

4.3 Day 2

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AP Calculus AB 4.3 Notes Day 2

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Derivatives of Inverse Functions

Find each of the following derivatives at the given x-values.

1. $f(x) = x^2$ at $x = 3$ $(3, 9)$
 $f'(x) = 2x \Big|_{x=3} = 6$

$g(x) = \sqrt{x}$ at $x = 9$ $(9, 3)$
 $g'(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2} \Big|_{x=9} = \frac{1}{6}$

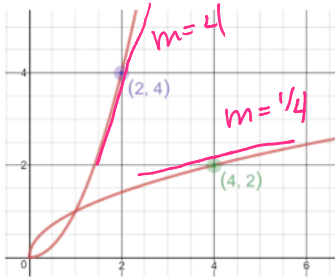
2. $f(x) = x^3$ at $x = 2$ $(2, 8)$
 $f'(x) = 3x^2 \Big|_{x=2} = 12$

$g(x) = \sqrt[3]{x}$ at $x = 8$ $(8, 2)$
 $g'(x) = \frac{1}{3}x^{-2/3} \Big|_{x=8} = \frac{1}{12}$

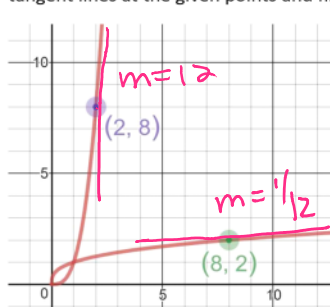
3. $f(x) = x^4$ at $x = 2$ $(2, 16)$ $f'(x) = 4x^3 \Big|_{x=2} = 32$
 $f'(16) = \frac{1}{g'(2)}$ $g'(x) = \frac{1}{4}x^{-3/4} \Big|_{x=16} = \frac{1}{32}$

4. $f(x) = x^5$ at $x = 2$ $(2, 32)$ $f'(x) = 5x^4 \Big|_{x=2} = 80$
 $f'(32) = \frac{1}{g'(2)}$ $g'(x) = \frac{1}{5}x^{-4/5} \Big|_{x=32} = \frac{1}{80}$
 $g'(32) = (f^{-1})'(32) = \frac{1}{f'(2)}$

5. Below are the graphs of two functions $f(x) = x^2$ and its inverse $f^{-1}(x) = \sqrt{x}$. Label the functions, draw in the tangent lines at the given points and find the slopes of those tangent lines at those points.



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$$f'(x) = 3x^2 \Big|_{x=2} = 12$$

$$x =$$

How are $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ in each problem (#1-6) related to each other? How are the derivative values in each problem above related to each other?

1. $f(x)$ & $g(x)$ are inverses
2. Reciprocal relationship

Based on your observations, write a rule relating the derivative of a function and its inverse.

$$f(x) = (a, b) \quad f^{-1}(x) = (b, a)$$

$$(f^{-1})'(b) = \frac{1}{f'(a)}$$

$$\underline{(f^{-1})'(a) = \frac{1}{f'(b)}}$$

Why does this work??? Here's a proof of what we just came up with.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{If } f(g(x)) &= x \text{ \& } g(f(x)) = x \\ \text{then } f(x) \text{ \& } g(x) &\text{ are inverses} \\ \therefore g(x) &= f^{-1}(x) \end{aligned}$$

Find $g'(x)$

$$f(g(x)) = x$$

$$f'(g(x)) \cdot g'(x) = 1$$

$$g'(x) = \frac{1}{f'(g(x))} = \frac{1}{f'(y)}$$

$$g'(x) = (f^{-1})'(x) = \frac{1}{f'(y)}$$

Example from AP Exam:

Let f be a differentiable function such that ~~$f(3) = 15$~~ $f(6) = 3$, $f'(3) = -8$, and $f'(6) = -2$. The function g is differentiable and $g(x) = f^{-1}(x)$ for all x . What is the value of $g'(3)$?

$$g'(3) = (f^{-1})'(3)$$

A) $-\frac{1}{2}$

B) $-\frac{1}{8}$

C) $\frac{1}{6}$

D) $\frac{1}{3}$

E) The value of $g'(3)$ cannot be determined from the information given.

$$\begin{aligned} g'(3) &= (f^{-1})'(3) = \frac{1}{f'(6)} \\ &= \frac{1}{-2} \end{aligned}$$

$$f^{-1}(x) = (3, 6) \star$$

$$f(x) = (6, 3) \star$$

$$\frac{1}{f'(g(x))} = \frac{1}{f'(y)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(g(x)) &= x \\ f'(g(x)) \cdot g'(x) &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$f(x) = x^4 - 2x^3 + x + 6$$

$$f(1) = 1 - 2 + 1 + 6 = 6$$

$$f(x) = (1, 6)$$

$$\text{find } (f^{-1})'(6)$$

a. $f(1) = 6$

$$b. (f^{-1})'(6) = \frac{1}{f'(1)}$$

$$f'(x) = 4x^3 - 6x^2 + 1$$

$$= \frac{1}{-1} = -1$$

$$f'(x) = 4x^3 - 6x^2 + 1$$

$$= \frac{1}{-1} = -1$$

$$f'(1) = 4 - 6 + 1 = -1$$

$$(f^{-1})'(u) = -1$$