

2.3 The Exponential and Natural Logarithm Functions

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2.4 General Exponential and Logarithmic Functions

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3 Topics in Differential Calculus**3.1 Tangent Lines**

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19. Suppose it takes 8 hours for 30% of a radioactive substance to decay. Find the half-life of the substance.

$$A(t) = A_0 e^{kt}$$

$A(t)$ = amount of radioactive material remaining at time t

A_0 = initial amount

$$A(0) = A_0$$

t_H = half-life = time to reduce $A(t)$ by $\frac{1}{2}$

$$A(8) = 0.7 A_0$$

Find t_H

$$A(8) = A_0 e^{k(8)} = 0.7 A_0$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{8k} = 0.7$$

solve for k

$$\ln(e^{8k}) = \ln(0.7)$$

$$8k = \ln(0.7)$$

$$k = \frac{\ln(0.7)}{8}$$

$$A(t) = A_0 e^{\left(\frac{\ln(0.7)}{8}\right)t}$$

$$A(t_H) = A_0 e^{\left(\frac{\ln(0.7)}{8}\right)t_H} = \frac{A_0}{2}$$

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$$\Rightarrow e^{\left(\frac{\ln(0.7)}{8}\right)t_H} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln\left[e^{\left(\frac{\ln(0.7)}{8}\right)t_H}\right] = \ln\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$= \frac{\ln(0.7)}{8} t_H = \ln\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow t_H = \frac{8 \ln\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}{\ln(0.7)}$$

$\frac{8 \cdot \ln\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}{\ln(0.7)}$	15.5469
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The half-life is approximately 15.5 hours

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For Exercises 15-18, use logarithmic differentiation to find $\frac{dy}{dx}$.

17. $y = x^{\sin x}$

$$\ln y = \ln(x^{\sin x})$$

$$\ln y = (\sin x) \ln(x)$$

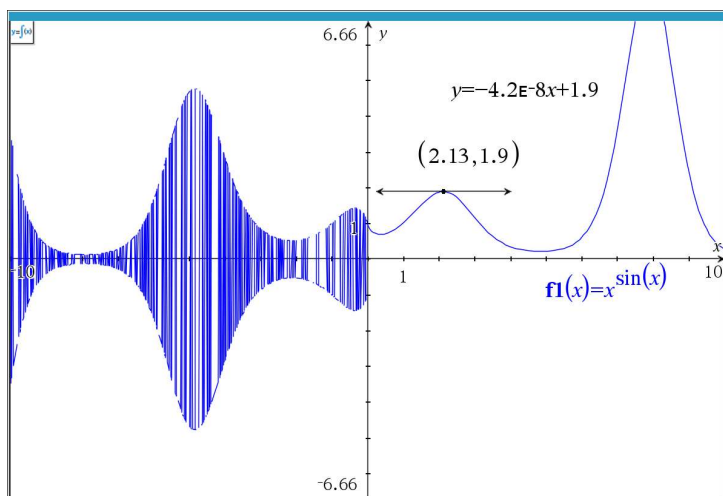
$$\frac{d}{dx}(\ln y) = \frac{d}{dx}((\sin x) \ln x)$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{y}\right) \frac{dy}{dx} = (\sin x) \frac{d}{dx}(\ln x) + \ln(x) \frac{d}{dx}(\sin x)$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{y}\right) \frac{dy}{dx} = (\sin x) \left(\frac{1}{x}\right) + \ln(x) \cos x$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = y \left[\frac{\sin x}{x} + \ln(x) \cos x \right]$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = x^{\sin x} \left[\frac{\sin x}{x} + \ln(x) \cos x \right]$$



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Memorize

For a curve $y = f(x)$ that is differentiable at $x = a$, the **tangent line** to the curve at the point $P = (a, f(a))$ is the unique line through P with slope $m = f'(a)$. P is called the **point of tangency**. The equation of the tangent line is thus given by:

