

3.1 Limits

Defn of a limit of a function

If $f(x)$ becomes arbitrarily close to a single number L as x approaches c from either side, then $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = L$ ("the limit of $f(x)$ as x approaches c is L ").

Properties of limits

① $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} b = b$

② $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} x = c$

③ $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} x^n = c^n$

④ $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \sqrt[n]{x} = \sqrt[n]{c}$

(if n even, then c positive)

$b, c \in \mathbb{R} \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$

⑤ $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} [bf(x)] = b \lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)$

⑥ $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} [f(x) \pm g(x)] = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) \pm \lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x)$

⑦ $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} (f(x)g(x)) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) \lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x)$

⑧ $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)}{\lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x)}$

(assuming $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x) \neq 0$)

⑨ $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} [f(x)]^n = [\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)]^n$

⑩ $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \sqrt[n]{f(x)} = \sqrt[n]{\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)}$

(if n even, $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)$ must be positive)

Always true

True only if

$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x)$ exist

3.1 (cont)

Ex 1 Find the limits

(a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (2x^2 - 3x + 1)$

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \frac{3x+1}{2-x}$

(c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{\sqrt{x+4} - 2}{5}$

Indeterminate Form

If $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = 0$ + $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x) = 0$,

then $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$ is indeterminate,

(i.e. the $\frac{0}{0}$ case)

(This means there's more to do!)

If $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = L, L \neq 0$,

$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x) = 0$, then

$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$ DNE.

Math1100

②

3.1 (cont)

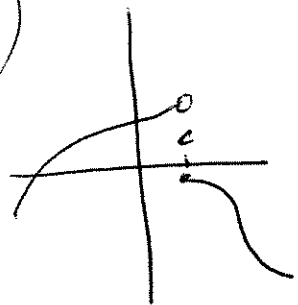
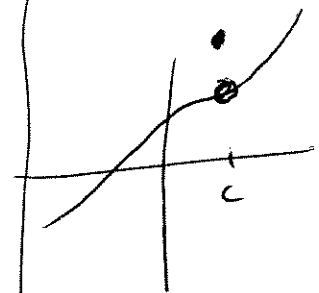
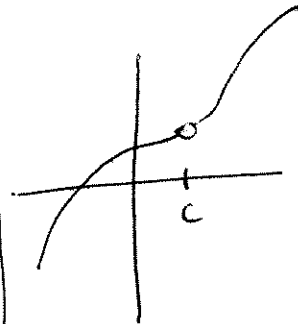
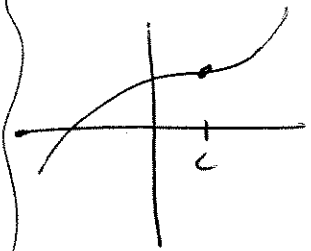
EX 2 Find the limits.

$$(a) \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x^3 - 27}{x - 3}$$

$$(b) \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{2x^2 - x - 15}{x - 3}$$

$$(c) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{x+9} - 3}{x}$$

$$(d) \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x+5}{x-1}$$



3.1 (cont)

