

Unit # 13, Differentiation

Differentiation:

Differentiation of a function $y = f(x)$ is the process of finding the derivative $f'(x)$, which represents the rate of change of 'y' with respect to 'x'.

Mathematically, it is defined as:

$$f'(x) = \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x + \delta x) - f(x)}{\delta x}$$

Where

- δx is a very small increment in x .
- $f(x + \delta x) - f(x)$ is the corresponding change in y .

In simple words:

Differentiation measure how a small change in x affects y .

Example: Speed of a car

Derivative as the Limit of a Difference Quotient:

Let f be a real valued function continuous in the interval $(x, x_1) \subseteq D_f$ then $\frac{f(x_1) - f(x)}{x_1 - x}$ is called average rate of change of the function.

If x_1 approaches to x then $\lim_{x_1 \rightarrow x} \frac{f(x_1) - f(x)}{x_1 - x}$ is called the instantaneous rate of change of function with

respect to x and is written as $f'(x)$ (read as "f prime of x")



Finding $f'(x)$ from definition of derivative:

$$\text{If } y = f(x) \quad (i)$$

$$\text{Step 1} \quad y + \delta y = f(x + \delta x) \quad (ii)$$

Subtracting equation (i) from equation (ii)

$$\text{Step 2} \quad \delta y = f(x + \delta x) - f(x)$$

$$\text{Step 3} \quad \frac{\delta y}{\delta x} = \frac{f(x + \delta x) - f(x)}{\delta x}$$

$$\text{Step 4} \quad \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta y}{\delta x} = \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x + \delta x) - f(x)}{\delta x} \text{ and}$$

$$\lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta y}{\delta x} \text{ is denoted by } \frac{dy}{dx}, \text{ so}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x + \delta x) - f(x)}{\delta x}$$



EXERCISE 13.1

1. Find by definition, the derivatives w.r.t 'x' of the following functions defined as:

(i) $y = 2x^2 + 1$

Solution:

Let $y = 2x^2 + 1$

Step I: Taking small increment

$$y + \delta y = 2(x + \delta x)^2 + 1$$

Step II:

$$\delta y = 2(x + \delta x)^2 + 1 - y$$

$$\delta y = 2(x^2 + (\delta x)^2 + 2x.\delta x) + 1 - 2x^2 - 1$$

$$\delta y = 2x^2 + 2(\delta x)^2 + 4x\delta x + 1 - 2x^2 - 1$$

$$\delta y = \delta x[2\delta x + 4x]$$

Step III: Divide by δx on both sides,

$$\frac{\delta y}{\delta x} = \frac{\delta x}{\delta x}[2\delta x + 4x]$$

Step IV: Taking limit as δx approaches to 0,

$$\lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta y}{\delta x} = \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} (2\delta x + 4x)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2(0) + 4x$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 4x$$

(ii) $y = 2 - \sqrt{x}$

Solution:

Let $y = 2 - \sqrt{x}$

Taking small increment,

$$y + \delta y = 2 - \sqrt{x + \delta x}$$

$$\delta y = 2 - \sqrt{x + \delta x} - y$$

$$\delta y = 2 - \sqrt{x + \delta x} - (2 - \sqrt{x})$$

$$\delta y = 2 - \sqrt{x + \delta x} - 2 + \sqrt{x}$$

$$\delta y = \sqrt{x} - \sqrt{x + \delta x}$$

$$\delta y = (\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{x + \delta x}) \cdot \left[\frac{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x + \delta x}}{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x + \delta x}} \right]$$

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

$$\delta y = \frac{x - x - \delta x}{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x + \delta x}}$$

$$\delta y = \delta x \left[\frac{-1}{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x + \delta x}} \right]$$

Dividing by δx on both sides



$$\frac{\delta y}{\delta x} = \frac{\delta x}{\delta x} \left[\frac{-1}{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x + \delta x}} \right]$$

Taking limit as δx approaches to 0,

$$\lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta y}{\delta x} = \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-1}{(\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x + \delta x})}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-1}{(\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x + 0})}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \quad \because y = 2 - \sqrt{x}$$

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

(iii) $y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$

Solution:

Let $y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$

Taking small increment,

$$y + \delta y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x + \delta x}}$$

$$\delta y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x + \delta x}} - y$$

$$\delta y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x + \delta x}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$$

$$\delta y = \frac{\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{x + \delta x}}{\sqrt{x} \cdot \sqrt{x + \delta x}}$$

