

Tuesday, September 25, 2012 (Day 13)

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Review Yesterday's Discussion of Marginal Analysis.

Given a function f

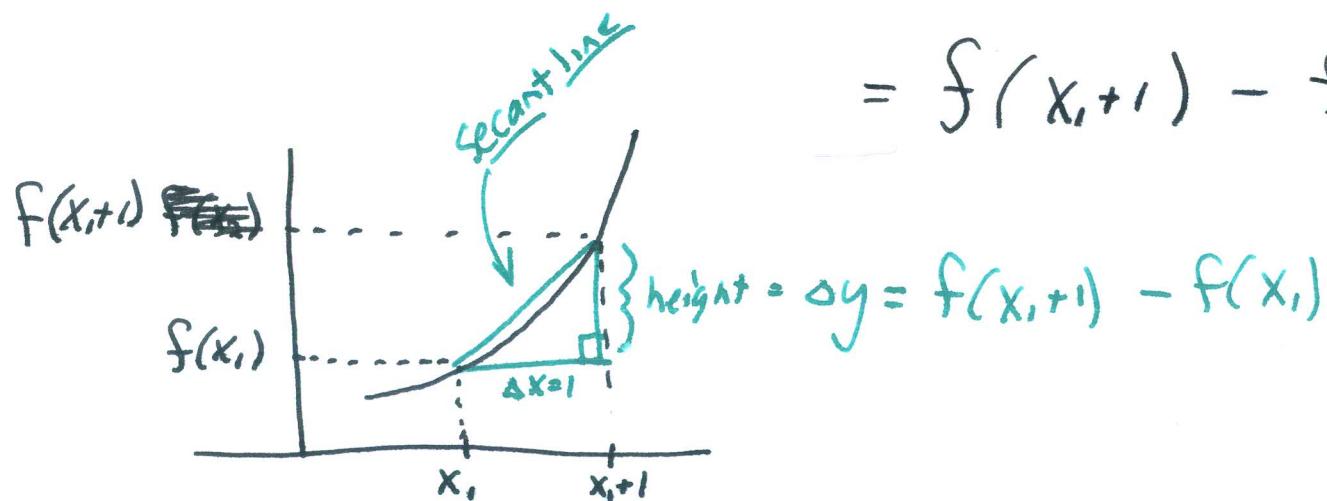
Given a known x -value x_1 ,

Question: What is the exact change in y -value,
when the x -value changes by $\Delta x=1$?

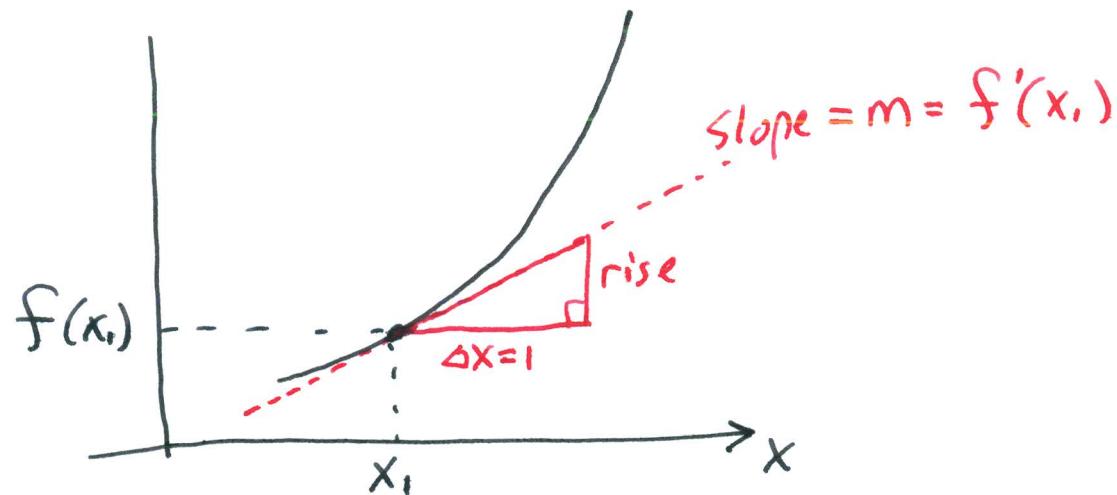
Answer: Exact change = Δy

$$= f(x_2) - f(x_1)$$

$$= f(x_1+1) - f(x_1)$$



We can also draw a triangle using the line that is tangent at the point $(x, y) = (x_1, f(x_1))$



$$m = f'(x_1) = \frac{\text{rise}}{\text{run}} = \frac{\text{rise}}{1} = \text{rise}$$

$$\text{So rise} = f'(x_1)$$

Then we observed

exact change Δy on green triangle \approx rise on red triangle

$$\boxed{\Delta y \approx f'(x_1)}$$

We explored this fact in an example about guitars.

