

## Using the Derivative

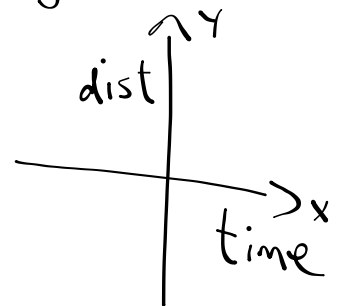
If the function  $y = 5x^3 - 6x^2 + 8x - 4$

represents a dist/time graph,

then  $y' = 15x^2 - 12x + 8$  (velocity)

and  $y'' = 30x - 12$  (acceleration)

and  $y''' = 30$  (jerk)



Other notations:

IV V VI ...  
IIII IIII

$y'$	$y''$	$y'''$ ...	$y^n$ ← Roman numerals
$f'(x)$	$f''(x)$	$f'''(x)$ ...	$f^n(x)$ ← numero

$\frac{dy}{dx}$	$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$	$\frac{d^3y}{dx^3}$ ...	$\frac{d^n y}{dx^n}$
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$D_x y$	$D_x^2 y$	$D_x^3 y$ ...	$D_x^n y$
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ex) Given  $y = \sqrt{x} + 4x$  find  $D_x^2 y$  (2<sup>nd</sup> deriv.)

$$y = x^{1/2} + 4x$$

$$y' = \frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2} + 4$$

$$y'' = -\frac{1}{4}x^{-3/2}$$

What does  $y(1)$  mean?

$$y(1) = 1^{1/2} + 4(1) = 5$$

$(1, 5)$  is a point.

What does  $y'(1)$  mean?

$$y'(1) = \frac{1}{2}(1)^{-1/2} + 4 = 4\frac{1}{2}$$

Slope of tangent is  $4\frac{1}{2}$   
at  $x=1$ .

What does  $y''(1)$  mean?

$$y''(1) = -\frac{1}{4}(1)^{-3/2} = -\frac{1}{4}$$

Slope is decreasing  
gradually since  $y''$   
is a small neg. #  
(concave down)



ex) Given  $p(x) = \frac{1}{x^3} + x^2$ , find  $p(1)$ ,  $p'(1)$ ,  $p''(1)$

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

$$p'(x) = -3x^{-4} + 2x \quad p'(1) = -1 \quad \text{Slope of tangent at } (1, 2) \text{ is } -1$$

$$p''(x) = 12x^{-5} + 2 \quad p''(1) = 14 \quad \text{Slope is increasing quickly (concave up)}$$

ex) Given  $y = 5x^2 + 2x^{1.4}$  find  $\frac{dy}{dx}\bigg|_{x=1}$ .

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 10x + 2.8x^{0.4}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx}\bigg|_{x=1} = 10(1) + 2.8(1)^{0.4} = 12.8$$

Slope of tangent is +12.8 at  $x=1$ .

Finish pg. 101-103 #7-17 try #18  
(more on 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> derivatives later...)

Read pg. 119 and do pg. 120 #1-10