

Logarithmic functions

Defⁿ: Let $q > 1$. Then the logarithm with base q is defined by $y = \log_q(x) \iff x = q^y$

Properties of logarithm

1. $\log_e(1) = 0$ (since e^0 gives 1)
2. $\log_e(e^x) = x$ (since $\log_e(e^x) = x$)
3. $\log_e(3 \times 5) = \log_e(3) + \log_e(5)$
 $\log_e(a \cdot b) = \log_e(a) + \log_e(b)$ (multiplication becomes addition)
4. $\log_e(2^{10}) = 10 \log_e(2)$
 $\log_e(a^r) = r \log_e(a)$ (bring power down)

Properties continued.

$$5. \log_e(10/3) = \log_e(10) - \log_e(3)$$

$$\log_e(a/b) = \log_e(a) - \log_e(b) \quad \text{provided } b \neq 0$$

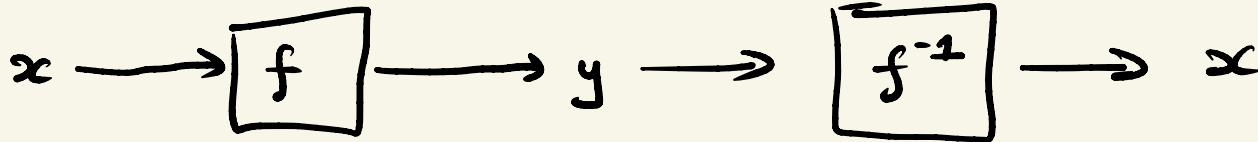
$$\ln(a/b) = \ln(a) - \ln(b)$$

$$\text{Notation: } \underline{\ln}(x) = \underline{\log_e}(x)$$

$$2) \log_e(e^x) = x$$

Inverse function

Idea: A function takes an input x and outputs a number y . The inverse function undoes this.



$$f(f^{-1}(x)) = x$$

$$f^{-1}(f(x)) = x$$

eg: $f(x) = x + 1$ has inverse function $f^{-1}(x) = x - 1$

check $x = f(x) - 1$
 $y = f(x)$
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 input

$$\begin{aligned} f^{-1}(y) &= f^{-1}(f(x)) \\ &= f^{-1}(x+1) = (x+1) - 1 \\ &= x \end{aligned}$$

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output of $f^{-1}(y)$

eg: $f(x) = 2x$ has inverse

$$f^{-1}(x) = x/2$$



Inverse function

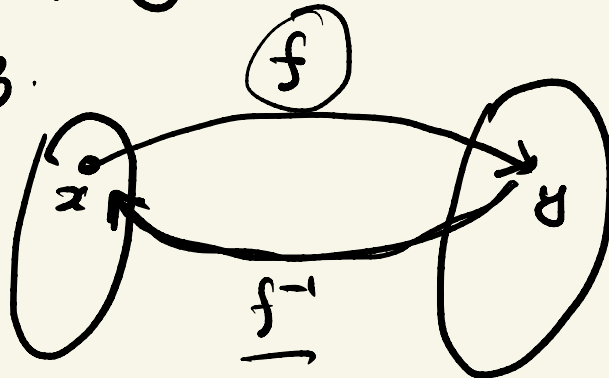
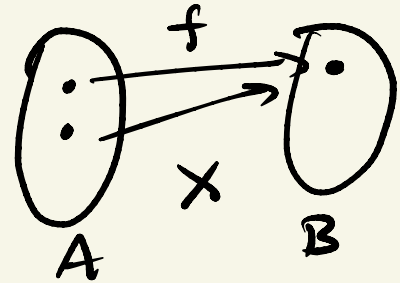
Defⁿ: Let f be a one-to-one function with domain A and range B . Then

its inverse is denoted as f^{-1} and has domain B and range A . It

is defined by

$$f^{-1}(y) = x \quad \text{whenever} \quad y = f(x)$$

for any $y \in B$.



- so,
- $f^{-1}(f(x)) = x$
for all $x \in A$
 - $f(f^{-1}(y)) = y$
for all $y \in B$.

Example

The function $f(x) = \frac{9}{5}x + 32$ converts a temperature x in celsius to fahrenheit.

$$f(100) = \frac{9}{5}x + 32 = 212 \text{ degrees fahrenheit.}$$

Inverse function converts fahrenheit back to celsius.

How do we find inverse function?

