

Math 1210–23 Notes of 1/29/24

- So far we know these differentiation rules:

- **Power Rule:**

$$\frac{d}{dx}x^n = nx^{n-1}$$

where n is a positive integer.

- **Sum Rule:**

$$(f + g)' = f' + g'$$

- **Constant Multiple Rule:**

$$(kf)' = k(f')$$

where k is a constant.

- With the above we can differentiate any polynomial!
- We also have these two miscellaneous rules:

$$\frac{d}{dx}\sqrt{x} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$$

and

$$\frac{d}{dx} \frac{1}{x} = \frac{-1}{x^2}.$$

- But we need more rules!

More Differentiation Rules

The Product Rule

- The derivative of the product does not in general equal the product of the derivatives!
- Instead:

$$\frac{d}{dx} f(x)g(x) = f'(x)g(x) + f(x)g'(x),$$

or, more briefly

$$(uv)' = u'v + uv'$$

- One way to remember the product rule is to note that each of the two term can be obtained by considering one of the factors constant.

- Example: Compute

$$\frac{d}{dx}(x^2 + 2)(x^3 + 1)$$

in two different ways:

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

- Example: Compute

$$\frac{d}{dx}(x + \sqrt{x})(x^2 + x) =$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \left(1 + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}\right)(x^2 + x) + (x + \sqrt{x})(2x + 1) \\ &= \underbrace{x^2 + x} + \frac{x^{3/2}}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{x} + 2x^2 + x + 2x^{3/2} + \sqrt{x} \\ &= 3x^2 + 2x + \frac{5}{2}x^{3/2} + \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{x} \end{aligned}$$

- Why does the product rule work?
- We go back to the definition of the derivative and apply the Main Limit Theorem (the limit of the sum is the sum of the limits, etc.).

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{d}{dx} f(x)g(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h)g(x+h) - f(x)g(x)}{h} \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \left(f(x+h)g(x+h) - f(x)g(x+h) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + f(x)g(x+h) - f(x)g(x) \right) \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h)g(x+h) - f(x)g(x+h)}{h} \\
&\quad + \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x)g(x+h) - f(x)g(x)}{h} \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \times \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} g(x+h) \\
&\quad + f(x) \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(x+h) - g(x)}{h} \\
&= f'(x)g(x) + f(x)g'(x)
\end{aligned}$$

- We'll see much more of the product rule when we learn how to differentiate functions other than polynomials.

The Quotient Rule

- The quotient rule is:

$$\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)' = \frac{f'g - fg'}{g^2}$$

- Examples:

$$\frac{d}{dx} \frac{1}{1+x^2} = \frac{0 \cdot (1+x^2) - 1 \cdot 2x}{(1+x^2)^2} = \frac{-2x}{(1+x^2)^2}$$

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

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

$$\frac{d}{dx} x^{-n} = \frac{d}{dx} \frac{1}{x^n} = \frac{-1 \cdot n x^{n-1}}{(x^n)^2} = \frac{-n x^{n-1}}{x^{2n}}$$

$n > 0$
integer

$$= -n x^{n-1} \cdot x^{-2n} = -n x^{n-1-2n} = -n x^{-n-1}$$

- Why does the quotient rule work?
- Again, we do algebra, and apply the main limit theorem.

$$\frac{d}{dx} x^{-4} = -4x^{-5}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{d}{dx} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{f(x+h)}{g(x+h)} - \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}}{h} \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h)g(x) - f(x)g(x+h)}{hg(x+h)g(x)} \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{g(x+h)g(x)} \\
&\quad \times \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h)g(x) - f(x)g(x) + f(x)g(x) - f(x)g(x+h)}{h} \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{g(x+h)g(x)} \\
&\quad \times \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h)g(x) - f(x)g(x)}{h} \\
&\quad \times \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x)g(x) - f(x)g(x+h)}{h} \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{g(x+h)g(x)} \\
&\quad \times \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(f(x+h) - f(x))g(x)}{h} \\
&\quad \times \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x)(g(x) - g(x+h))}{h} \\
&= \frac{f'(x)g(x) - f(x)g'(x)}{g^2(x)}
\end{aligned}$$

Derivatives of Trig Functions

- Can you guess the derivative of the sin function?

