

**Sketching  $f'$  from  $f$ :**

Observe the important points and general behavior of the original graph:

- 1) Points at which a tangent line is horizontal

when  $f'(x) = 0$

- 2) Intervals over which the graph is increasing or decreasing

$f'(x) > 0 \Rightarrow$  graph is increasing ( $f(x)$ )

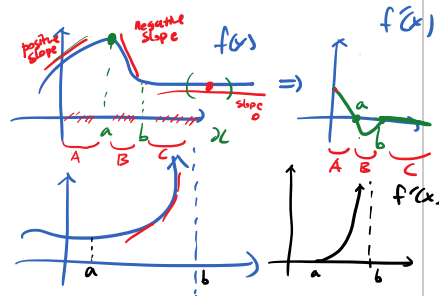
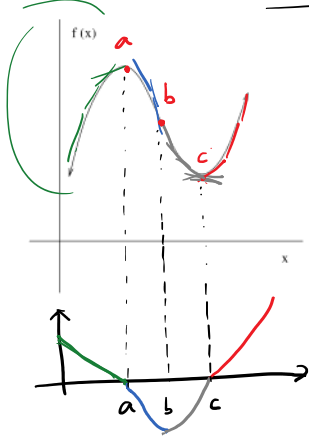
- 3) Inflection points

These! points at which sign of the slope of tangent line is changed

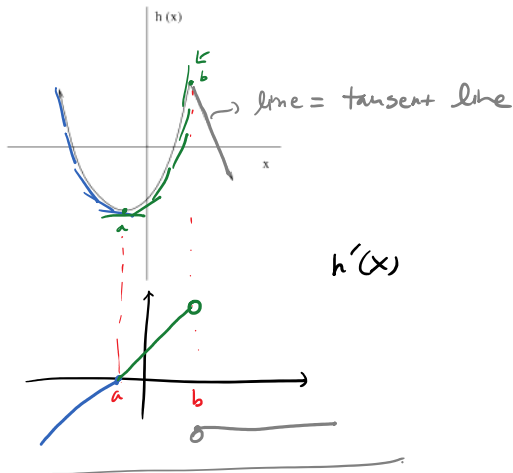
$f'(x) < 0 \Rightarrow$   $f(x)$  is decreasing

- 4) Places at which the graph appears to be horizontal or leveling off

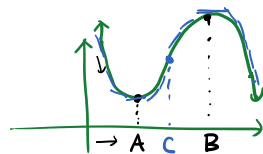
**Example:** The graph of a function  $f$  is given below. Sketch the graph of  $f'$ .



**Example:** Sketch the derivative of the function shown below.

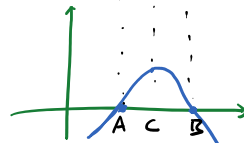


ex) Inflection pt is not symmetrical to A and B



f decreases increasingly decreases

$f'(x)$  increasing  $f(x)$  decreasing



A, B  $\Rightarrow$   $f'(x) = 0$   
C: inflection pt.

- 1) Specify points where  $f'(x) = 0$  ex) A, B and inflection pts ex) C

- 2) Draw the graph corresponding to increasing or decreasing status of  $f'(x)$



4.1 Supplement: Derivatives of Powers, Exponents, and Sums

**Derivative Notation** - If  $y = f(x)$ , then

$$f'(x) \quad y' \quad \frac{dy}{dx} \quad \frac{d}{dx}f(x)$$

all represent the derivative of  $f$  at  $x$ .

**Derivative Rules:**

- 1) If  $f(x) = c$ , where  $c$  is a constant, then  $f'(x) = 0$ . (Constant Function Rule)  
*constant*
- 2) If  $f(x) = ax + b$ , then  $f'(x) = a$ . (Derivative of a Linear Function)
- 3) If  $f(x) = x^n$ , where  $n$  is any nonzero real number, then  $f'(x) = nx^{n-1}$ . (Power Rule)  
 *$y = t^{-3}$   
 $y' = -3 \cdot t^{-3-1} = -3 \cdot t^{-4}$*
- 4) If  $f(x) = ku(x)$ , where  $k$  is a constant, then  $f'(x) = ku'(x)$ . (Constant Multiple Rule)
- 5) If  $f(x) = u(x) + v(x)$ , then  $f'(x) = u'(x) + v'(x)$ . If  $f(x) = u(x) - v(x)$ , then  $f'(x) = u'(x) - v'(x)$ . (Sum and Difference Rules)

Example:  $y = \sqrt{7}$ . Find  $y'$ . = 0 since it is constant.

① function  $f(x)$  or  $y$

Example:  $f(x) = x^5$ . Find  $f'(x)$ . =  $5x^4$

(Newton) ① Derivative 1st notation.

