

3.3 notes calculus

Rules for Differentiation

Constant Rule $\frac{d}{dx}(c) = 0$

Example: $f(x) = 19 \quad f'(x) = 0$ $f(x) = 7 \quad f'(x) = 0$

Power Rule $\frac{d}{dx} x^n = n \cdot x^{n-1}$
(power as long as $x \neq 0$ and/or $n \neq 0$)

Example:

$f(x) = x^2 \quad f'(x) = 2x$ $f(x) = x^4 \quad f'(x) = 4x^3$ $f(x) = x^7 \quad f'(x) = 7x^6$

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

Constant Multiple Rule $\frac{d}{dx} k \cdot u = k \cdot \frac{du}{dx}$

Example:

$f(x) = 5x^2 \quad f'(x) = 10x$ $f(x) = -2x^4 \quad f'(x) = -8x^3$ $f(x) = 2x^5 \quad f'(x) = 10x^4$

Sum/Difference Rule $\frac{d}{dx}(u \pm v) = \frac{du}{dx} \pm \frac{dv}{dx}$

Example:

$f(x) = x^3 + 5x^2 - \frac{2}{5}x - 4 \quad f'(x) = 3x^2 + 10x - \frac{2}{5}$

$y = 3t^2 - 4t + 2 \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = 6t - 4$

Product Rule $\frac{d}{dx}(u \cdot v) = u \frac{dv}{dx} + v \frac{du}{dx}$
(1st times deriv of 2nd + 2nd times deriv of 1st)

$p = (x^2 + 3x)(x - 1) \quad \frac{dp}{dx} =$

$(x^2 + 3x)(1) + (x-1)(2x+3)$
 $x^2 + 3x + 2x^2 + 3x - 2x - 3$
 $3x^2 + 4x - 3$

Quotient Rule $\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{u}{v} \right) = \frac{v \cdot \frac{du}{dx} - u \cdot \frac{dv}{dx}}{v^2}$
(bottom times deriv top - top times deriv bottom all over bottom squared)

$f(x) = \frac{2x}{x-1} \quad f'(x) = \frac{(x-1)(2) - (2x)(1)}{(x-1)^2} = \frac{2x - 2 - 2x}{(x-1)^2} = \frac{-2}{(x-1)^2}$

$f(x) = \frac{1}{x-1} \quad f'(x) = \frac{(x-1)(0) - (1)(1)}{(x-1)^2} = \frac{-1}{(x-1)^2}$

OR $(x-1)^{-1} \quad -1(x-1)^{-2} = \frac{-1}{(x-1)^2}$

What if you are only given the value of the functions and their derivatives at certain points?

Let $y = u \cdot v$ $u(2) = 3$ $u'(2) = -4$ $v(2) = 1$ $v'(2) = 2$
 Find $y'(2)$

By product rule:

$$y'(2) = u(2)v'(2) + v(2)u'(2) \quad y'(2) = 3(2) + 1(-4) \quad y'(2) = 2$$

If $y = \frac{u}{v}$ Find $\frac{dy}{dx}(2)$

$$\frac{v(2)u'(2) - u(2)v'(2)}{v(2)^2}$$

$$\frac{1(-4) - 3(2)}{1^2} = \frac{-4-6}{1} \Rightarrow -10$$

If we can differentiate a function once, what's to stop us from differentiating again.

f' is 1st derivative, f'' (f double prime) is 2nd derivative
 f''' (f triple prime)

$\frac{dy}{dx}$ $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ $\frac{d^3y}{dx^3}$ "d squared y d x squared" "d cubed y d x cubed"

y' 1st derivative y'' 2nd derivative y''' 3rd derivative
 y^n nth derivative

Example:

$$f(x) = 2x^4 - x^3 + 6x$$

$$f'(x) = 8x^3 - 3x^2 + 6$$

$$f''(x) = 24x^2 - 6x$$

$$f'''(x) = 48x - 6$$

$$f''''(x) = 48$$

$$f''''''(x) = 0$$

Recall position (s), velocity(v), and acceleration (a)

$$S(t) \quad s = 16t^2 \quad v(t) \quad s' = 32t \quad a(t) \quad s'' = 32 \text{ ft/sec}^2$$