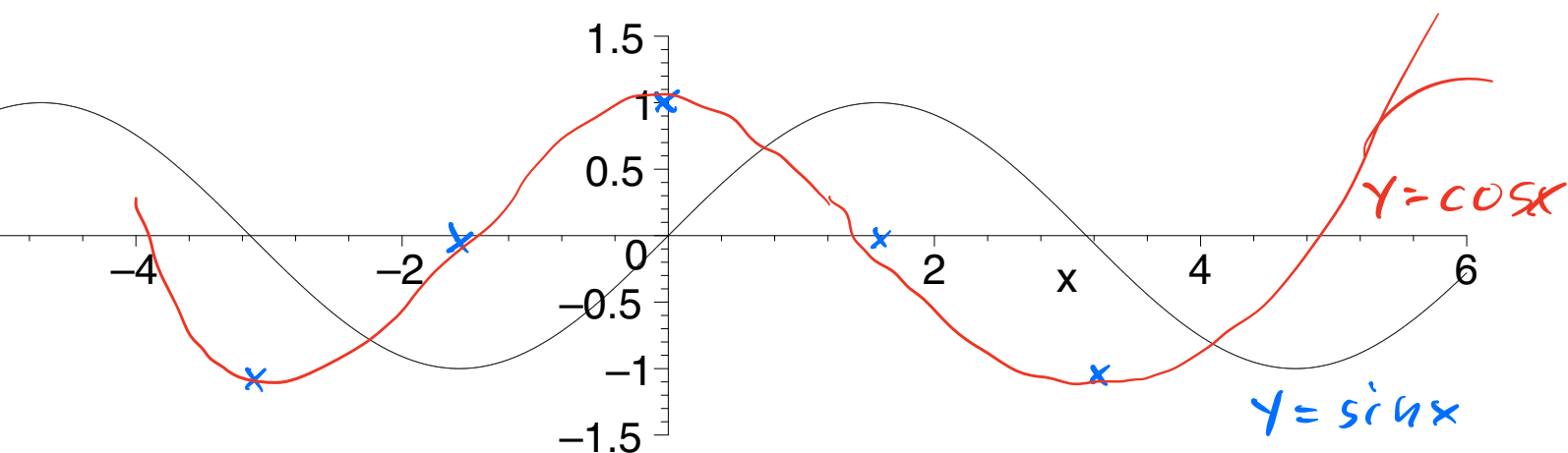


Figure 1. The Sine Function.

- Recall the graphs of sine and cosine:

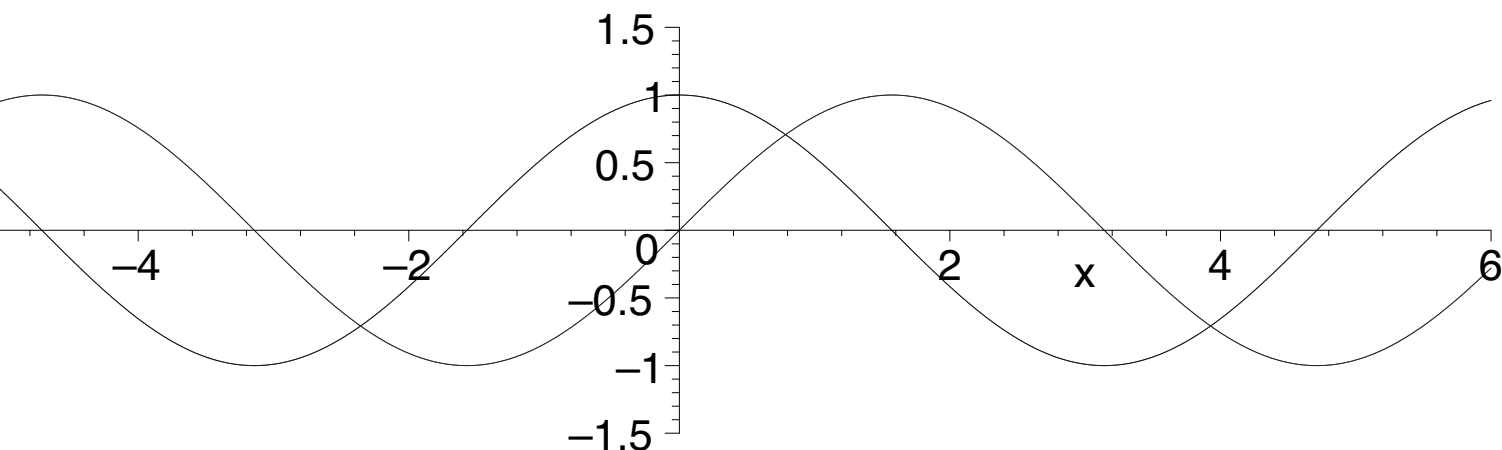


Figure 2. Graphs of sine and cosine.

- Yes indeed!

$$\frac{d}{dx} \sin x = \cos x.$$

- Need trig identity:

$$\sin(x + h) = \sin x \cos h + \cos x \sin h.$$

- Also remember these limits:

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos x - 1}{x} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = 1.$$

- Again, we go back to the definition and use the main limit theorem:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} \sin x &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(x + h) - \sin(x)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x \cos h + \cos x \sin h - \sin x}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \sin x \times \frac{\cos h - 1}{h} + \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \cos x \frac{\sin h}{h} \\ &= \sin x \underbrace{\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos h - 1}{h}}_{=0} + \cos x \underbrace{\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin h}{h}}_{=1} \\ &= \cos x. \end{aligned}$$

- Proceeding similarly (Textbook, page 115) we get

$$\frac{d}{dx} \cos x = -\sin x.$$

- More examples:

$$\frac{d}{dx} x^2 \sin x = 2x \sin x + x^2 \cos x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \sin^2 x = \frac{d}{dx} (\sin x)(\sin x) = (\cos x)(\sin x) + (\sin x)(\cos x) = (2 \sin x)(\cos x) \neq 2 \sin x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} x^2 = 2x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \tan x =$$

$$\sin x \cos x = \cos x \sin x$$

$$z = z$$

$$z + z = 2z$$

$$= \frac{1}{\cos^2 x}$$

$$\left(\frac{u}{v}\right)' = \frac{u'v - uv'}{v^2} = \frac{d}{dx} \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} = \frac{\cos^2 x + \sin^2 x}{\cos^2 x}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} =$$

$$\frac{x \cos x - \sin x}{x^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} (1+x^2)^2 &= \frac{d}{dx} (1+x^2)(1+x^2) = \\ &= 2x(1+x^2) + (1+x^2)2x \\ &= 4x(1+x^2) \end{aligned}$$

- Recall

$$\frac{d}{dx} \sin^2 x = 2 \sin x \cos x.$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \sin 2x \\ \cos 2x \\ \cos x^2 \end{array}$$



What about

$$\frac{d}{dx} \sin x^2 = 2x \cos x^2$$

- We'll discuss tomorrow...