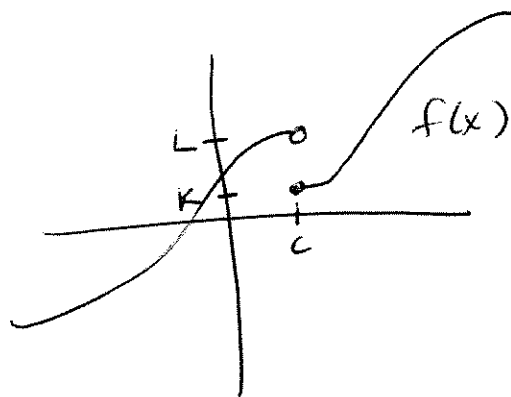
One sided limits

LH limit

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c^-} f(x) = L$$

RH limit

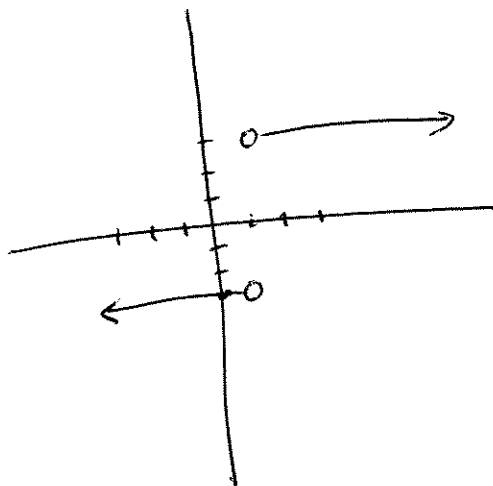
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c^+} f(x) = K$$



Ex 3

(a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{|3x-3|}{x-1}$

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} \frac{|3x-3|}{x-1}$



3.1 (cont)

If f is a function and $c, L \in \mathbb{R}$, then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = L \quad \text{iff} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow c^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c^-} f(x) = L.$$

Ex 4 For $f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x^2 - 1 & x > 0 \\ 3x - 1 & x < 0 \end{cases}$

find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$.

Ex 5 (a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{5}{x-3}$

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} \frac{5}{x-3}$

(c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} \frac{5}{x-3}$

3.1 (cont)

Ex 6 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{2}{x^2 - 1}$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} \frac{2}{x^2 - 1}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{2}{x^2 - 1}$$

3.2 Continuity (★ skip pgs 149-151 in book)

Defn of Continuity

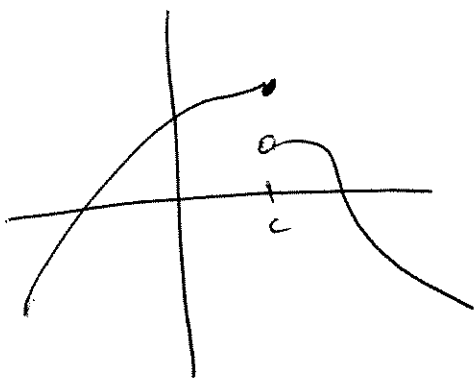
A function $f(x)$ is continuous at $x=c$ if

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = f(c).$$

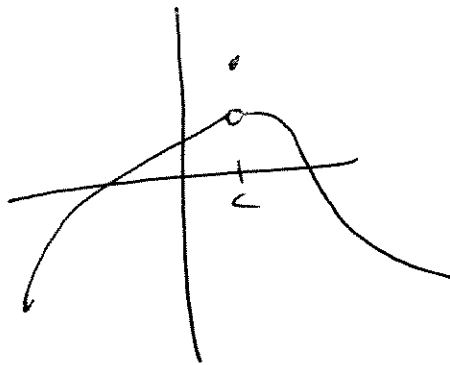
That is, $f(c)$ must exist

$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)$ must exist

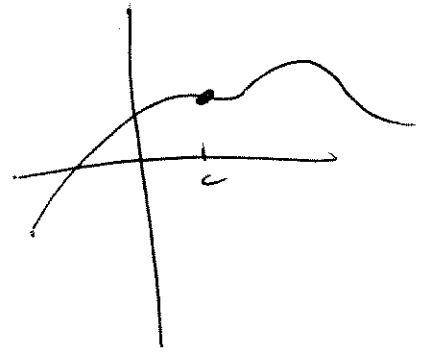
and they have to be equal.



$f(c)$ exists
but $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)$ dne



$f(c)$ exists and
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)$ exists
but they're not
the same



$f(c)$ exists
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)$ exists
and $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = f(c)$.

- All polynomials are continuous everywhere.

- All rational functions are continuous everywhere,
except where the denominator is zero.

3.2 (cont)

Ex 1 Determine where these functions are continuous.