$$y - f(a) = f'(a) \cdot (x - a) \quad (3.1)$$

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

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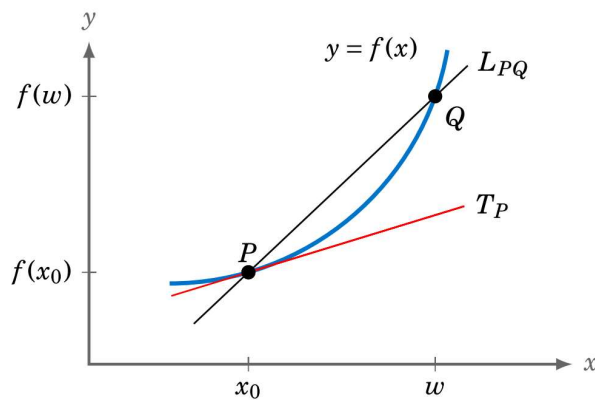
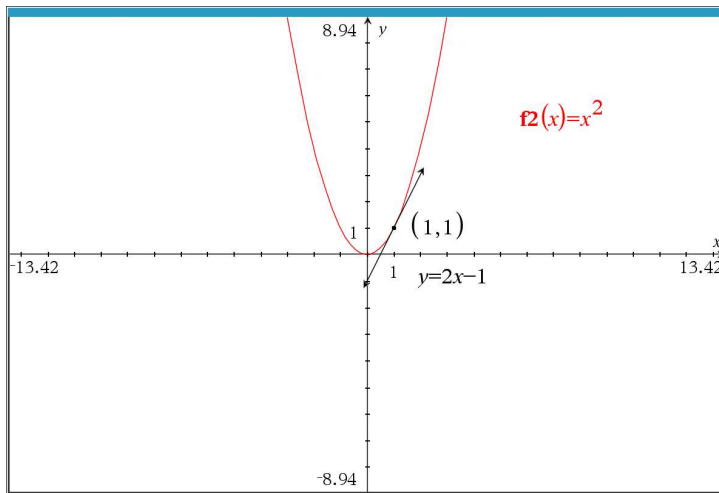


Figure 3.1.5 Secant line L_{PQ} approaching the tangent line T_P as $Q \rightarrow P$

memorize

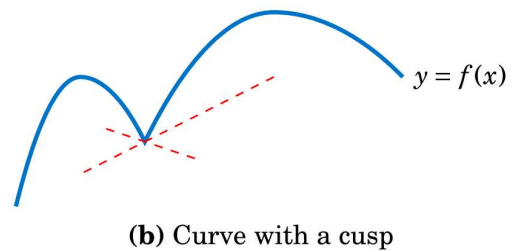
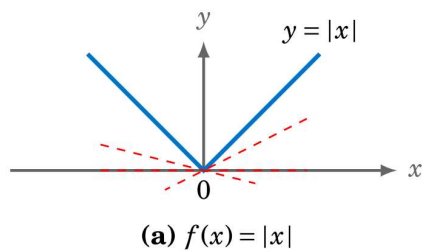


Figure 3.1.6 Nonsmooth curves: no tangent line at the nonsmooth points

Supplied (not on exam)

The tangent line to a curve $y = f(x)$ makes an angle $\phi(x)$ with the positive x -axis, given by

$$\phi(x) = \tan^{-1} f'(x) . \quad (3.2)$$

Memorize

The equation of the normal line to a curve $y = f(x)$ at a point $P = (a, f(a))$ is

$$y - f(a) = -\frac{1}{f'(a)}(x - a) \quad \text{if } f'(a) \neq 0 \quad (3.3)$$

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If $f'(a) = 0$, then the normal line is vertical and is given by $x = a$.

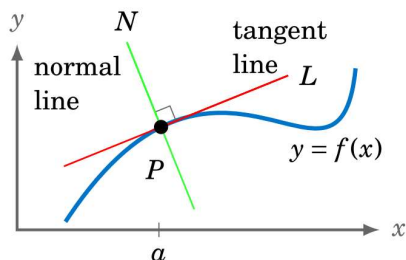


Figure 3.1.8 Normal line N

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For Exercises 1-12, find the equation of the tangent line to the curve $y = f(x)$ at $x = a$.

6. $f(x) = e^x$; at $x = 0$

Do this first analytically, then graphically. Sketch a labeled graph.

