

Remedial Lesson 2: All the Differentiation You Needed

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1 Table of Differentiations

Rules	Formula
Addition Rule	
Constant	
Product Rule	
Quotient Rule	
Chain Rule	
Parametric Function	$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{dt} / \frac{dx}{dt}$
Inverse Function	$\frac{dy}{dx} = \left(\frac{dx}{dy}\right)^{-1}$

$f(x)$	$f'(x)$	$f(x)$	$f'(x)$
k		$\sin x$	
x		$\cos x$	
x^n		$\tan x$	
e^x		$\cot x$	
$\ln x$		$\sec x$	
		$\csc x$	

2 Exponential Functions

- We have something called _____, $e = 2.717828\dots$

$$e = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n$$

- Raising e to the power of x (i.e. $f(x) = e^x$) is called the _____ function. For convenience, we may write it as $f(x) = \exp(x)$

- Differentiation:

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

- Example:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dx}e^{-\lambda x} &= \\ &= e^{-\lambda x} \left(\quad \right) \\ &= -\lambda e^{-\lambda x}\end{aligned}$$

3 Logarithmic Function

- If $y = e^x$, then we define $x = \ln y$. Where \ln is the _____.

- Differentiation:

$$\frac{d}{dx} \ln x = \frac{1}{x}$$

- Example:

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

Exercises

1. Evaluate $\frac{d}{dx} [\ln(e^{2x} + e^{2a}) - \ln(e^{x-a} + e^{a-x}) + \frac{a}{x} \tan x]$

2. Evaluate $\frac{d}{dx} (\ln \ln x)$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dx} (\ln \ln x) \\ &= \\ &= \end{aligned}$$

3. Evaluate $\frac{d}{dx} \log_{10} x$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{d}{dx} \log_{10} x \\ &= \frac{d}{dx} \left(\quad \right) \\ &= \\ &= \end{aligned}$$

4. Evaluate $\frac{d}{dx} \exp(\tan x^2)$

5. If $f(x) = e^{-x/a} \cos\left(\frac{x}{a}\right)$, find $f(0) + af'(0)$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} f(x) &= \frac{d}{dx} \left[e^{-x/a} \cos\left(\frac{x}{a}\right) \right] \\ &= \quad + e^{-x/a} \frac{d}{dx} \cos\left(\frac{x}{a}\right) \\ &= \\ &= \\ &= -\frac{1}{a} e^{-x/a} \left[\cos\left(\frac{x}{a}\right) + \sin\left(\frac{x}{a}\right) \right] \\ \therefore f'(0) &= -\frac{1}{a} e^0 [\cos(0) + \sin(0)] \\ &= \\ f(0) &= \\ \therefore f(0) + af'(0) &= \end{aligned}$$

6. Show that $y = \exp(2x) \sin x$ satisfies $y'' - 4y' + 5y = 0$

4 Differentiation of Inverse Function

- Rule of Thumb:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{dx/dy}$$

4.1 Inverse Trigonometric Functions

- Example:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } & x = \sin y \\ \therefore & y = \sin^{-1} x \\ & \frac{dx}{dy} = \cos y \\ & = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 y} \\ & = \\ \therefore & \frac{dy}{dx} = \\ \therefore & \frac{d}{dx}(\sin^{-1} x) = \end{aligned}$$

- Formulae to be used:

$$\begin{aligned} \sin^2 x + \cos^2 x &= 1 \\ \sec^2 x &= \tan^2 x + 1 \\ \csc^2 x &= \cot^2 x + 1 \end{aligned}$$

- Complete the following table:

$f(x)$	$f'(x)$
$\sin^{-1} x$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$
$\cos^{-1} x$	
$\tan^{-1} x$	
$\cot^{-1} x$	
$\sec^{-1} x$	
$\csc^{-1} x$	

4.2 Other inverse functions

- Example:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Let } & y = \sqrt{x} \\ \therefore & x = y^2 \\ & \frac{dx}{dy} = 2y \\ & = 2\sqrt{x} \\ \frac{d}{dx}(\sqrt{x}) &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}\end{aligned}$$