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

(b) $f(x) = \frac{x+4}{x^2-6x+5}$

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

(d) $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2-4 & x \leq 0 \\ 3x+1 & x > 0 \end{cases}$

(e) $h(x) = f(g(x))$, $f(x) = \frac{1}{x-1}$ $g(x) = x^2+5$

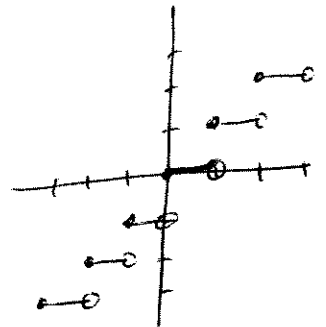
(f) $g(x) = \sqrt{5-x}$

3,2 (cont)

Ex 2 Describe where $f(x)$ is continuous.

$$f(x) = x - [x]$$

$$f(x) = \{x\}$$



greatest
integer
function

Ex 3 (#38) Discuss continuity of
 $f(x) = \frac{x}{x^2 - 4x + 3}$ on $[0, 4]$. If there are
any discontinuities, determine if it's removable.

3.3 Infinite limits & Limits at Infinity

Infinite limits & Vertical Asymptotes

The vertical line $x=a$ is a vertical asymptote for the graph of $y=f(x)$ if

$$f(x) \rightarrow \pm\infty \text{ as } x \rightarrow a^+ \text{ or } x \rightarrow a^-.$$

V.A. of Rational Fns

If $f(x) = \frac{n(x)}{d(x)}$ is a rational function, $d(c) = 0$ & $n(c) \neq 0$, then $x=c$ is a VA of f .

Ex 1 Find vertical asymptotes for

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 4}{(x+1)(x+3)}$$

3.3 (cont)

Thm 2 If p is a positive $\mathbb{R} \#$ and $k \in \mathbb{R}$, then

$$\textcircled{1} \lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} \frac{k}{x^p} = 0 \quad \textcircled{2} \lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} kx^p = \pm\infty$$

Limits of Rational Fns at ∞ + H.A. of Rational Fns

$$(A) \text{ If } f(x) = \frac{a_m x^m + a_{m-1} x^{m-1} + \dots + a_1 x + a_0}{b_n x^n + b_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + b_1 x + b_0} \quad a_m \neq 0, b_n \neq 0,$$

$$\text{then } \lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} \frac{a_m x^m}{b_n x^n}$$

(B) H.A. (aka Horizontal Asymptotes)

3 cases

$$\textcircled{1} \text{ If } m < n, \text{ then } \lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} f(x) = 0 \Rightarrow y = 0 \text{ H.A.}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \text{ If } m = n, \text{ then } \lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} f(x) = \frac{a_m}{b_n} \Rightarrow y = \frac{a_m}{b_n} \text{ H.A.}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \text{ If } m > n, \text{ then } \lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} f(x) = \pm\infty \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{\text{no}}} \text{ H.A.}$$

Ex 2 $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2-3x^3}{7+4x^3}$

3.3 (cont)

Ex 3 $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4x^7 - 8x}{6x^4 + 9x^2}$

Ex 4 $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{5x + 11}{7x^3 - 2}$

Ex 5 For $f(x) = \frac{x^2}{x+3}$, find

(a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} f(x)$

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} f(x)$

(c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x)$

3.3 (cont)

Ex 6 For $f(x) = \frac{x^2 + x - 2}{x + 2}$, find

(a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^-} f(x)$

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} f(x)$

(c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} f(x)$

Ex 7 Identify discontinuities & V.A.

(a) $f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 9}{9 - x^2}$

(b) $f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 2x - 3}{x^2 - 4x + 3}$

3.3 (cont)

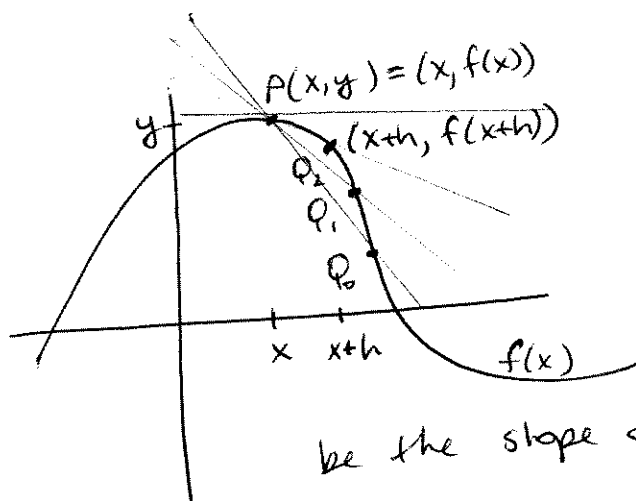
Ex 8 Find all H.A. + V.A.

