

## Math 106 Exam 2 Topics

### The Chain Rule

Composition  $(g \circ f)(x_0) = g(f(x_0))$ ; (note: we don't know what  $g(x_0)$  is.)

$(g \circ f)'$  ought to have something to do with  $g'(x)$  and  $f'(x)$

in particular,  $(g \circ f)'(x_0)$  should depend on  $f'(x_0)$  and  $g'(f(x_0))$

Chain Rule:  $(g \circ f)'(x_0) = g'(f(x_0))f'(x_0)$

=  $(d(\text{outside}) \text{ eval'd at inside fcn}) \cdot (d(\text{inside}))$

Ex:  $((x^3 + x - 1)^4)' = (4(x^3 + 1 - 1)^3)(3x^2 + 1)$

Different notation:

$y = g(f(x)) = g(u)$ , where  $u = f(x)$ , then  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \frac{du}{dx}$

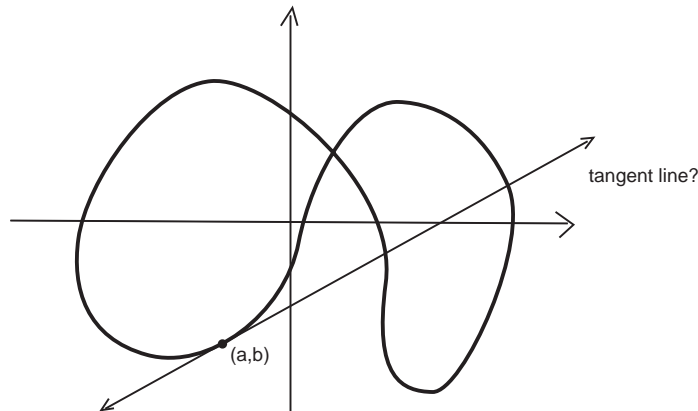
Parametric equations: a general curve needn't be the graph of a function. But we can imagine ourselves travelling along a curve, and then  $x = x(t)$  and  $y = y(t)$  are functions of  $t$ =time. We still may have a reasonable tangent line to the graph, and its slope should still be

$$\begin{aligned} (\text{change in } y / \text{change in } x &= \lim_{t \rightarrow t_0} \frac{y(t) - y(t_0)}{x(t) - x(t_0)} = \lim_{t \rightarrow t_0} \frac{(y(t) - y(t_0))/(t - t_0)}{(x(t) - x(t_0))/(t - t_0)} \\ &= \frac{\lim_{t \rightarrow t_0} (y(t) - y(t_0))/(t - t_0)}{\lim_{t \rightarrow t_0} (x(t) - x(t_0))/(t - t_0)} = \frac{y'(t_0)}{x'(t_0)} \end{aligned}$$

### Implicit differentiation

We can differentiate functions; what about *equations*? (e.g.,  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ )

graph looks like it has tangent lines



Idea: Pretend equation defines  $y$  as a function of  $x$ :  $x^2 + (f(x))^2 = 1$  and differentiate!

$$2x + 2f(x)f'(x) = 0 ; \text{ so } f'(x) = \frac{-x}{f(x)} = \frac{-x}{y}$$

Different notation:

$$x^2 + xy^2 - y^3 = 6 ; \text{ then } 2x + (y^2 + x(2y \frac{dy}{dx})) - 3y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-2x - y^2}{2xy - 3y^2}$$

Application: extend the power rule

$\frac{d}{dx}(x^r) = rx^{r-1}$  works for any *rational* number  $r$   
( $y = x^{p/q}$  means  $y^q = x^p$  ; differentiate!)

## Inverse functions and their derivatives

Basic idea: run a function backwards

$y=f(x)$  ; ‘assign’ the value  $x$  to the input  $y$  ;  $x=g(y)$

need  $g$  a function; so need  $f$  is one-to-one

$f$  is one-to-one: if  $f(x)=f(y)$  then  $x=y$  ; if  $x \neq y$  then  $f(x) \neq f(y)$

$g = f^{-1}$ , then  $g(f(x)) = x$  and  $f(g(x)) = x$  (i.e.,  $g \circ f = \text{Id}$  and  $f \circ g = \text{Id}$ )

finding inverses: rewrite  $y=f(x)$  as  $x=\text{some expression in } y$

graphs: if  $(a,b)$  on graph of  $f$ , then  $(b,a)$  on graph of  $f^{-1}$

graph of  $f^{-1}$  is graph of  $f$ , reflected across line  $y=x$

horizontal lines go to vertical lines; horizontal line test for inverse

derivative of the inverse:  $f'(f^{-1}(x)) \cdot (f^{-1})'(x) = 1$

if  $f(a) = b$ , then  $(f^{-1})'(b) = 1/f'(a)$

## Logarithms

$f(x)=a^x$  is **either** always increasing ( $a > 1$ ) **or** always decreasing ( $a < 1$ )

inverse is  $g(x) = \log_a x = \frac{\ln x}{\ln a}$

$\ln x$  is the inverse of  $e^x$ .

