

2.2 Basic Rules for derivatives (two lessons)

Obj: define and use basic rules of differentiation; use derivatives to find velocity

Rule 1. Derivative of a constant function.

Examples: $y=3$

$$f(x)=1207$$

Rule 2: Power rule (the most used rule)

Examples:

$$g(x) = x^4$$

$$y = \sqrt[3]{x}$$

Rule 3. The constant multiple rule.

Examples. $y = 3x^4$

$$y = 10t^2$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2\sqrt[3]{x^2}}$$

Rule 4. The Sum and Difference Rule

Examples: $f(x) = x^3 - 4x + 5$

$$g(x) = -\frac{x^4}{2} + 3x^3 - 2x$$

Rule 5. Power Rule for negative exponents

Examples: $y = \frac{1}{x^3}$

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

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Now try.

$$y = 3\sqrt{x} - \frac{4}{x} + x^{\ln 3} + 2\pi x - e^5$$

The two most important trig derivatives.

Find the derivatives:

$$4 \sin x - 3 \cos x + 4x^2$$

$$-\pi \sin x + \tan x \cos x$$

Find the tangent line. The most basic derivative application.

$$y = x + \sin x - \cos x \quad \text{at } x = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

Determine all the points at which you have a horizontal tangent.

$$y = x^4 - 2x^2 + 3$$

$$y = \frac{1}{x^2}$$

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Find k such that the line is tangent to the graph of the function.

$$f(x) = k - x^2 \quad y = -6x + 1$$

When is a function differentiable? In other words, when can you find the derivative?

4 cases when not differentiable

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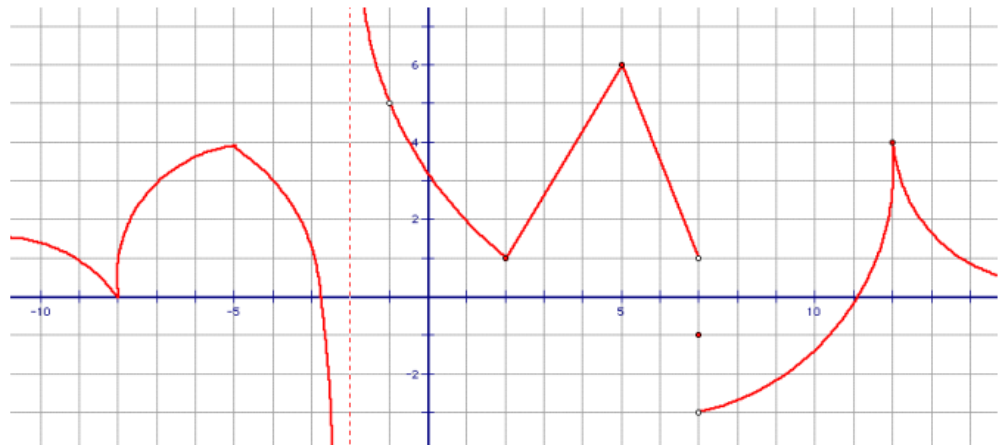
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Find all the values where the function is differentiable.

Justify.



Theorem: If f is continuous and

Then f is differentiable (left side derivative = right side derivative)

Theorem: If f is differentiable then

Note: Continuity does not imply differentiability!

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Piecewise functions:

Find the derivative at $x=0$.

$$y = \begin{cases} x^2 & \text{when } x \leq 0 \\ 2x & \text{when } x > 0 \end{cases}$$

Conclusion if derivative do not =?

Using differentiability and continuity to solve typical MC.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x + 2 & \text{if } x \leq 3 \\ 4x - 7 & \text{if } x > 3 \end{cases}$$

Let f be the function given above. Which of the following statements are true about f ?

- I. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x)$ exists.
 - II. f is continuous at $x = 3$.
 - III. f is differentiable at $x = 3$.
- (A) None
(B) I only
(C) II only
(D) I and II only
(E) I, II, and III

Numerical derivatives: Two ways to calculate a numerical derivative on the calculator.

$$f(x) = x^3 - 2x^2 + 1 \quad \text{Find } f'(2)$$

1. Use Math 8 (NDERIV).

Syntax for old software (function, x , value for x you want)

2. Graph. Use calc menu from graph. Make sure your graph shows the value you want. Calc #6
 dy/dx

We usually use this method on free response because we will generally have to graph to find other information.

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You can also combine both methods and graph the derivative of a function.

Enter function into y1

In y2 use math 8 to graph nderiv of y1

Introduction to position and velocity.

Position function of an object gives it position at any time t . For vertical freefall it is normally a quadratic function that includes a constant for gravity with the square.

In ft/sec²:

In m/sec²:

Given $s(t) = -16t^2 + 100$

Find the average velocity over the first 3 seconds.

Find the instantaneous velocity at $t=2$.

At time $t = 0$, a diver jumps from a platform diving board that is 32 feet above the water. His initial velocity is 16 ft/sec. The position of the diver is given by $s(t) = -16t^2 + v_0t + s_0$, where s is measured in feet and t is measured in seconds.

Find the position function:

- When does the diver hit the water?
- What is the diver's velocity at impact?

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Sketching a graph of a derivative: This is a position function. Sketch a graph of the velocity.

Position function graph

You are graphing the slopes!