Example:  $y = t^{-3}$ . Find  $\frac{dy}{dt}$ . =  $-3t^{-3-1} = -3t^{-4}$   
*variable = t*

$f'(x)$  or  $y'$   
⇒ Derivative of  $f(x)$  or  $y$

Example:  $\frac{d}{dx} \frac{1}{x^2} = \frac{d}{dx} (x^{-2}) = -\frac{2}{3} \cdot x^{-\frac{5}{3}}$

(Leibniz) ② Derivative 2nd notation

$\frac{d}{dx} \frac{1}{(x^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} = \frac{d}{dx} \frac{1}{x^3} = \frac{d}{dx} x^{-\frac{2}{3}} = -\frac{2}{3} x^{-\frac{2}{3}-1} = -\frac{2}{3} x^{-\frac{5}{3}}$   
*(or)  $\frac{2}{3} = \frac{1}{3} \cdot 2$*

$\frac{df(x)}{dx}$  or  $\frac{dy}{dx}$   
→  $\frac{d}{dx} \cdot f(x)$

Example:  $f(x) = 3x^2$ . Find  $f'(x)$ . =  $3 \cdot (\text{derivative of } x^2) = 3 \cdot 2x = 6x$ .  
 *$x^2 \rightarrow 2x$*

$f(x)$   
 $f'(x) = \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{limit (when } h \rightarrow 0) \\ \text{difference quotient} \\ \text{between } (x+h, f(x+h)) \\ \text{and } (x, f(x)) \end{array} \right)$   
 $= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{x+h - x}$   
 $= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$   
 $= \text{slope of tangent line at } x.$

Example:  $y = 2x$ . Find  $y'$ .

$2 \cdot (\text{derivative of } x) = 2 \cdot 1 = 2$ .

$2 \quad x \rightarrow 1$

Example:  $f(x) = 3x^2 + 7x - 9$ . Find  $f'(x)$ .

$f'(x) = 6x + 7 - 0 = 6x + 7$ .

Example:  $y = \sqrt[3]{w} - 3w$ . Find  $\frac{dy}{dw}$ .

$y = w^{\frac{1}{3}} - 3w$

$\frac{dy}{dw} = \frac{1}{3}w^{-\frac{2}{3}} - 3$

① Change terms with exponent form

② Use power rule to each term

Example:  $\frac{d}{dx} \frac{3x^2 + x^4}{5\sqrt{x}} = \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{3x^2}{5\sqrt{x}} + \frac{x^4}{5\sqrt{x}} \right)$

$= \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{3}{5} \cdot x^{2-\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{1}{5} x^{4-\frac{1}{2}} \right)$

$= \frac{3}{5} \cdot (2-\frac{1}{2}) \cdot x^{2-\frac{1}{2}-1} + \frac{1}{5} (4-\frac{1}{2}) \cdot x^{4-\frac{1}{2}-1}$

$= \frac{3}{5} \cdot \frac{3}{2} \cdot x^{\frac{3}{2}} + \frac{1}{5} \cdot \left(\frac{7}{2}\right) \cdot x^{\frac{7}{2}}$

$= \frac{9}{10} x^{\frac{3}{2}} + \frac{7}{10} x^{\frac{7}{2}}$

Simplification.

$\frac{3}{5} x^2 \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} = \frac{3}{5} \cdot x^2 \cdot \frac{1}{x^{\frac{1}{2}}} = \frac{3}{5} \cdot x^2 \cdot x^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{3}{5} \cdot x^{2-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{3}{5} \cdot x^{2-\frac{1}{2}}$

**Applications**

**Example:** An object moves along the  $y$  axis (marked in feet) so that its position at time  $t$  (in seconds) is  $s(t) = t^3 - 6t^2 + 9t$ . Find

- a) The instantaneous velocity function  $v$ .  $\rightarrow$  derivative of  $s$   $s(t) = t^3 - 6t^2 + 9t$   
 $v = s'(t) = 3t^2 - 12t + 9$
- b) The velocity at  $t = 2$  and  $t = 5$  seconds.  $v(5) = 3 \cdot 25 - 12 \cdot 5 + 9 = 75 - 60 + 9 = 24$   
 $v(2) = 3 \cdot 4 - 12 \cdot 2 + 9 = 12 - 24 + 9 = -3$  ft/s
- c) The time(s) when the velocity is 0 ft/s.

$\Rightarrow$  Find  $t$  such that  $v(t) = 0$

$$3t^2 - 12t + 9 = 0$$

$$t^2 - 4t + 3 = 0 \Rightarrow (t-1)(t-3) = 0$$

$$t = 1 \text{ or } 3$$

**Example:** Let  $f(x) = x^4 - 6x^2 + 10$ . Find

- a) The equation of the tangent line at  $x = 1$ .
- b) Find the values of  $x$  where the tangent line is horizontal.

**Example:** The total sales of a company (in millions of dollars)  $t$  months from now are given by  $S(t) = 0.015t^4 + 0.4t^3 + 3.4t^2 + 10t - 3$ . Find  $S(4)$  and  $S'(4)$ . Then, **interpret** both results.