$\ln x$  is a log; it turns products into sums:  $\ln(ab) = \ln(a) + \ln(b)$

$\ln(a^b) = b \ln(a)$  ;  $\ln(a/b) = \ln(a) - \ln(b)$

$e^{\ln x} = x$  and  $(e^x)' = e^x$  , so  $1 = (e^{\ln x})' = (e^{\ln x})(\ln x)' = x(\ln x)'$ , so  $(\ln x)' = 1/x$  .

$\frac{d}{dx}(\ln x) = 1/x$  ;  $\frac{d}{dx}(\ln(f(x))) = \frac{f'(x)}{f(x)}$  This gives us:

**Logarithmic differentiation:**  $f'(x) = f(x) \frac{d}{dx}(\ln(f(x)))$

useful for taking the derivative of products, powers, and quotients

$\ln(a^b)$  **should be**  $b \ln a$ , so  $a^b = e^{b \ln a}$

$a^{b+c} = a^b a^c$  ;  $a^{bc} = (a^b)^c$

$a^x = e^{x \ln a}$  ;  $\frac{d}{dx}(a^x) = a^x \ln a$

$x^r = e^{r \ln x}$  (makes sense for *any real number*  $r$ ) ;  $\frac{d}{dx}(x^r) = e^{r \ln x}(r) \left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = rx^{r-1}$

## Inverse trigonometric functions

Trig functions ( $\sin x$ ,  $\cos x$ ,  $\tan x$ , etc.) aren't one-to-one; make them!

$\sin x$ ,  $-\pi/2 \leq x \leq \pi/2$  is one-to-one; inverse is  $\text{Arcsin } x$

$\sin(\text{Arcsin } x)=x$ , all  $x$ ;  $\text{Arcsin}(\sin x)=x$  IF  $x$  in range above

$\tan x$ ,  $-\pi/2 < x < \pi/2$  is one-to-one; inverse is  $\text{Arctan } x$

$\tan(\text{Arctan } x)=x$ , all  $x$ ;  $\text{Arctan}(\tan x)=x$  IF  $x$  in range above

$\sec x$ ,  $0 \leq x < \pi/2$  and  $\pi/2 < x \leq \pi$ , is one-to-one; inverse is  $\text{Arcsec } x$   
 $\sec(\text{Arcsec } x) = x$ , all  $x$ ;  $\text{Arcsec}(\sec x) = x$  IF  $x$  in range above

Computing  $\cos(\text{Arcsin } x)$ ,  $\tan(\text{Arcsec } x)$ , etc.; use right triangles

The other inverse trig functions aren't very useful,

they are essentially the negatives of the functions above.

### Derivatives of inverse trig functions

They are the derivatives of inverse functions! Use right triangles to simplify.

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\arcsin x) = \frac{1}{\cos(\arcsin(x))} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\arctan x) = \frac{1}{\sec^2(\arctan x)} = \frac{1}{x^2 + 1}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\text{arcsec } x) = \frac{1}{\sec(\text{arcsec } x) \tan(\text{arcsec } x)} = \frac{1}{|x|\sqrt{x^2 - 1}}$$

### Related Rates

Idea: If two (or more) quantities are related (a change in one value means a change in others), then their rates of change are related, too.

$xyz = 3$  ; pretend each is a function of  $t$ , and differentiate (implicitly).

General procedure:

Draw a picture, describing the situation; label things with variables.

Which variables, rates of change do you know, or want to know?

Find an equation relating the variables whose *rates of change* you know or want to know.

Differentiate!

Plug in the values that you know.

### Linear approximation and differentials

Idea: The tangent line to a graph of a function makes a good approximation to the function, near the point of tangency.

Tangent line to  $y = f(x)$  at  $(x_0, f(x_0))$  :  $L(x) = f(x_0) + f'(x_0)(x - x_0)$

$f(x) \approx L(x)$  for  $x$  near  $x_0$

Ex.:  $\sqrt{27} \approx 5 + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 5}(27 - 25)$ , using  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$

$(1+x)^k \approx 1 + kx$ , using  $x_0=0$

$\Delta f = f(x_0 + \Delta x) - f(x_0)$ , then  $f(x_0 + \Delta x) \approx L(x_0 + \Delta x)$  translates to

$\Delta f \approx f'(x_0) \cdot \Delta x$

differential notation:  $df = f'(x_0)dx$

So  $\Delta f \approx df$ , when  $\delta x = dx$  is small

In fact,  $\Delta f - df = (\text{diffrence quot} - f'(x_0))\Delta x = (\text{small}) \cdot (\text{small}) = \text{really small}$ , goes like  $(\Delta x)^2$

## Chapter 4: Applications of Derivatives

### Extreme Values

$c$  is an (absolute) maximum for a function  $f(x)$  if  $f(c) \geq f(x)$  for every other  $x$   
 $d$  is an (absolute) minimum for a function  $f(x)$  if  $f(d) \leq f(x)$  for every other  $x$   
max or min = extremum

Extreme Value Theorem: If  $f$  is a continuous function defined on a closed interval  $[a, b]$ , then  $f$  actually *has* a max and a min.