$$(a) f(x) = \frac{3x+2}{x-4}$$

$$(b) f(x) = \frac{x+5}{x^2}$$

$$(c) f(x) = \frac{x^2 - x - 12}{2x^2 + 5x - 12}$$

3.4 The Derivative



If we're looking for the slope of a curve at a point, we can estimate it by finding the slope of a secant line.

The actual slope at P will be the slope of the tangent line.

The slope of the secant line between P + Q2 \Rightarrow
 $m = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x}$

$$m = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{(x+h) - x} = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$$

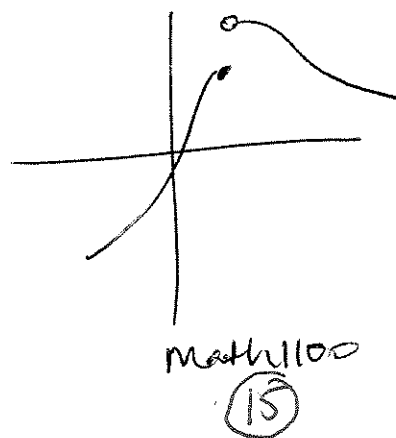
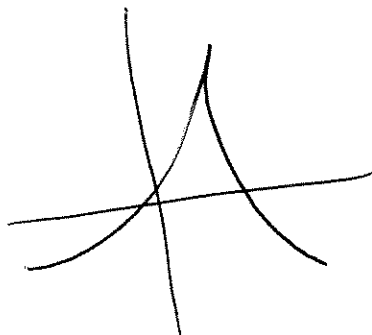
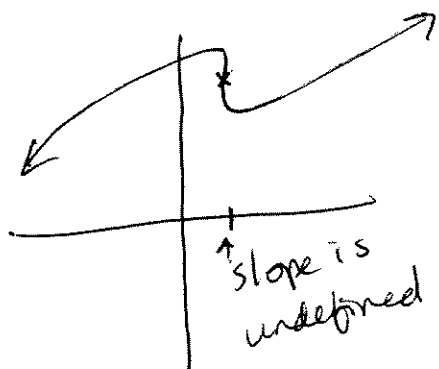
\Rightarrow tangent line slope happens when h is arbitrarily small, i.e. as $h \rightarrow 0$.

$$\text{slope of tangent line} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = f'(x)$$

i.e. the slope of a function at a pt.

called the derivative

A function is differentiable if the derivative exists.



math1100

3.4 (cont)

Another perspective \Rightarrow

Let's say an object moves along the y-axis
so its location is $y = f(x) = x^2 + x$ at time x .

(y is in ft + x is in seconds)

What is the average velocity for x changing
from 2 to 4 seconds?

$v_{avg} = ?$ for x going from 2 to 2.2 seconds?

$v_{avg} = ?$ for $x = 2$ to $x = 2^{\text{th}}$ seconds?

\Rightarrow instantaneous velocity = ?

3.4 (cont)

Derivative

(either as slope of curve, rate of change, or velocity)

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

Differentiability \Rightarrow continuity

(but continuity $\not\Rightarrow$ differentiability)

Ex 1 Use the defn of derivative to find $f'(x)$.

(a) $f(x) = -4x + 1$

(b) $f(x) = 3x^2 - 2$

3.4 (cont)

Ex 2 Use defn of derivative to find $f'(x)$.

(a) $f(x) = x^3 + 5$

(b) $f(x) = 16\sqrt{x+9}$

3.4 (cont)

Ex 3 Find the equation of the tangent line to the graph of $f(x) = \frac{1}{x-1}$ at $(2, 1)$.