Exercises

1. If $y = \sin^{-1} \frac{2x-7}{3}$, find $\frac{dy}{dx}$

2. If $y = \tan^{-1} e^x$, find $\frac{dy}{dx}$

3. If $y = \sec^{-1} \tan x$, find $\frac{dy}{dx}$

4. Show that if $y = (\sin^{-1} x)^2$, $(1 - x^2)y'' - xy' = 2$

5 Implicit Functions

- Implicit function: Those given as an equation, but not a function
- Example of _____ function: Circle equation

$$(x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 = r^2$$

- Example of _____ function: Semicircle

$$y = k + \sqrt{r^2 - (x - h)^2}$$

- Differentiation of implicit function: Use the rules to differentiate both side, then simplify
- Example: Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ from the standard form of circle equation

$$\begin{aligned} (x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 &= r^2 \\ \therefore 2(x - h) + 2(y - k) \frac{dy}{dx} &= 0 \\ \frac{dy}{dx} &= -\frac{x - h}{y - k} \end{aligned}$$

6 Application of Differentiation

6.1 Parametric functions

- Curves may be expressed as _____, such as circle, it can be expressed in standard form:

$$x^2 + y^2 = r^2$$

or in parametric form:

$$\begin{cases} x = r \cos \theta \\ y = r \sin \theta \end{cases}$$

- If a curve is presented in parametric form, the derivative $\frac{dy}{dx}$ is given by

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{d\theta} \bigg/ \frac{dx}{d\theta}$$

- Example: Use the parametric form of circle

$$\begin{cases} x = r \cos \theta + h \\ y = r \sin \theta + k \end{cases}$$

to find $\frac{dy}{dx}$.

$$\begin{aligned} x &= r \cos \theta + h \\ \therefore \frac{dx}{d\theta} &= -r \sin \theta \\ y &= r \sin \theta + k \\ \therefore \frac{dy}{d\theta} &= r \cos \theta \\ \therefore \frac{dy}{dx} &= \\ &= \\ &= -\frac{x-h}{y-k} \end{aligned}$$

6.2 Find tangents and normals

- Tangents: Limit of chord on a curve
- Normals: Lines cutting the curve and perpendicular to the tangent at that point
- Differentiation can help to find the slope, so that you can use straight line formulae to find the tangents or normals
- Example: Find the equation of tangent at point (0,2) from the circle $x^2 + y^2 = 4$.

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 + y^2 &= 4 \\ \therefore 2x + 2y \frac{dy}{dx} &= 0 \\ \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{-x}{y} \\ \therefore \left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{(0,2)} &= \frac{0}{2} = 0 \\ \therefore \text{Equation is: } y - 2 &= 0(x - 0) \\ \implies y &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

Exercises

1. Determine the constants A and B such that the normal to the curve $y = Ae^x + Be^{-x}$ at $(0, 2)$ will be parallel to the line $3x - y = 4$

$$\begin{aligned}
 y &= Ae^x + Be^{-x} \\
 \frac{dy}{dx} &= Ae^x - Be^{-x} \\
 \therefore \frac{dy}{dx} \Big|_{(0,2)} &= A - B = 3 \quad (\text{slope}) \\
 2 &= Ae^0 + Be^0 = A + B \quad (\text{point}) \\
 \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A \\ B \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \\
 \begin{bmatrix} A \\ B \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} \\ \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

2. Prove that curves $y = \exp(x^2)/ex$ and $y = x^2 - \ln x^3$ intersect at right angles at the point $(1, 1)$

3. Find the equation of the tangent at $t = t_1$ to the curve given by the parametric equations $\begin{cases} x = a(t - \sin t) \\ y = a(1 - \cos t) \end{cases}$

4. Find the equations of tangent and normal at the point $(4,3)$ to the curve given by the parametric equations $x = t^2$ and $y = 2t - 1$. Show that the normal cuts the curve again at the point where $t = -3$.

5. Find the values of $\frac{dy}{dx}$ and $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ when $t = \frac{\pi}{2}$ in the following parametric equations:
$$\begin{cases} x = a(nt - \sin t) \\ y = a(t + \sin t) \end{cases}$$