Goal: figure out where they *are*!

$c$  is a relative max (or min) if  $f(c)$  is  $\geq f(x)$  (or  $\leq f(x)$ ) for every  $x$  *near*  $c$ . Rel max or min = rel extremum.

An absolute extremum is either a rel extremum or an endpoint of the interval.

$c$  is a critical point if  $f'(c) = 0$  or does not exist.

A rel extremum is a critical point.

**So** absolute extrema occur either at critical points *or* at the endpoints.

So to find the abs max or min of a function  $f$  on an interval  $[a, b]$  :

- (1) Take derivative, find the critical points.
- (2) Evaluate  $f$  at each critical point and endpoint.
- (3) Biggest value is maximum value, smallest is minimum value.

### The Mean Value Theorem

You can (almost) recreate a function by knowing its derivative

Mean Value Theorem: if  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$  and differentiable on  $(a, b)$ , then there is at least one  $c$  in  $(a, b)$  so that

$$f'(c) = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}$$

Consequences:

Rolle's Theorem:  $f(a) = f(b) = 0$ ; between two roots there is a critical point.

So: If a function has no critical points, it has at *most* one root!

A function with  $f'(x)=0$  is constant.

Functions with the same derivative (on an interval) differ by a constant.

### The First Derivative Test

$f$  is *increasing* on an interval if  $x > y$  implies  $f(x) > f(y)$

$f$  is *decreasing* on an interval if  $x > y$  implies  $f(x) < f(y)$

If  $f'(x) > 0$  on an interval, then  $f$  is increasing

If  $f'(x) < 0$  on an interval, then  $f$  is decreasing

Local max's / min's occur at critical points; how do you tell them apart?

Near a local max,  $f$  is increasing, then decreasing;  $f'(x) > 0$  to the left of the critical point, and  $f'(x) < 0$  to the right.

Near a local min, the opposite is true;  $f'(x) < 0$  to the left of the critical point, and  $f'(x) > 0$  to the right.

If the derivative does *not* change sign as you cross a critical point, then the critical point is not a rel extremum.

Basic use: plot where a function is increasing/decreasing: plot critical points; in between them, sign of derivative does not change.

## The second derivative test and graphing

When we look at a graph, we see where function is increasing/decreasing. We also see:

$f$  is concave up on an interval if  $f''(x) > 0$  on the interval

Means:  $f'$  is increasing;  $f$  is *bending* up.

$f$  is concave down on an interval if  $f''(x) < 0$  on the interval

Means:  $f'$  is decreasing;  $f$  is *bending* down.

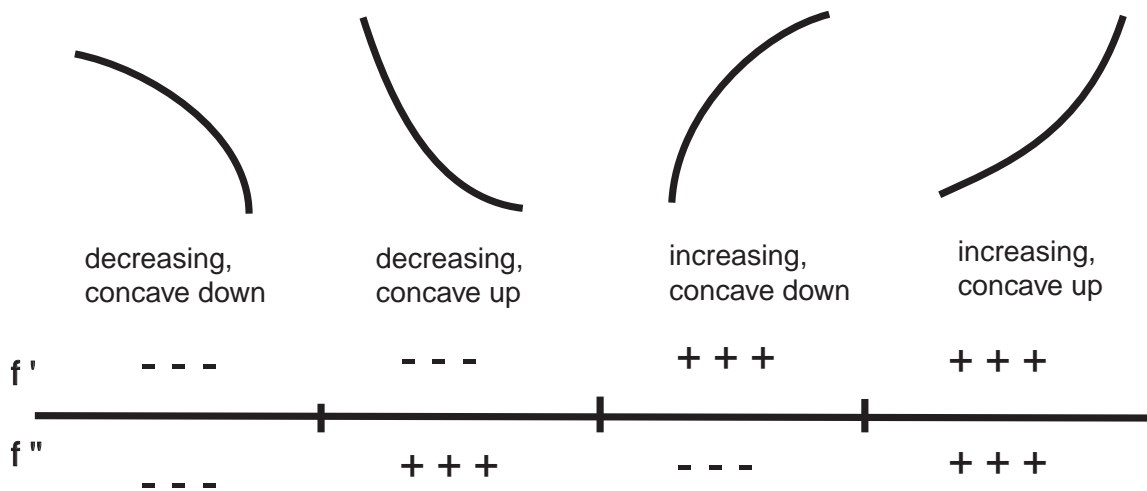
A point where the concavity changes is called a point of inflection

### Graphing:

Find where  $f'(x)$  and  $f''(x)$  are 0 or DNE

Plot on the same line.

In between points, derivative and second derivative don't change sign, so graph looks like one of:



Then string together the pieces!

Use information about vertical and horizontal asymptotes to finish sketching the graph.

Second derivative test: If  $c$  is a critical point and

$f''(c) > 0$ , then  $c$  is a rel min (smiling!)

$f''(c) < 0$ , then  $c$  is a rel max (frowning!)