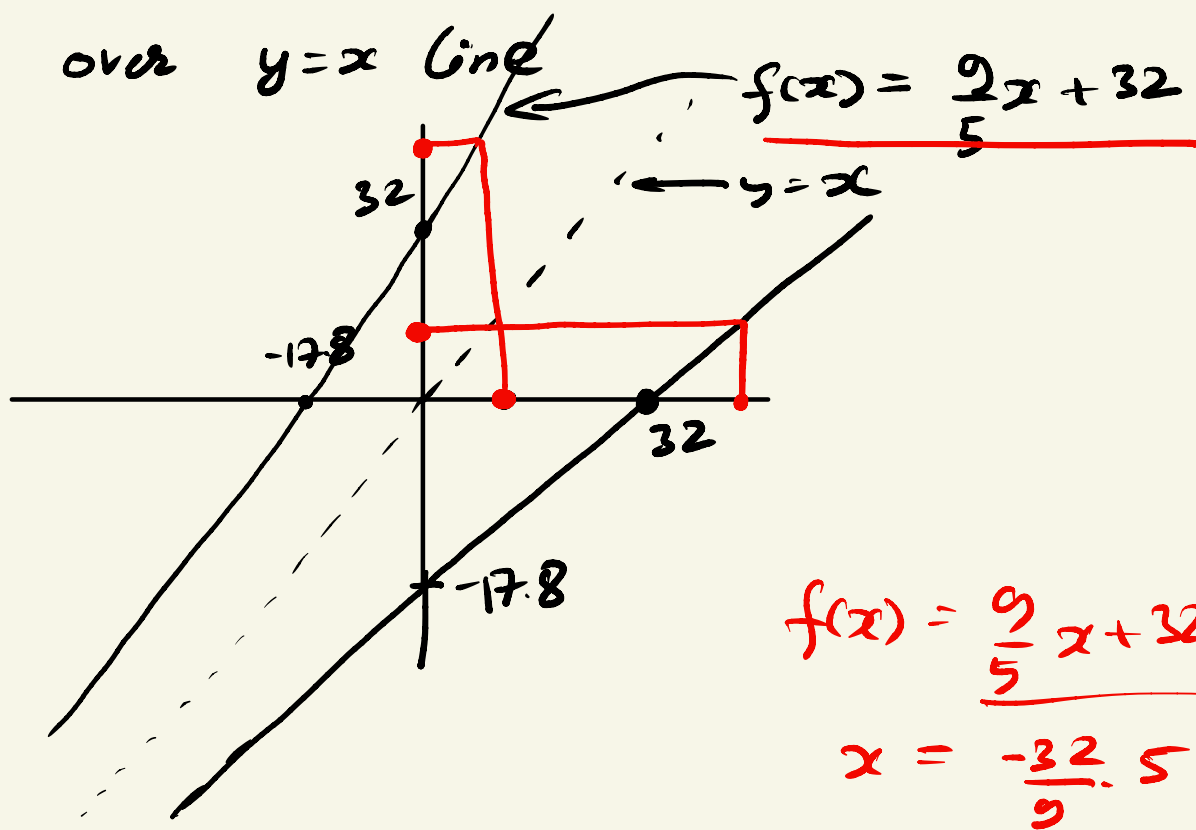
$$\text{Let } y = f(x) = \frac{9}{5}x + 32$$

Solve for x in terms of y . So

$$\frac{9}{5}x = y - 32 \Rightarrow x = \frac{5}{9}(y - 32).$$

So, the inverse function is $f^{-1}(x) = \frac{5}{9}(x - 32)$

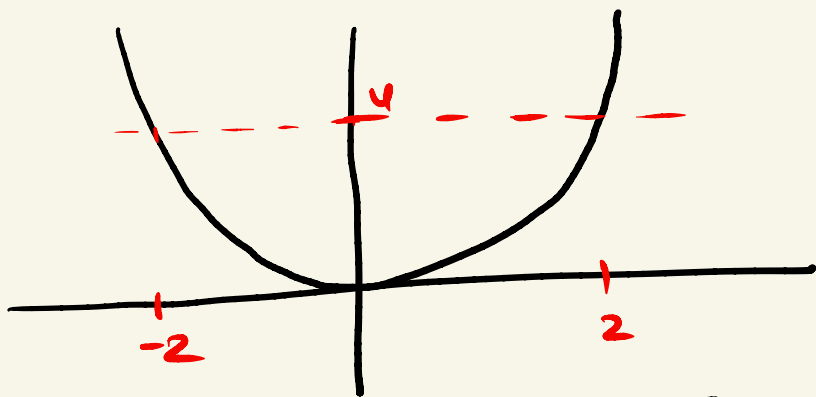
Reflection over $y=x$ line



Inverse function is obtained by reflecting the graph with respect to the line $y=x$.

