assume the current Profit for a large company is 80 million dollars and the next day the profit increased by \$800.00. Is this a large increase in profit? Ans. No.

The increase in profit relative to the actual profit is trivial. In this case the Relative Change in profit is what is important.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Relative Change} &= \frac{\Delta P}{P} = \frac{\$800}{\$80,000,000} \\ &= \frac{1}{100000} \\ &= 1 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ essentially zero.}\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Relative Change} = \frac{\Delta f}{f}$$

It is often useful to put these values in percent form.

ex  $10\%$  and  $0.1$  represent the exact same values

$$\begin{aligned}10\% &= 10 \cdot \frac{1}{100} \\ &= 0.1\end{aligned}$$

Note that % means times  $\frac{1}{100}$

n.e.  $\% \equiv \cdot \frac{1}{100}$  percent means per one hundred

ex.  $100\% = 100 \cdot \frac{1}{100} = 1$

so  $1 = 100\%$

This gives a useful way to convert any number or formula to percent form, just multiply by 1 (one). It will not change the value of the expression, it will only change the way it looks.

ex. from the earlier example

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\Delta P}{P} &= \frac{1}{100,000} = \frac{1}{100,000} \cdot 1 \\ &= \frac{1}{100,000} \cdot 100\% \\ &= \frac{1}{1,000}\% = .001\% \end{aligned}$$

So the Relative Change  $\frac{\Delta f}{f}$  can be written in percent form. (mult by  $1 = 100\%$ )

giving

$$\text{Percent Change} = \frac{\Delta f}{f} \cdot 100\%$$

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note

Note, in your text book they leave off the percent sign, %, but it is still assumed to be there.

Two more formulas:

$f'(x)$  is Rate of Change in  $f(x)$

$\frac{f'(x)}{f}$  is Relative Rate of change

You can multiply this by  $1 = 100\%$  to get:

$\frac{f'(x)}{f(x)} \cdot 100\%$  is Percentage Rate of change

Finally, one more thing from Sec 2.5,  
use  $\Delta f \approx f'(x) \cdot \Delta x$  to approximate the  
above formulas.

Relative Change  $\frac{\Delta f}{f}$  can be

approximated with

$$\frac{\Delta f}{f} \approx \frac{f'(x) \cdot \Delta x}{f}$$

using the differential  
approximation to  
estimate  $\Delta f$ .

Percent Change  $\frac{\Delta f}{f} \cdot 100\%$  can be  
approximated with:

$$\frac{\Delta f}{f} \cdot 100\% \approx \frac{f'(x) \cdot \Delta x}{f} \cdot 100\%$$

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