Ex 4 Use this graph to answer these questions.
Does the derivative exist at

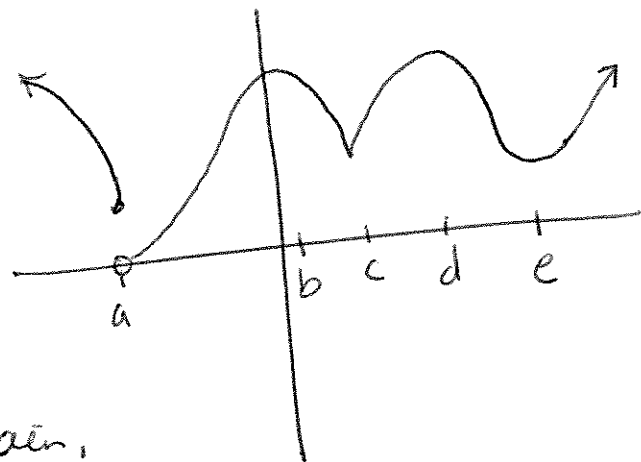
$x=a$?

$x=b$?

$x=c$?

$x=d$?

$x=e$?



Explain.

Basic 3.5 Differentiation Rules (shortcuts ☺)

If $f(x) = c$ ($c \in \mathbb{R}$), then

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

$\Rightarrow D_x[c] = 0$ (or $\frac{d}{dx}(c) = 0$)
The derivative of a constant is 0.

Let $f(x) = x^n$ $n \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\Rightarrow f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x+h)^n - x^n}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^n + nx^{n-1}h + \frac{n(n-1)x^{n-2}}{2}(h^2) + \dots + h^n - x^n}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} nx^{n-1} + h(\dots \text{stuff} \dots) = nx^{n-1}$$

$$D_x[x^n] = nx^{n-1} \quad (n \in \mathbb{R})$$

Power Rule

$$\frac{d}{dx}[f(x) \pm g(x)] = \frac{df(x)}{dx} \pm \frac{dg(x)}{dx}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[cf(x)] = c \frac{df(x)}{dx}$$

} derivative is linear operator

3.5 (cont)

Ex 1 Find the derivative of each function.

(a) $f(x) = 2$

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

(c) $f(t) = t^3 - 9t^2 + 2$

(d) $y = 2x^3 - x^2 + 3x - 1$

(e) $y = x^{5/2}$

(f) $g(x) = 4\sqrt[5]{x} + 2x$

(g) $s(t) = 3t^{-1} + t^{-2}$

3.5 (cont)

Ex 2 Find the derivative of each function.

(a) $y = \frac{3x}{x-5}$

(b) $y = (x^2 + 2x)(x+1)$

(c) $f(x) = \frac{-6x^3 + 3x^2 - 2x + 1}{x}$

Ex 3 Find the value of the derivative at the given pt.

(a) $f(x) = 3(5-x)^2$ at $(5, 0)$

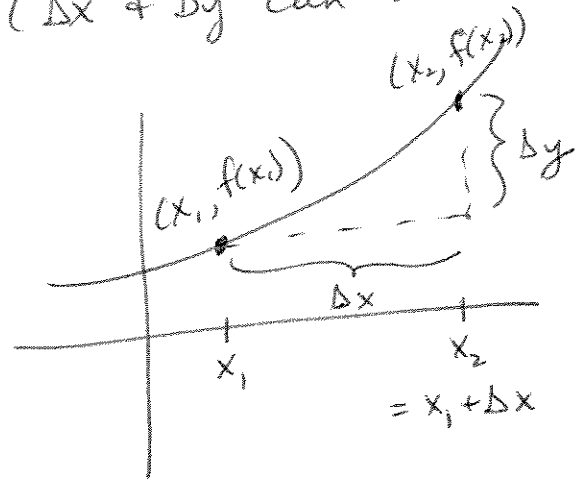
(b) $y = 3x(x^2 - \frac{2}{x})$ at $(2, 18)$

3.6 Differentials

Defn - Increments

For $y = f(x)$, $\Delta x = x_2 - x_1 \Rightarrow x_2 = x_1 + \Delta x$
 $\Delta y = y_2 - y_1 = f(x_2) - f(x_1) = f(x_1 + \Delta x) - f(x_1)$

(Δx + Δy can be + or -)



Ex 1 For $f(x) = 5x^2 - 2x$

(a) find Δx , given $x_1 = 1$
 $x_2 = 3$

(b) find Δy .