Example

Let $f(x) = x^2$



$f^{-1}(4) = ?$ is it $x = 2$ or $x = -2$?

No unique answer \Rightarrow inverse does not exist.

The horizontal line $y = 4$ intersects the graph at more than one point

A basic business problem (notes posted on course webpage)

Key terms:

- Linear demand equation

- Total cost

- Revenue

- Break-even point & profit.

Example setting: Apple Inc is the only manufacturer of the popular iPad. Apple estimates that when the price of iPad is \$200, the weekly demand is 5000 units. For a \$1 increase in price, the weekly demand decreases by 50 units.

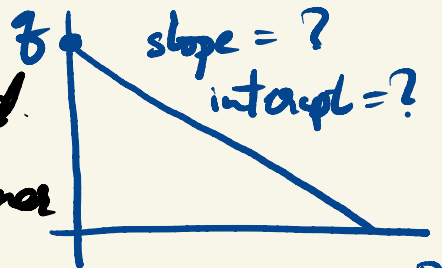
Assume that the fixed cost of production on a weekly basis is \$100,000 and variable cost is \$75 per unit.

Linear demand equation

② Find the linear demand equation for the iPad.

Notation:

- use p for price and q for the weekly demand.
- Demand is the amount q of a good consumer is willing to purchase with the price is at p .



we have: $p_0 = 200$, $q_0 = 5000$, and $\Delta p = 1 \Rightarrow \Delta q = -50$.

$$\text{so, } (q - q_0) = m(p - p_0)$$

$$\Rightarrow m = \frac{q - q_0}{(p - p_0)} = -50$$

$$\hookrightarrow p_0 = p + 1$$

so, the equation of the line is $q - 5000 = -50(p - 200)$

$$\Rightarrow q(p) = -50(p - 200) + 5000$$

$$y - y_0 = m(x - x_0)$$

Total cost

b) Find the weekly cost function, $C = C(q)$, for producing q iPads per week.

$$C(q) = \underbrace{\text{fixed cost}}_{\substack{\text{doesn't depend} \\ \text{on } q}} + \underbrace{\text{variable cost}}_{\substack{\text{depends on amount of} \\ \text{quantity produced}}}$$

$$C(q) = 100,000 + 75q$$

Note that $C(q)$ is a linear function.

Revenue

c. Find the weekly revenue functions, $R = R(q)$

Revenue is the amount of money the company receives by selling q goods.

$R(p)$ or $R(q)$

$$R(q) = p \cdot q$$

From a) $q(p) = -50(p-200) + 5000$

$$\Rightarrow p = -\frac{1}{50}(q-5000) + 200$$

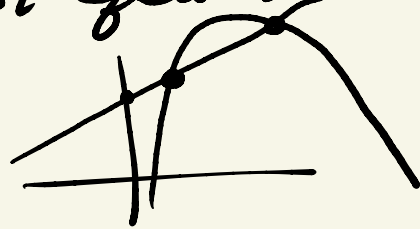
$$= 300 - q/50$$

so, $R(q) = (300 - q/50) \cdot q \rightarrow$ quadratic in q .

$$= 300q - q^2/50$$

Break-even point

d) The break-even points are points where cost equals revenue,
i.e. where $C(q) = R(q)$.



$$C(q) = R(q)$$

$$\Rightarrow 100,000 + 75q = q(300 - q/50)$$

$$\Rightarrow 100,000 + 75q = 300q - q^2/50$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{50}q^2 - 225q + 100,000 = 0$$

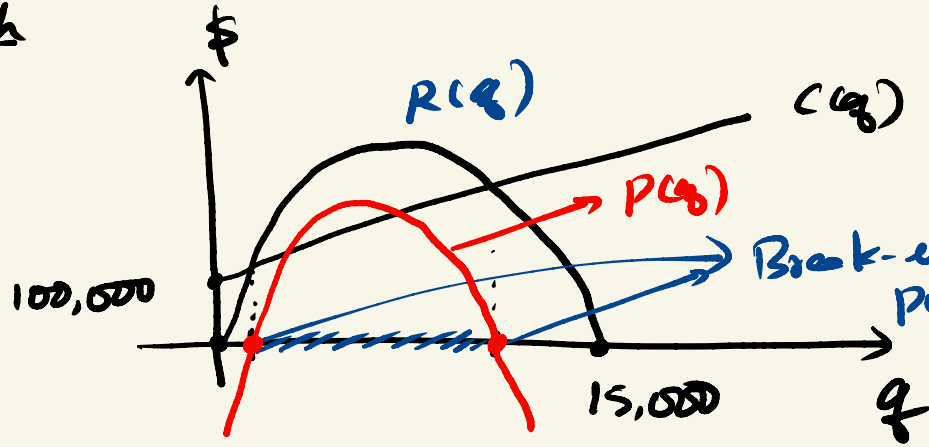
$$q \approx 463.5$$

$$C = R \approx \$134.8$$

$$\text{or } q \approx 10,786.5$$

$$C = R \approx \$908,984$$

Sketch



$$C(q) = 100,000 + 75q$$
$$R(q) = (300 - \frac{q}{50})q$$

$$P(q) = -\frac{1}{50}q^2 + 225q - 100,000$$

Profit ≥ 0 for q in shaded region.

