

1. Compute the derivatives of the following functions using the derivative rules.

(a) $f(x) = \cos(x)\sqrt{1 + e^{(x^2)}}$

Rewrite

$$f(x) = \cos(x) \left(1 + e^{(x^2)}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

By product rule and chain rule

$$f'(x) = -\sin(x) \left(1 + e^{(x^2)}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} + \cos(x) \cdot \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + e^{(x^2)}\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \cdot e^{(x^2)} \cdot 2x$$

(b) $g(x) = \frac{\sec(x)}{4 + \tan^{-1}(x)}$

By quotient rule,

$$g'(x) = \frac{\sec(x) \tan(x) (4 + \tan^{-1}(x)) - \sec(x) \cdot \frac{1}{1+x^2}}{(4 + \tan^{-1}(x))^2}$$

(c) $h(x) = x^{\ln(x)}$

Rewrite

$$h(x) = \left(e^{\ln(x)}\right)^{\ln(x)} = e^{(\ln(x))^2}$$

By chain rule

$$h'(x) = e^{(\ln(x))^2} \cdot 2 \ln(x) \cdot \frac{1}{x}$$

2. (a) Compute the derivative of $f(x) = \frac{1}{x+3}$ using the limit based definition.

The derivative at $a \neq -3$ is

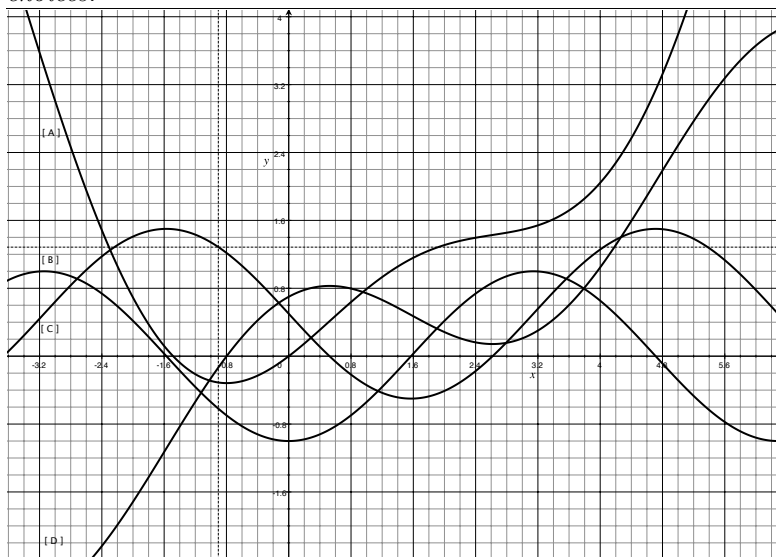
$$\begin{aligned} f'(a) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{a+h+3} - \frac{1}{a+3}}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(a+3) - (a+h+3)}{h(a+h+3)(a+3)} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} -\frac{h}{h(a+h+3)(a+3)} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} -\frac{1}{(a+h+3)(a+3)} \\ &= -\frac{1}{(a+3)^2} \end{aligned}$$

(b) Use the definition of derivative to find $L = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\ln(1+x)}{x}$.

Let $f(x) = \ln(x)$ that has $f'(x) = \frac{1}{x}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} L &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\ln(1+h)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\ln(1+h) - \ln(1)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(1+h) - f(1)}{h} \\ &= f'(1) = \frac{1}{1} = 1. \end{aligned}$$

3. (a) The figure shows graphs of f , f' , f'' and f''' . Identify each curve and explain your choices.



Curve	A, B, C or D ?	Why?
f	A	Starting function.
f'	D	A is decreasing for $x < -0.8$, horizontal tangent at $x = -0.8$ and increasing for $-0.8 < x$. So $A'(x) < 0$ for $x < -0.8$, $A'(-0.8) = 0$ and $A'(x) > 0$ if $x > -0.8$. D is the only function that has these signs.
f''	C	D increases for $x < 0.5$, decreases for $0.5 < x < 2.6$ and then increases. So $D'(x) > 0$ for $x < 0.5$, $D'(x) < 0$ for $0.5 < x < 2.6$, and $D'(x) > 0$ for $2.6 < x$. C is the only function that has these signs.
f'''	B	C increases for $x < -1.6$, decreases for $-1.6 < x < 1.6$, then increases for $1.6 < x < 4.7$ and then decreases. So $C'(x) > 0$ for $x < 0.5$ or $1.6 < x < 4.7$ and $C'(x) < 0$ for $0.5 < x < 2.6$ or $4.7 < x$. B is the only function that has these signs.

- (b) The circumference of a sphere is measured to be 10 cm with a possible error of 0.5 cm. Use differentials to estimate the maximum error in the calculated volume. What is the relative error?

[Hint. Recall that a sphere of circumference c has volume $V = \frac{c^3}{6\pi^2}$.]

