

1. grading
2. WebAssign (10 times)

**About Quiz4:**

4.  $\frac{2x^5 - 3^x}{2\sqrt[3]{x^4}}$       6.  $x$  the number of year since 2000.

$= (2x^5 - 3^x) \left(\frac{1}{2}x^{-\frac{4}{3}}\right)$

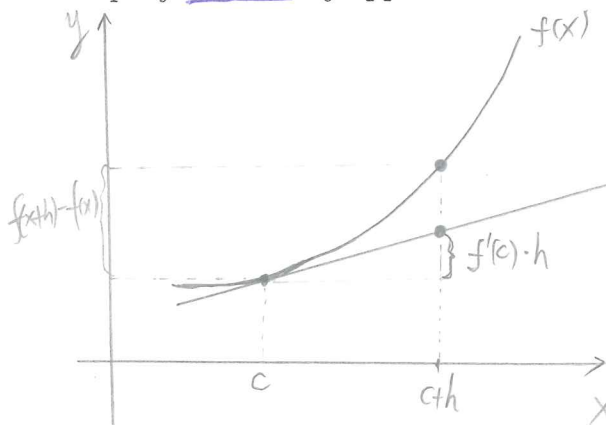
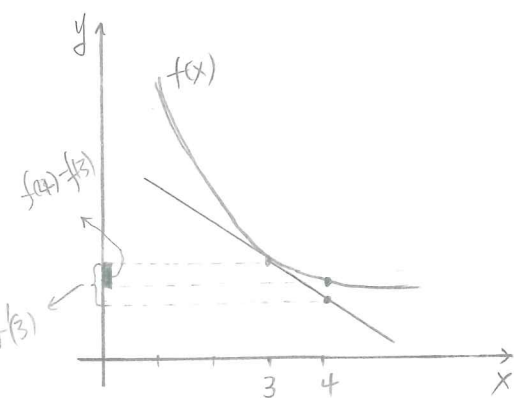
Year 1995 ( $x = -5$ )  
2011 ( $x = 11$ )

**1. Estimates the change**

The known information: A point  $c$  and the rate of change (the derivative  $f'(c)$ ).  
The problem: Estimate the change  $f(c+h) - f(c)$ , where  $h$  is a small number.

**Recall:** Let  $f(x)$  be the sale function of a company in million units, where  $x$  is number of years after 2001. What is the meaning of  $f'(3) = -0.5$  million/year?

Answer: From 2004 to 2005, the sale of the company decrease by approx 0.5 million.



More Generally:

**Approximate Change:**

$$f'(c) \cdot h \approx f(c+h) - f(c)$$

**Approximate the Result of change:**

$$f(c+h) \approx f(c) + f'(c) \cdot h$$

**Question1:** In above example, estimate the change of the company's sale between 2004 and 2006.

$h = 5 - 3 = 2$        $f(5) - f(3) \approx f'(3) \cdot 2 = -0.5 \times 2 = -1$  million.

**Question2:** If the sale in 2004 is 3.4 million units, estimate the the company's sale in 2006.

$f(3) = 3.4$  million       $f(5) = ?$

$f(5) \approx f(3) + f'(3) \cdot 2 = 3.4 - 1 = 2.4$  million

## 2. The Linearization

Using the tangent line of a function  $f(x)$  at a point  $c$  to estimate the value of the function's value near  $c$ .

Recall: (a) Find the slope of the tangent line at  $x = 1$  of the function  $f(x) = x^4 e^x$ .

$$x^4 e^x \times 4x^3 e^x$$

$$f'(x) = x^4 e^x + 4e^x x^3$$

$$f'(1) = e + 4e = 5e$$

(b) Find a formula for the above tangent line.

$$f(1) = e$$

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

or

$$f(x) = e + 5e(x - 1)$$

or

$$f(x) = 5ex - 4e$$

### Linearization:

$$f_L(x) = f(c) + f'(c) \cdot (x - c)$$

**Example** We have the information  $f(7) = 4$  and  $f'(7) = -12.9$ .

(a) Write a linearization for  $f(x)$  with respect to  $x$ .

$$f_L(x) = f(7) + f'(7)(x - 7)$$

$$f_L(x) = 4 + (-12.9)(x - 7)$$

(b) Using the linearization to estimate  $f(x)$  at  $x = 7.25$ .

$$f(7.25) \approx f_L(7.25) = 0.775$$

or

$$f_L(x) = -12.9x + 94.3$$

### In the Project:

Unit price  $x$ , Unit cost  $c$ , Fixed cost  $C_0$

Demanding function  $D(x)$ .

- Revenue function  $R(x) = xD(x)$
- Cost function  $C(x) = cD(x) + C_0$
- Profit function  $P(x) = R(x) - C(x) = (x - c)D(x) - C_0$

Some times, we get the cost function  $C(q)$  and the revenue function  $R(q)$  with respect to the number of units  $q$  produced by the company.

- Cost function  $C(q)$
- Revenue function  $R(q)$
- Profit function  $P(q) = R(q) - C(q)$

$$\blacktriangleright \text{Marginal Cost} = C'(q)$$

$$\blacktriangleright \text{Marginal Revenue} = R'(q)$$

**Example 1.** A inc. has found that the number of phones (in millions) it sells is given by the model:  $D(x) = 15(0.971)^x$  where  $x$  is the selling price in dollars.

(a) Write down a model for  $R(x)$  (dollars), the revenue, as a function of the price.

$$R(x) = x \cdot D(x) = 15x(0.971)^x \quad \text{million } \$$$

(b) Write down a formula for the rate of change of revenue as a function of price.

$$R'(x) = 15(0.971)^x + 15x \ln(0.971)(0.971)^x \quad \text{million } \$ / \$$$

(c) When the price is \$300, what is the rate of change of revenue? Show work. Give your answer with units.

$$R'(300) = -0.172 \quad \text{million } \$ / \$$$

(d) If W inc. wants to maximize revenue, should it increase the price of sunglasses from \$300 to \$310? Explain the answer in a sentence **using your answer to part c**).

No. Since the rate of change of revenue is Negative at 300, the Revenue is decreasing when the price is \$300.

**Example 2.** A company makes T-shirts at a daily cost of  $C(x) = 0.2x^3 - 0.6x^2 + 6.7x + 125.5$  dollars where  $x$  is the number of hundreds of T-shirts produced.

(a) Find the marginal cost function.

$$C'(x) = 0.6x^2 - 1.2x + 6.7 \quad \$ / \text{hundred T-shirts}$$

(b) Find the marginal cost of producing 100 T-shirts. Show work. Give your answer with units.

$$C'(1) = 6.1 \quad \$ / \text{hundred T-shirts}$$

(c) Assume that it costs \$131.8 to produce 100 T-shirts. Use this information and your answer to part (b) to estimate the cost of producing 110 T-shirts. Show work. Give your answer with units.

$$h=11-1=10 \quad C(1.1) \approx C(1) + C'(1)(0.1) = 131.8 + 6.1(0.1) = 132.41 \quad \$$$

$$\text{Accurate } C(1.1) = 132.4102$$