Profit

Profit is defined as: $P(q) = R(q) - C(q)$

$$\text{so, } P(q) = (300 - q/50)q - (100,000 + 75q)$$

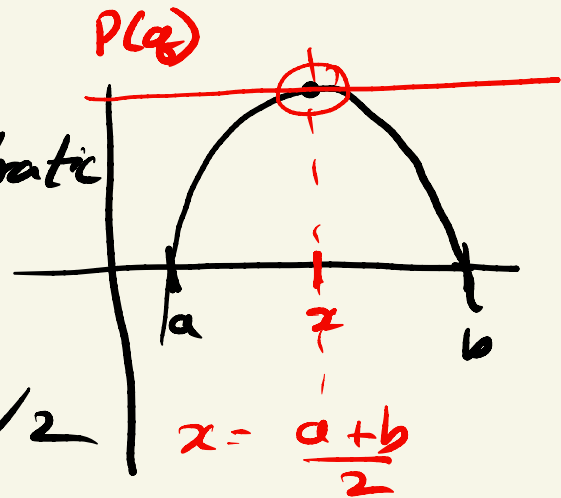
$$= -\frac{1}{50}q^2 + 225q - 100,000$$

How should Apple Inc operate in order to maximize the weekly profit $P(q)$?

Need to find the vertex of the quadratic function. The vertex is the average of the two roots.

$$\text{so, vertex } x = (463.5 + 10,786.5) / 2 \\ = 5625$$

$$\text{\$ max profit} = \underline{\underline{\$ 531,821.5}}$$



Rate of change

Example: You drop a ball from a tall building. Let $s(t)$ be the distance (in meters) the ball falls after t seconds.

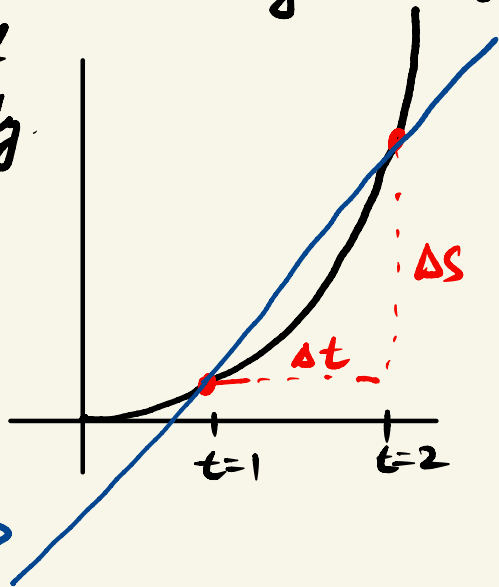
Galileo worked out that $s(t) = 4.9t^2$ ($\frac{1}{2}gt^2$)
 $\uparrow g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$

a) What is the average velocity of the ball between $t=1$ & $t=2$? Interpret graphically.

$$\text{average velocity} := \frac{\text{change in position}}{\text{change in time}}$$

$$= \frac{s(2) - s(1)}{2 - 1} = \underline{14.7 \text{ m/s}}$$

slope of the
secant line.