Resuming 2nd Example, about lamps

(B) (Continuing example)

Find the Revenue function ~~R(x)~~ R(x) and its domain

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Revenue } R(x) &= X \cdot P \quad \underbrace{\text{from yesterday}} \\ &= X \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{20}x + 50\right) \\ &= \left(-\frac{1}{20}\right)x^2 + 50x \end{aligned}$$

Domain is $0 \leq x \leq 1000$ because
the equation for P from yesterday was
only valid for $0 \leq x \leq 1000$.

- ⑥ Find the "Marginal Revenue at a Production Level of 400 units"
and interpret the results

Solution this means find $R'(400)$

Strategy: find $R'(x)$

Substitute in $x=400$

$$R(x) = \left(-\frac{1}{20}\right)x^2 + 50x$$

$$R'(x) = \frac{d}{dx} \left(\left(-\frac{1}{20}\right)x^2 + 50x \right)$$

$$= \left(-\frac{1}{20}\right) \left(\frac{d}{dx}x^2\right) + 50 \left(\frac{d}{dx}x\right)$$

$$= \left(-\frac{1}{20}\right)(2x) + 50(1)$$

$$R'(x) = -\frac{x}{10} + 50$$

Now substitute in $x=400$

$$R'(400) = -\frac{400}{10} + 50 = \cancel{-40} - 40 + 50 = 10,$$

Graphical Interpretation

Graphically, this tells us that the line tangent to graph of $R(x)$ at $x=400$ has slope $m=10$.

In terms of Marginal analysis, this tells us that if the size of a batch of lamps ~~get~~ changes from $x=400$ to $x=401$,

the resulting change in revenue would be approximately \$10.

- (D) Find the marginal revenue at a production level of 650 and interpret the results.

Solution ~~$R(650)$~~ $R'(650) = -\frac{650}{10} + 50 = -65 + 50 = -15$

This tells us that if batch size changes from $x=650$ to $x=651$ lamps, the revenue will decrease by roughly \$15.

Chapter 4

Section 4-1 The constant "e" and compound interest.

We will discuss three kinds of bank account interest.

- Simple Interest
- Periodically Compounded Interest
- Continuously Compounded Interest.

Simple Interest

Interest is only earned on the initial deposit.

Define

P = initial deposit (the Principal)

r = interest rate (expressed as a decimal)

t = time(in years) that money was in account

A = account balance.

Simple Interest Formula

$$A = \text{Principal} + \text{Interest}$$

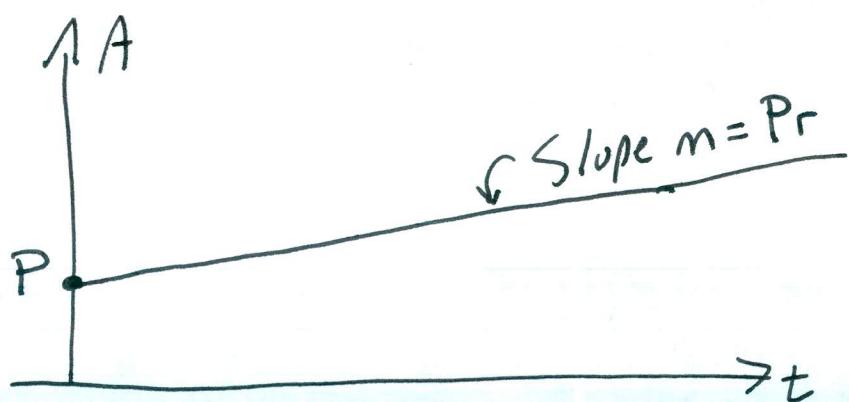
$$= P + Prt$$

factor this to make it look simpler

$$A = P(1 + rt) \quad \text{Simple Interest Formula}$$

Make a graph of A -vs- t for simple interest

$$A = \underbrace{(Pr)}_{\text{slope}} t + \underbrace{P}_{\text{y-intercept}}$$



Example 1

Deposit \$1000 into account with 3% simple interest.
What will be balance after 5 years?