Rationalizing by numerator

$$\delta y = \frac{\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{x + \delta x}}{\sqrt{x} \cdot \sqrt{x + \delta x}} \cdot \left[\frac{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x + \delta x}}{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x + \delta x}} \right]$$

$$\delta y = \frac{(\sqrt{x})^2 - (\sqrt{x + \delta x})^2}{\sqrt{x} \cdot \sqrt{x + \delta x} [\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x + \delta x}]}$$

$$\delta y = \frac{x - x - \delta x}{\sqrt{x} \cdot \sqrt{x + \delta x} [\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x + \delta x}]}$$

$$\delta y = \delta x \left[\frac{-1}{\sqrt{x} \cdot \sqrt{x + \delta x} [\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x + \delta x}]} \right]$$

Dividing by δx on both sides

$$\frac{\delta y}{\delta x} = \frac{\delta x}{\delta x} \left[\frac{-1}{\sqrt{x} \cdot \sqrt{x + \delta x} [\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x + \delta x}]} \right]$$

Taking limit as δx approaches to 0,

$$\lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta y}{\delta x} = \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{-1}{\sqrt{x} \cdot \sqrt{x + \delta x} [\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x + \delta x}]} \right] \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x} \cdot \sqrt{x + 0} [\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x + 0}]}$$



$$\frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}\right) = \frac{-1}{x(2\sqrt{x})}$$

$$\because a^m \cdot a^n = a^{m+n}$$

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

(iv) $y = x(x-3)$

Solution:

Let $y = x(x-3)$

$$y = x^2 - 3x$$

Taking small increment,

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

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

$$\delta y = x^2 + (\delta x)^2 + 2x\delta x - 3x - 3\delta x + 3x - x^2 \quad \delta y = 8x[\delta x + 2x - 3]$$

Dividing by δx

$$\frac{\delta y}{\delta x} = \frac{\delta x}{\delta x} [\delta x + 2x - 3]$$

Applying $\lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0}$ on both sides

$$\lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta y}{\delta x} = \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} (\delta x + 2x - 3)$$

$$\because \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta y}{\delta x} = \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 0 + 2x - 3$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} [x(x-3)] = 2x - 3$$

2. Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ from first principle and find gradient of curve at the given point.

(i) $\sqrt{x+2}$ at $x = 6$

Solution:

Let $y = \sqrt{x+2}$

Taking small increment,

$$y + \delta y = \sqrt{x + \delta x + 2}$$

$$\delta y = \sqrt{x + \delta x + 2} - y$$

$$\delta y = \sqrt{x + \delta x + 2} - \sqrt{x + 2}$$

By rationalizing, we get

$$\delta y = \sqrt{x + \delta x + 2} - \sqrt{x + 2} \cdot \left[\frac{\sqrt{x + \delta x + 2} + \sqrt{x + 2}}{\sqrt{x + \delta x + 2} + \sqrt{x + 2}} \right] \quad \delta y = \frac{(\sqrt{x + \delta x + 2})^2 - (\sqrt{x + 2})^2}{\sqrt{x + \delta x + 2} + \sqrt{x + 2}}$$

$$\delta y = \frac{x + \delta x + 2 - x - 2}{\sqrt{x + \delta x + 2} + \sqrt{x + 2}}$$



$$\delta y = \delta x \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{x+\delta x+2} + \sqrt{x+2}} \right]$$

Dividing by δx on both sides,

$$\frac{\delta y}{\delta x} = \frac{\delta x}{\delta x} \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{x+\delta x+2} + \sqrt{x+2}} \right]$$

Taking limit as δx approaches to 0,

$$\lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta y}{\delta x} = \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+\delta x+2} + \sqrt{x+2}}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+0+2} + \sqrt{x+2}}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x+2}}$$

At $x = 6$

$$\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{x=6} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{6+2}}$$

$$\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{x=6} = \frac{1}{4\sqrt{2}}$$

(ii) Let $y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+a}}$ at $x = a$

Solution:

$$y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+a}}$$

Taking small increment,

$$y + \delta y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+a+\delta x}}$$

$$\delta y = \frac{1}{x+a+\delta x} - y$$

$$\delta y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+a+\delta x}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+a}}$$

$$\delta y = \frac{\sqrt{x+a} - \sqrt{x+a+\delta x}}{\sqrt{x+a+\delta x} \cdot \sqrt{x+a}}$$