Hint: slope of tangent line = derivative of the function at that point

point of tangency

$$f(0) = e^0 = 1$$

point of tangency is $(0, 1)$

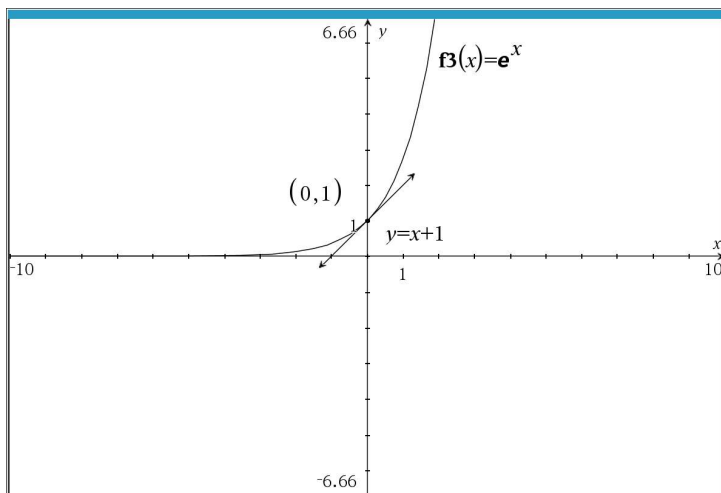
$$f'(x) = \frac{d}{dx}(e^x) = e^x$$

$$f'(0) = e^0 = 1$$

$$y - 1 = 1(x - 0)$$

$$y - 1 = x$$

$$\boxed{y = x + 1}$$



Quiz 4 Your Name MTH 263 Write each problem. Closed notes, need calculator.

1. **13.** Show that $\frac{d}{dx}(\ln(kx)) = \frac{1}{x}$ for all constants $k > 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{d}{dx}(\ln(kx)) \\ &= \frac{1}{kx} \frac{d}{dx}(kx) = \left(\frac{1}{kx}\right)(k) = \boxed{\frac{1}{x}} \\ & \frac{d}{dx}(\ln(kx)) = \frac{d}{dx}(\ln k + \ln x) \\ &= 0 + \frac{1}{x} = \boxed{\frac{1}{x}} \end{aligned}$$

2. Use log differentiation to find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ for

$$y = \frac{(x^2+2)(3-x)}{x^2}$$

$$\ln y = \ln \left(\frac{(x^2+2)(3-x)}{x^2} \right)$$

$$\ln y = \ln(x^2+2) + \ln(3-x) - \ln(x^2)$$

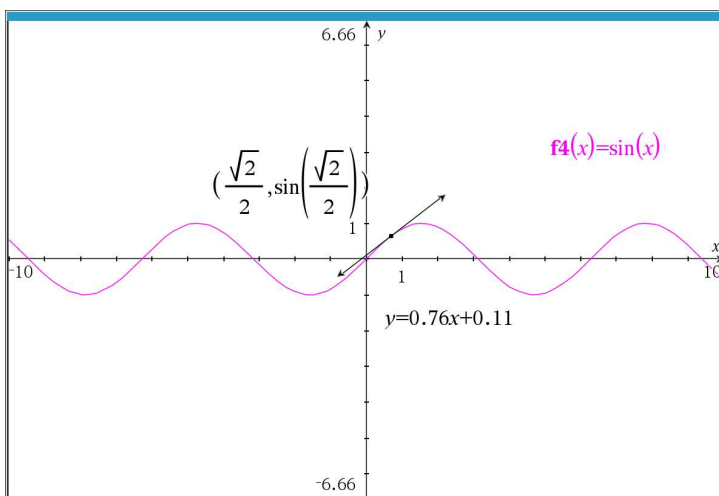
$$\frac{d}{dx}(\ln y) = \frac{d}{dx}(\ln(x^2+2) + \ln(3-x) - \ln(x^2))$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{y}\right) \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{x^2+2}(2x) + \frac{1(-1)}{3-x} - \left(\frac{1}{x^2}\right)(2x)$$

$$\boxed{\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{(x^2+2)(3-x)}{x^2} \left(\frac{2x}{x^2+2} - \frac{1}{3-x} - \frac{2}{x} \right)}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{(x^2+2)(3-x)}{x^2} \left(\frac{2x}{x^2+2} - \frac{1}{3-x} - \frac{2}{x} \right)$$

3. Find the equation of the tangent line to $f(x) = \sin(x)$ at the point $x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$. First manually, then graphically. Sketch a labeled graph. Round answer to nearest hundredth.



$$y - f\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) = f'\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)\left(x - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{d}{dx} \sin x = \cos x$$

$$f'\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) = \cos\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$$

$$y - \sin\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) = \cos\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)\left(x - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \sin(1/\sqrt{2}) \\ \cos(1/\sqrt{2}) \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} 0.6496369391 \\ 0.7602445971 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} 0.65 - 0.76 \cdot 0.71 \\ 0.1104 \end{array}$$

$$y - 0.65 = 0.76(x - 0.71)$$

$$y = 0.76x + 0.65 - (0.76)(0.71)$$

$$y = 0.76x - 0.11 \quad \text{tangent line}$$