Computing the derivative, remembering that $\frac{1}{6\pi^2}$ is constant,

$$\frac{dV}{dc} = \frac{c^2}{2\pi^2}$$

The differential is

$$dV = \frac{dV}{dc} dc$$

Thus if the error in circumference is $\Delta c = \pm 0.5$, then at $c = 10$ cm, by using $dc = \Delta c$, the differential gives an approximation

$$\Delta V \approx dV = \frac{dV}{dc} dc = \frac{c^2}{2\pi^2} dc = \frac{10^2}{2\pi^2} (\pm 0.5) = \pm \frac{25}{\pi^2} \approx \pm 2.533 \text{ cm}^3 =$$

The relative error is

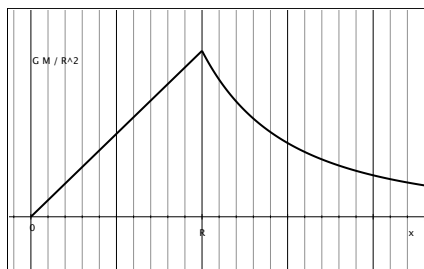
$$\frac{\Delta V}{V} \approx \frac{dV}{V} = \frac{\frac{c^2}{2\pi^2} dc}{\frac{c^3}{6\pi^2}} = \frac{3dc}{c} = \frac{3 \cdot (\pm 0.5)}{10} = \pm \frac{3}{20}$$

Thus a 5% relative error on measuring the circumference results in about a 15% relative error in the volume.

4. The gravitational force exerted by the earth on a unit mass at a distance x from the center of the planet is

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{GMx}{R^3} & \text{if } x < R \\ \frac{GM}{x^2} & \text{if } x \geq R \end{cases}$$

where M is the mass of the earth, R is the radius and G is the gravitational constant. Sketch the graph of $y = F(x)$. Is $F(x)$ a continuous function of x ? Why? Is $F(x)$ differentiable function of x ? Why?



Plot of gravitational force function $F(x)$.

$F(x)$ is continuous. $F(x)$ is a linear function for $x < R$ (the region inside the earth) and then is inverse quadratic if $R < x$ outside the earth. Hence to the left and right of $x = R$

the functions are continuous. At $x = R$ the left and right limits agree, so $F(x)$ is also continuous at $x = R$. To see this, compute the left and right limits

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow R^-} F(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow R^-} \frac{GMx}{R^3} = \frac{GM}{R^2}; \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow R^+} F(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow R^+} \frac{GM}{x^2} = \frac{GM}{R^2}.$$

$F(x)$ is not differentiable. Because $F(x)$ is a linear function for $x < R$ and inverse quadratic if $R < x$, to the left and right of $x = R$ the functions are differentiable. But there is a kink in $F(x)$ at $x = R$ because the slopes to the left and to the right are different so F is not differentiable at $x = R$. The limits of the left and right derivatives differ. To see this, compute the left and right limits

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow R^-} F'(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow R^-} \frac{GM}{R^3} = \frac{GM}{R^3}; \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow R^+} F'(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow R^+} -\frac{2GM}{x^3} = -\frac{2GM}{R^3}.$$

5. (a) Show that $(2, 1)$ is a point on the lemniscate curve. Find the slope of the tangent line at the point $(2, 1)$.

$$3(x^2 + y^2)^2 = 25(x^2 - y^2). \quad (1)$$

At the point $(2, 1)$ the left and right sides evaluate to

$$\text{LHS} = 3(x^2 + y^2)^2 = 3(2^2 + 1^2)^2 = 3 \cdot 5^2 = 75;$$

$$\text{RHS} = 25(x^2 - y^2) = 25(2^2 - 1^2) = 25 \cdot 3 = 75.$$

They are equal so (1) holds at $(x, y) = (2, 1)$.

Differentiating implicitly with respect to x and remembering that $y = y(x)$ is a function of x we get dividing by two,

$$3 \cdot 2(x^2 + y^2) \cdot \left(2x + 2y \frac{dy}{dx} \right) = 25 \left(2x - 2y \frac{dy}{dx} \right)$$

$$6(x^2 + y^2)x + 6(x^2 + y^2)y \frac{dy}{dx} = 25x - 25y \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$(6(x^2 + y^2) + 25) y \frac{dy}{dx} = (25 - 6(x^2 + y^2)) x$$

At $(2, 1)$ this yields

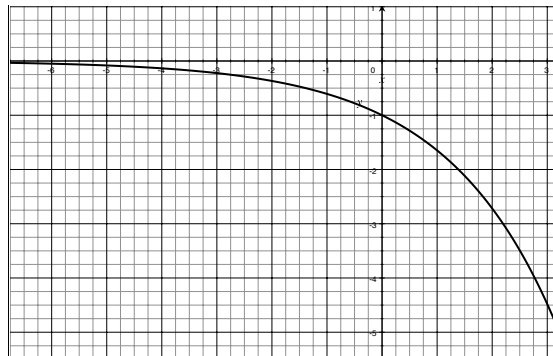
$$55 \frac{dy}{dx} = (6(2^2 + 1^2) + 25) \frac{dy}{dx} = (25 - 6(2^2 + 1^2)) \cdot 2 = -10,$$

hence

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{10}{55} = -\frac{2}{11}.$$

- (b) Sketch the graph of a function whose first and second derivatives are negative.

Consider $f(x) = -e^{x/2}$. Then $f'(x) = -\frac{1}{2}e^{x/2} < 0$ and $f''(x) = -\frac{1}{4}e^{x/2} < 0$.



Graph of $f(x) = -e^{x/2}$ whose $f' < 0$ and $f'' < 0$.