Solution-

$$P = 1000$$

$$r = .03$$

$$t = 5$$

A = unknown. ← Find this

$$A = 1000 (1 + (.03)5)$$

$$= 1000 (1 + .15)$$

$$= 1000 (1.15)$$

$$A = \$1150$$

Periodically Compounded Interest

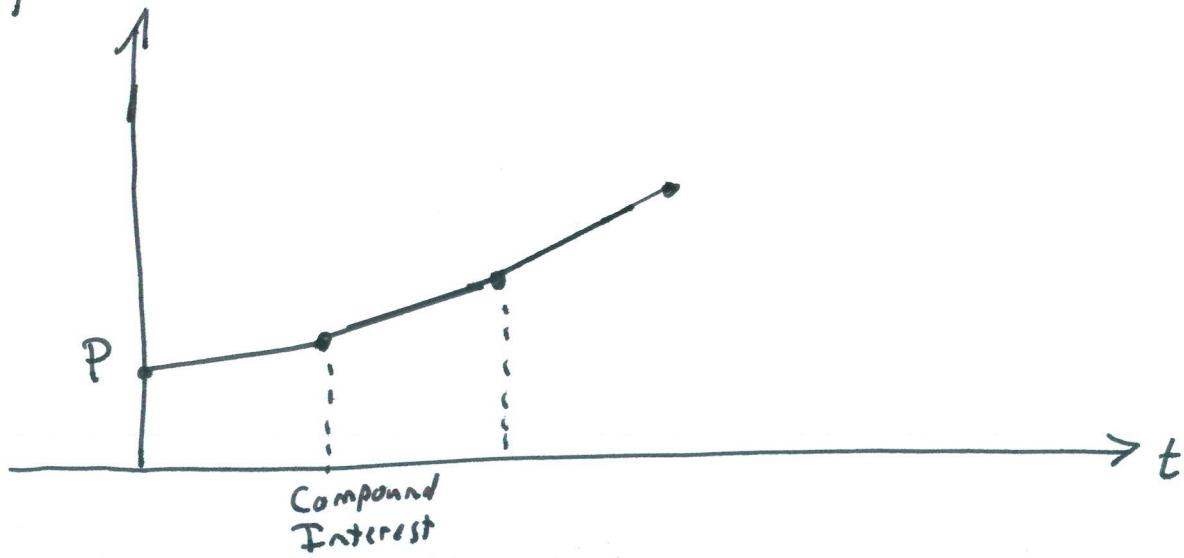
Deposit amount P

Earn simple interest for awhile, on ~~an~~ initial deposit P .

→ After awhile, dump the interest in with the principal

Earn simple interest for awhile, but earning interest on larger pot of money.

repeat



Periodically Compounded Interest Formula

P = Principal (initial deposit)

r = interest rate

t = time in years

m = number of times per year that the interest gets compounded.

A = account Balance.

$$A = P \left(1 + \frac{r}{m}\right)^{mt}$$

Periodically
Compounded Interest
Formula

Example #2

Deposit \$1000 into account with 3% interest compounded yearly. What will be balance after 5 years?

Solution $P = 1000$, $r = .03$, $t = 5$, $m = 1$
compounded yearly

$$\begin{aligned} A &= 1000 \left(1 + \frac{.03}{1}\right)^{1 \cdot 5} = 1000 (1 + .03)^5 \\ &= 1000 (1.03)^5 \quad \leftarrow \text{exact answer} \\ &\approx \$1159.27 \quad \text{approximate answer} \end{aligned}$$

Example #3 Same question, but compounded monthly.

Solution. $P = 1000$, $r = .03$, $t = 5$, $m = 12$ \leftarrow

$$A = 1000 \left(1 + \frac{.03}{12}\right)^{12 \cdot 5} \quad \text{exact answer}$$

$\times 1161.62$

approximate answer

Example #4 Same Question, Compounded Daily ($m = 365$)

$$A = 1000 \left(1 + \frac{.03}{365}\right)^{365 \cdot 5} \quad \text{exact}$$

$$\approx \$1161.83 \quad \text{approximate}$$

Notice the trend in examples 2, 3, 4

All had $P = 1000$, $r = .03$, $t = 5$

Example #2 $m = 1 \Rightarrow A \approx 1159^{27}$

Example #3 $m = 12 \Rightarrow A \approx 1161^{62}$

Example #4 $m = 365 \Rightarrow A \approx 1161^{83}$

Obvious question:

As $m \rightarrow \infty$, what is the limit of A ?

That is what is

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} P \left(1 + \frac{r}{m}\right)^{m \cdot t} ??$$

Answer

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} P \left(1 + \frac{r}{m}\right)^{m \cdot t} = Pe^{(rt)}$$

Inspired by this, we invent a new kind of bank account.

"Continuously-compound Interest"

Described by the equation

$$A = Pe^{(rt)}$$

Example #5 Deposit \$1000 into account with 3% interest compounded continuously.

What is the ~~less~~ balance after 5 years?

Solution Use $A = Pe^{(rt)}$

$$= 1000 \cdot e^{(.03 \cdot 5)}$$

$$\approx 1161\frac{83}{100}$$

exact