Rationalizing by numerator

$$\delta y = \frac{\sqrt{x+a} - \sqrt{x+a+\delta x}}{\sqrt{x+a+\delta x} \cdot \sqrt{x+a}} \cdot \left[\frac{\sqrt{x+a} + \sqrt{x+a+\delta x}}{\sqrt{x+a} + \sqrt{x+a+\delta x}} \right] \delta y = \frac{(\sqrt{x+a})^2 - (\sqrt{x+a+\delta x})^2}{(\sqrt{x+a+\delta x} \cdot \sqrt{x+a})(\sqrt{x+a} + \sqrt{x+a+\delta x})}$$

$$\delta y = \frac{x+a-x-a-\delta x}{(\sqrt{x+a+\delta x} \cdot \sqrt{x+a})(\sqrt{x+a} + \sqrt{x+a+\delta x})} \delta y = \delta x \left[\frac{-1}{(\sqrt{x+a+\delta x} \cdot \sqrt{x+a})(\sqrt{x+a} + \sqrt{x+a+\delta x})} \right] \text{ Dividing by } \delta x \text{ on both sides,}$$

$$\frac{\delta y}{\delta x} = \frac{\delta x}{\delta x} \left[\frac{-1}{\sqrt{x+a+\delta x} \cdot \sqrt{x+a} (\sqrt{x+a} + \sqrt{x+a+\delta x})} \right] \text{ Taking limit as } \delta x \text{ approaches to 0,}$$

$$\lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta y}{\delta x} = \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{-1}{(\sqrt{x+a+\delta x} \cdot \sqrt{x+a})(\sqrt{x+a} + \sqrt{x+a+\delta x})} \right] \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{x+a+0} \cdot \sqrt{x+a} [\sqrt{x+a+0} + \sqrt{x+a}]} \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-1}{(x+a)[2\sqrt{x+a}]}$$



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

At $x = a$

$$\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{x=0} = \frac{-1}{2(a+a)^{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

$$\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{x=a} = \frac{-1}{2(2a)^{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

$$\text{Gradient} = \frac{-1}{2^{\frac{3}{2}} \cdot a^{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

3.

(i) Find the derivative of $x^{\frac{2}{3}}$ at $x = 8$ from the first principle.

Solution:

Let $y = x^{\frac{2}{3}}$

Taking small increment,

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

Step II:

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

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

$$\delta y = x^{\frac{2}{3}} \left[1 + \frac{\delta x}{x} \right]^{\frac{2}{3}} - x^{\frac{2}{3}}$$

By using binomial series expansion $\therefore (1 + x)^n = 1 + nx + \dots$ involving terms $x \dots$

$$\delta y = x^{\frac{2}{3}} \left[1 + \frac{2}{3} \left(\frac{\delta x}{x} \right) + \dots \text{involving terms} \dots - 1 \right]$$

$$\delta y = x^{\frac{2}{3}} \delta x \left[\frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{x} + \dots \text{involving terms} \dots \left(\frac{\delta x}{x} \right) \right] \text{ Dividing by } \delta x \text{ on both sides,}$$

$$\frac{\delta y}{\delta x} = \frac{x^{\frac{2}{3}} \delta x}{\delta x} \left[\frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{x} + \dots \text{involving terms} \dots \frac{\delta x}{x} \right]$$

Taking limit as δx approaches to 0,

$$\lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta y}{\delta x} = \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} x^{\frac{2}{3}} \left[\frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{x} + \dots \text{involving terms} \dots \frac{\delta x}{x} \right] \frac{dy}{dx} = x^{\frac{2}{3}} \left[\frac{2}{3x} + 0 + 0 + \dots + 0 \dots \right]$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2}{3} x^{\frac{2}{3}-1}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2}{3} x^{-\frac{1}{3}}$$

At $x = 8$

$$\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{x=8} = \frac{2}{3} (8)^{-\frac{1}{3}}$$



$$\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{x=8} = \frac{2}{3} \times 2^{3 \times \frac{-1}{3}}$$

$$\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{x=8} = \frac{2}{3} 2^{-1}$$

$$\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{x=8} = \frac{1}{3}$$

(ii) Find the derivative of $x^2 + 2x + 3$ by definition.