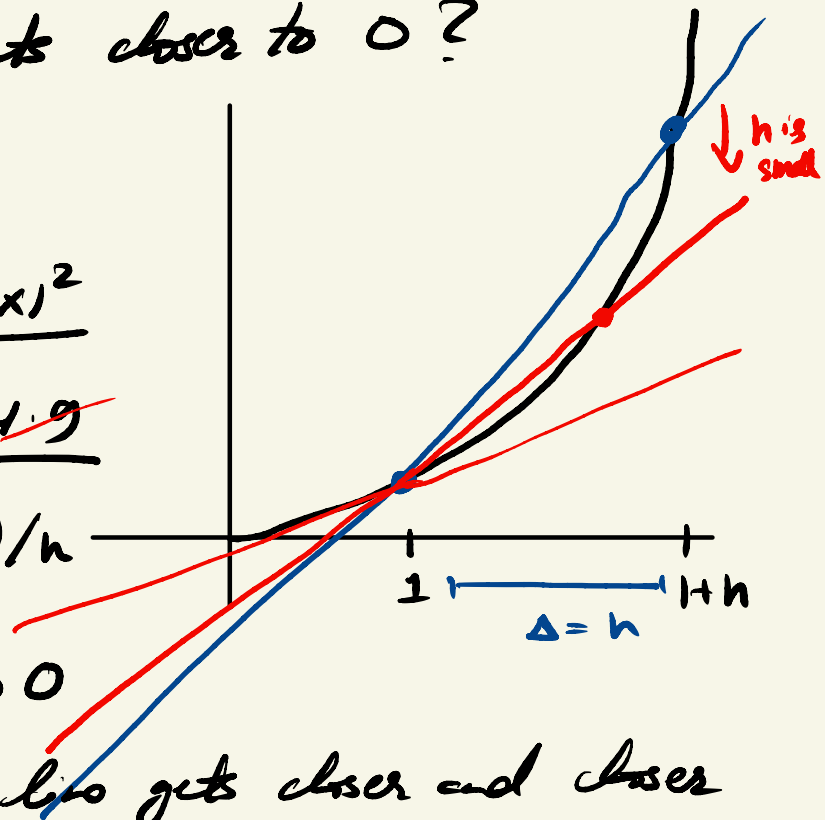


- b) What is the average velocity between $t=1$ and $t=1+h$?
 ($h>0$) What happens as h gets closer to 0?

$$\begin{aligned} \text{average velocity} &= \frac{s(1+h) - s(1)}{(1+h) - 1} \\ &= \frac{4.9(1+h)^2 - 4.9(1)^2}{h} \\ &= \frac{4.9(1+2h+h^2) - 4.9}{h} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (h>0) \implies &= \frac{(9.8h + 4.9h^2)}{h} \\ &= 9.8 + 4.9h \end{aligned}$$

approaches 9.8 as h gets close to 0



As h gets smaller the secant line gets closer and closer to the tangent line at $x=1$. The slope of the tangent line is the instantaneous velocity of ball at $x=1$.

Limits

Mathematically, we write:

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{s(1+h) - s(1)}{(1+h) - 1} = 9.8$$

to means as h gets closer and closer to 0 (without h being equal to zero) the expression $\frac{s(1+h) - s(1)}{1+h}$

numerically gets closer and closer to 9.8 m/s .

Note: we read

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L \text{ as}$$

limit of $f(x)$ as x approaches a is L .

Example

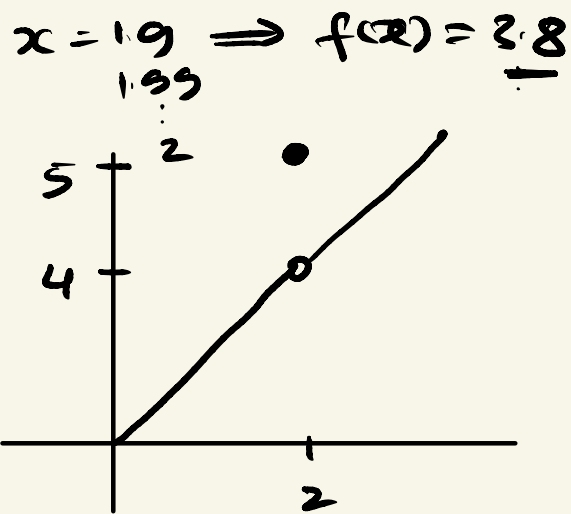
$$a) f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x & , x \neq 2 \\ 5 & , x = 2 \end{cases}$$

What is the $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x)$?

Note that $f(2) = 5$

As x gets closer and closer to 2 without x being equal to 2, $f(x)$ gets closer and closer to 4.

$$\text{so, } \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = 4 \neq f(2)$$



Example

a) Let $f(x) = \frac{x-1}{x^2+3x-4}$ and consider its limit as $x \rightarrow 1$

$$\text{Let } x=1, \frac{1-1}{1^2+3 \cdot 1-4} = \frac{0}{0} \text{ undefined}$$

So, $f(x)$ is undefined at $x=1$

$$\text{Factorize } x^2+3x-4 = \frac{x+4x-x-4}{(x-1)(x+4)} = (x-1)(x+4)$$

$$\text{so, } \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\cancel{x-1}}{\cancel{(x-1)}(x+4)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{1}{x+4} = \frac{1}{5}$$

When we encounter $\frac{0}{0}$ situations, it's often helpful to cancel factors.