(c) find $\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x}$

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

$\Rightarrow \Delta y \approx f'(x) \Delta x$

Defn - Differentials

If $y = f(x)$ is differentiable, then the differential dy is given by $dy = f'(x) dx$

($dx = \Delta x$).

$\Rightarrow \Delta y \approx dy$

3.6 (cont)

Ex 2 Find dy for each function.

(a) $y = 200x - \frac{x^2}{10}$

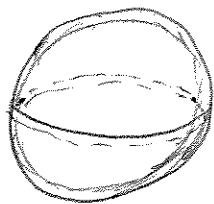
(b) $y = 5\sqrt{x}$

(c) $y = \frac{x^2}{(x+1)^2}$

Ex 3 For $y = 30 + 12x^2 - x^3$, $x = 2$, $dx = \Delta x = 0.1$,
find $dy + \Delta y$.

3.6 (cont)

EX 4 (#24) A sphere of radius 5 cm is coated w/ ice 0.1 cm thick. Use differentials to estimate the volume of the ice.



3.7 Marginal Analysis in Business + Economics

Defn If $x = \#$ units produced, then

$$\begin{aligned} C(x) &= \text{total cost} & C'(x) &= \text{marginal cost} \\ R(x) &= \text{total revenue} & R'(x) &= \text{marginal revenue} \\ P(x) &= R(x) - C(x) = \text{total profit} & P'(x) &= \text{marginal profit} \\ & & &= R'(x) - C'(x) \end{aligned}$$

Thm If $C(x)$ is total cost of producing x items, the marginal cost $C'(x)$ approximates the exact cost of producing the $(x+1)^{\text{st}}$ item.

$$C'(x) \approx C(x+1) - C(x).$$

(Similarly for revenue + profit.)

Defn Average Cost $\bar{C}(x) = \frac{C(x)}{x}$ marginal avg cost $\bar{C}'(x)$

average revenue $\bar{R}(x) = \frac{R(x)}{x}$ marginal avg revenue $\bar{R}'(x)$

average profit $\bar{P}(x) = \frac{P(x)}{x}$ marginal avg profit $\bar{P}'(x)$

3.7 (cont)

Ex 1 Find the marginal revenue for
 $R(x) = 50(20x - x^{3/2})$

Ex 2 The revenue from renting x apartments
is given by $R(x) = 2x(900 + 32x - x^2)$.

(a) Find the additional revenue when the # of
rentals is increased from 14 to 15.

(b) Find the marginal revenue when $x=14$.

(c) what is meaning of (a) + (b)?

3.7 (cont)

Ex 3 The total profit (in \$) from the sale of
(#10) x charcoal grills is $P(x) = 20x - 0.02x^2 - 320$

$x \in [0, 1000]$.

(a) Find avg profit per grill if 40 grills are produced.

(b) Find marginal avg profit at a production level of 40 grills + interpret the results.

(c) Use results from (a) + (b) to estimate the avg profit per grill if 41 grills are produced.

3.7 (cont)

Ex 4 (#14) The price-demand eqn + the cost for production of tv. sets are given by

$$x = 9000 - 30p \quad (\text{price-demand})$$

$$C(x) = 150,000 + 30x \quad (\text{cost})$$

where $x = \#$ t.v.s sold at price \$ p .

(a) Express p as $f(x)$ + find its domain.

(b) find marginal cost.

(c) Find $R(x)$ + its domain. (Hint: $R = xp$)

(d) Find marginal revenue.

3.7 (cont)

Ex 4 (cont)

(e) Find $R'(3000) + R'(6000) +$ interpret these quantities.

(f) graph $C(x) + R(x)$ on same axes for $x \in [0, 9000]$.
Find break-even pts.

(g) find $P(x)$.

(h) find $P'(x)$.

(i) Find $P'(1,500) + P'(4,500) +$ interpret these quantities.