Solution:

Let $y = x^2 + 2x + 3$

Taking small increment,

$$y + \delta y = (x + \delta x)^2 + 2(x + \delta x) + 3$$

Step II:

$$\delta y = x^2 + (\delta x)^2 + 2x\delta x + 2x + 2\delta x + 3 - y \quad \delta y = x^2 + (\delta x)^2 + 2x\delta x + 2\delta x + 3 - x^2 - 2x - 3 + 2x \quad \delta y = \delta x[\delta x + 2x + 2]$$

Dividing by δx on both sides,

$$\frac{\delta y}{\delta x} = \frac{\delta x}{\delta x}[\delta x + 2x + 2]$$

Taking limit as δx approaches to 0,

$$\lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta y}{\delta x} = \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} [\delta x + 2x + 2]$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 0 + 2x + 2$$

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

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

4. Find from first principle, the derivatives of the following expressions w.r.t their respective independent variables:

(i) $(3x - 2)^{-2}$

Solution:

Let $y = (3x - 2)^{-2}$

Taking small increment,

$$y + \delta y = [3(x + \delta x) - 2]^{-2}$$

Step II:

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

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

$$\delta y = (3x - 2)^{-2} \left[1 + \frac{3\delta x}{3x - 2} \right]^{-2} - (3x - 2)^{-2} \quad \delta y = (3x - 2)^{-2} \left[\left(1 + \frac{3\delta x}{3x - 2} \right)^{-2} - 1 \right]$$

By using Binomial series expansion

$$\because (1+x)^n = 1 + nx + \frac{n(n-1)}{2!}x^2 + \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)}{3!}x^3 + \dots$$



$$\therefore (1+x)^n = 1 + nx + \text{involving terms } x$$

$$\delta y = (3x-2)^{-2} \left[1 - 2 \frac{3\delta x}{3x-2} + \text{involving terms } -1 \right] \delta y = (3x-2)^{-2} \delta x \left[\frac{-6}{3x-2} + \text{involving terms } \delta x \right] \text{ Dividing by } \delta x \text{ on both sides,}$$

$$\frac{\delta y}{\delta x} = \frac{(3x-2)^{-2} \delta x}{\delta x} \left[\frac{-6}{3x-2} + \text{involving terms } \delta x \right] \text{ Taking limit as } \delta x \text{ approaches to 0,}$$

$$\lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta y}{\delta x} = \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} (3x-2)^{-2} \left[\frac{-6}{3x-2} + \text{involving terms } \delta x \right] \frac{dy}{dx} = (3x-2)^{-2} \left[\frac{-6}{3x-2} + 0 + 0 + \dots \right]$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -6(3x-2)^{-3}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(y) = -6(3x-2)^{-3}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(3x-2)^{-2} = -6(3x-2)^{-3}$$

(ii) $y = (2t+3)^5$

Solution:

Let $y = (2t+3)^5$

Taking small increment,

$$y + \delta y = [2(t + \delta t) + 3]^5$$

Step II:

$$\delta y = (2t + 3 + 2\delta t)^5 - y$$

$$\delta y = [(2t + 3) + 2\delta t]^5 - (2t + 3)^5$$

By using Binomial Theorem i-e

$$(a+b)^n = a^n + n.a^{n-1}b + \frac{n(n-1)}{2!}a^{n-2}b^2 + \dots + b^n$$

$$\delta y = (2t + 3)^5 + 5(2t + 3)^4 (2\delta t) + \dots$$

$$+ (2\delta t)^5 - (2t + 3)^5$$

$$\delta y = \delta t [10(2t + 3)^4 + \dots + 2^5 (\delta t)^4]$$

Dividing by δx on both sides,

$$\frac{\delta y}{\delta t} = \frac{\delta t}{\delta t} [10(2t + 3)^4 + \dots + 32(\delta t)^4]$$

Taking limit as δx approaches to 0,

$$\lim_{\delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta y}{\delta t} = \lim_{\delta t \rightarrow 0} [10(2t + 3)^4 + \dots + 32(\delta t)^4] \frac{dy}{dt} = 10(2t + 3)^4 + 0 + 0 + \dots + 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}(2t + 3)^5 = 10(2t + 3)^4$$

(iii) $y = (aw + b)^7$

Solution:

Let $y = (aw + b)^7$

Taking small increment,



$$y + \delta y = (aw + b + a\delta w)^7$$

Step II:

$$\delta y = (aw + b + a\delta w)^7 - y$$

$$\delta y = (aw + b + a\delta w)^7 - (aw + b)^7$$

By using binomial theorem from $n \in N$

$$(a + b)^n = a^n + n.a^{n-1}b + \dots + b^n$$

$$\delta y = (aw + b)^7 + 7.(aw + b)^6 a\delta w + \dots + (a\delta w)^7 - (aw + b)^7 \quad \delta y = \delta w [70(aw + b)^6 + \dots + a^7 . (\delta w)^6]$$

Dividing by δx on both sides,

$$\frac{\delta y}{\delta w} = \frac{\delta w}{\delta w} [7a(aw + b)^6 + \dots + a^7 (\delta w)^6]$$

Taking limit as δx approaches to 0,

$$\lim_{\delta w \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta y}{\delta w} = \lim_{\delta w \rightarrow 0} [7a(aw + b)^6 + \dots + a^7 (\delta w)^6] \frac{dy}{dw} = 7a(aw + b)^6 + 0 + 0 + \dots + 0^7 (0)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dw} = 7a(aw + b)^6$$

$$\frac{d}{dw} (aw + b)^7 = 7a(aw + b)^6$$

5. Find the gradient and equation of tangent line to $y = 3x^2 - 4x + 1$ at $x = 2$

Solution:

$$\text{Gradient} = m \Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a}$$

$$m = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{f(x) - f(2)}{x - 2}$$

$$m = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \left[\frac{3x^2 - 4x + 1 - (3(2)^2 - 4(2) + 1)}{x - 2} \right] \quad m = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \left[\frac{3x^2 - 4x + 1 - 5}{x - 2} \right]$$

$$m = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \left(\frac{3x^2 - 4x - 4}{x - 2} \right)$$

$$m = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \left(\frac{3x^2 - 6x + 2x - 4}{x - 2} \right)$$

$$m = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{(3x + 2)(x - 2)}{(x - 2)}$$

$$m = 3(2) + 2$$

$$m = 8$$

Hence gradient = 8

$$\text{If } x = 2 \text{ then } y = 3(2)^2 - 4(2) + 1$$

$$y = 12 - 8 + 1$$

$$y = 5$$

$$\text{So point is } (2, 5) = (x_1, y_1)$$



Equation of tangent is at (2,5)

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$y - 5 = 8(x - 2)$$

$$y - 5 = 8x - 16$$

$$8x - y - 11 = 0$$

$$y = 8x - 11$$

6. For the function $f(x) = 2x^3 + x$, calculate the equation of the tangent line at $x = -1$.

Solution:

Step I: To find point (x_1, y_1)

If $x_1 = -1$ then

$$y_1 = 2(-1)^3 + (-1)$$

$$y_1 = -3 \Rightarrow f(-1) = -3$$

$$P(x_1, y_1) = (-1, -3)$$

Step II:

To find slope (m) or gradient

$$m = \left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{(x_1, y_1)}$$

$$m = \frac{d}{dx}(2x^3 + x) \text{ at } (-1, -3)$$

$$m = 2 \frac{d}{dx} x^3 + \frac{d}{dx}(x) \text{ at } (-1, -3)$$

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

$$m = 2(3)x^2 + 1 \text{ at } (-1, -3)$$

$$m = 6(-1)^2 + 1$$

$$m = 7$$

Required Eq. of tangent is

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$y - (-3) = 7(x - (-1))$$

$$y + 3 = 7x + 7$$

$$y = 7x + 4$$

7. Find the coordinates of the point of tangency and the equation of tangent line for $f(x) = x^3 - 2x + 1$ at $x = 1$

Solution:

For point of tangency

$$\text{If } x = 1 \text{ then } y = (1)^3 - 2(1) + 1$$

$$y = 1 - 2 + 1$$

$$y = 0$$

Point of tangency is (1,0)

Slope of tangent line

$$m = \left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{(x_1, y_1)}$$

$$\because y = f(x)$$



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

$$m = 3x^2 - 2 \text{ at } (1,0)$$

$$m = 3(1)^2 - 2$$

$$m = 1 \text{ and } P(1,0)$$

Required equation of tangent is

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

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

$$y = x - 1$$

8. Find the gradient of the curve $f(x) = 3x^2 + 2x$ at $x = 1$

Solution:

Gradient = m

$$m = \frac{dy}{dx} \text{ at } (x_1, y_1)$$

$$\text{If } x_1 = 1 \text{ then } y_1 = 3(1)^2 + 2(1)$$

$$x_1 = 1 \text{ then } y_1 = 5$$

$$(x_1, y_1) = (1, 5)$$

$$m = \frac{d}{dx} (3x^2 + 2x) \text{ at } (1, 5)$$

$$m = 3 \frac{d}{dx} x^2 + 2 \frac{d}{dx} (x) \text{ at } (1, 5)$$

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

$$m = 3(2)(x) + 2(1) \text{ at } (1, 5)$$

$$m = 6x + 2 \text{ at } (1, 5)$$

$$m = 6(1) + 2$$

$$m = 8$$

9. Find the gradient and an equation of tangent line to the graph of $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$ at $x = 9$.

Solution:

$$f(x) = \sqrt{x} \Rightarrow y = \sqrt{x}$$

$$\text{If } x = 9 \text{ then } y = \sqrt{9}$$

$$x = 9 \text{ and } y = 3$$

So point of tangency is $(9, 3)$

$$\text{Gradient} \Rightarrow m = \frac{dy}{dx} \text{ at } (x_1, y_1)$$

$$\text{Here } y = \sqrt{x}$$

$$(x_1, y_1) = (9, 3)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx} (x)^{\frac{1}{2}} \text{ at } (9, 3)$$

By using theorem

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



$$m = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \text{ at } (9,3)$$

$$m = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{9}} \Rightarrow m = \frac{1}{6}$$

Equation of tangent line is:

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$y - 3 = \frac{1}{6}(x - 9)$$

$$6y - 18 = x - 9$$

$$x - 6y + 9 = 0$$

is required equation of tangent

10. The position of a car after t hours is given by: $s(t) = 2t^3 - 3t^2 + t$ (in kilometres)

(i) Find average velocity over the interval $[1,4]$

Solution:

$$s(t) = 2t^3 - 3t^2 + t$$

$$[1,4] = (a,b)$$

Let $s(t)$ distance equation by using formula.

$$\text{Average velocity} = \frac{s(b) - s(a)}{b - a}$$

$$s(b) = s(4) \Rightarrow 2(4)^3 - 3(4)^2 + 4$$

$$s(4) = 128 - 48 + 4$$

$$s(4) = 80 + 4$$

$$s(4) = 84$$

$$s(a) = s(1) \Rightarrow 2(1)^3 - 3(1)^2 + 4$$

$$s(1) = 2 - 3 + 4$$

$$s(1) = 3$$

$$\text{Average velocity} = \frac{s(4) - s(1)}{4 - 1}$$

$$\text{Average velocity} = \frac{84 - 3}{3}$$

$$\text{Average velocity} = 27 \text{ km/h}$$



(ii) Find the instantaneous velocity at $t = 2$

Solution:

Instantaneous Velocity at $t = 2$

$$\text{Instantaneous Velocity } \lim_{t \rightarrow 2} \frac{s(t) - s(2)}{t - 2}$$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} = f'(a)$$

So,

$$s'(t) = 2 \frac{d}{dt}(t)^3 - 3 \frac{d}{dt}(t)^2 + \frac{d}{dt}(t)$$

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

$$s'(t) = 6t^2 - 6t + 1$$

$$s'(2) = 24 - 12 + 1$$

$$s'(2) = 13$$

So Instantaneous Velocity is 13km/h

$$s(t) = -16t^2 + 32t + 10$$

11. A stone is thrown upwards and its height after t seconds is given by: $s(t) = -16t^2 + 32t + 10$ (in feet), find the instantaneous velocity at $t = 1$.

Solution:

$$s(t) = -16t^2 + 32t + 10$$

$$v(t) = s'(t) = \frac{d}{dt}(-16t^2 + 32t + 10)$$

$$\therefore \frac{d}{dt}(at^n) = nat^{n-1} :$$

$$v(t) = -16(2)t^{2-1} + 32(1)t^{1-1} + 0$$

$$v(t) = -32t + 32$$

Instantaneous velocity at $t = 1$

Substitute $t = 1$ into the velocity function $v(t)$

$$v(1) = -32(1) + 32$$

$$v(1) = -32 + 32$$

$$v(1) = 0$$

The instantaneous velocity at $t = 1$ is 0 feet per second.

12. The outdoor temperature (in °C) over time is modeled by: $T(t) = -t^2 + 12t + 10$, where t is the time in hours. Find the instantaneous rate of change at $t = 2$.

Solution:

By using formula

$$\text{Instantaneous Rate of change} = \lim_{t \rightarrow a} \frac{T(t) - T(a)}{t - a}$$



$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} = f'(a)$$

$$T'(a) = \lim_{t \rightarrow a} \frac{T(t) - T(a)}{t - a}$$

$$T(t) = -t^2 + 12t + 10$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}[T(t)] = -\frac{d}{dt}t^2 + 12\frac{d}{dt}(t) + \frac{d}{dt}(10)$$

$$T'(t) = -2t + 12$$

$$T'(2) = -2(2) + 12$$

$$T'(2) = 8$$

