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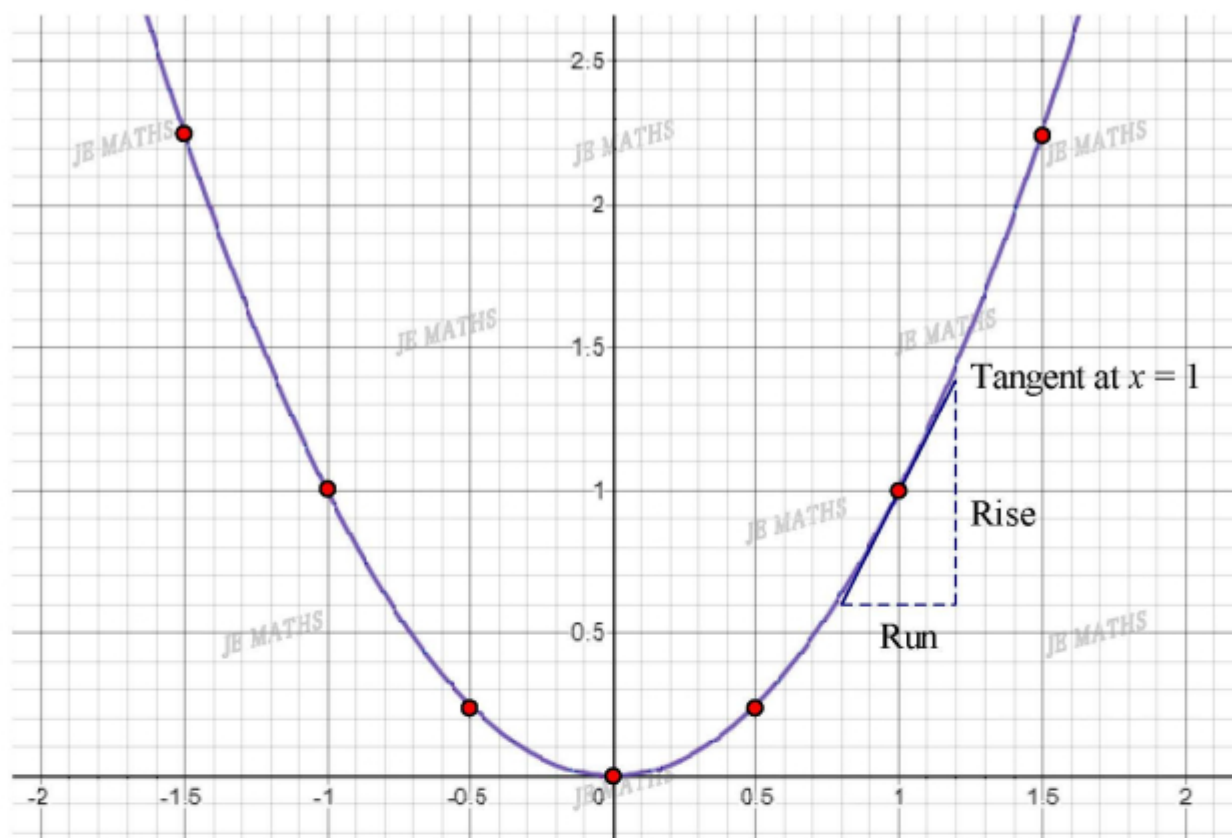
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Stage 1:

1. Consider the parabola $f(x) = x^2$.



- (i) The tangent to $f(x)$ at $x = 1$ has been shown on the diagram. Measure the gradient of this tangent by using $\text{gradient} = \frac{\text{rise}}{\text{run}}$. Hence, estimate the value of $f'(1)$.

- (ii) Construct the tangents to $f(x)$ at the given points. Measure the gradient of each tangent by using $\text{gradient} = \frac{\text{rise}}{\text{run}}$. Hence, estimate the derivatives. (1dp if necessary)

$$f'(0) =$$

$$f'(-0.5) =$$

$$f'(0.5) =$$

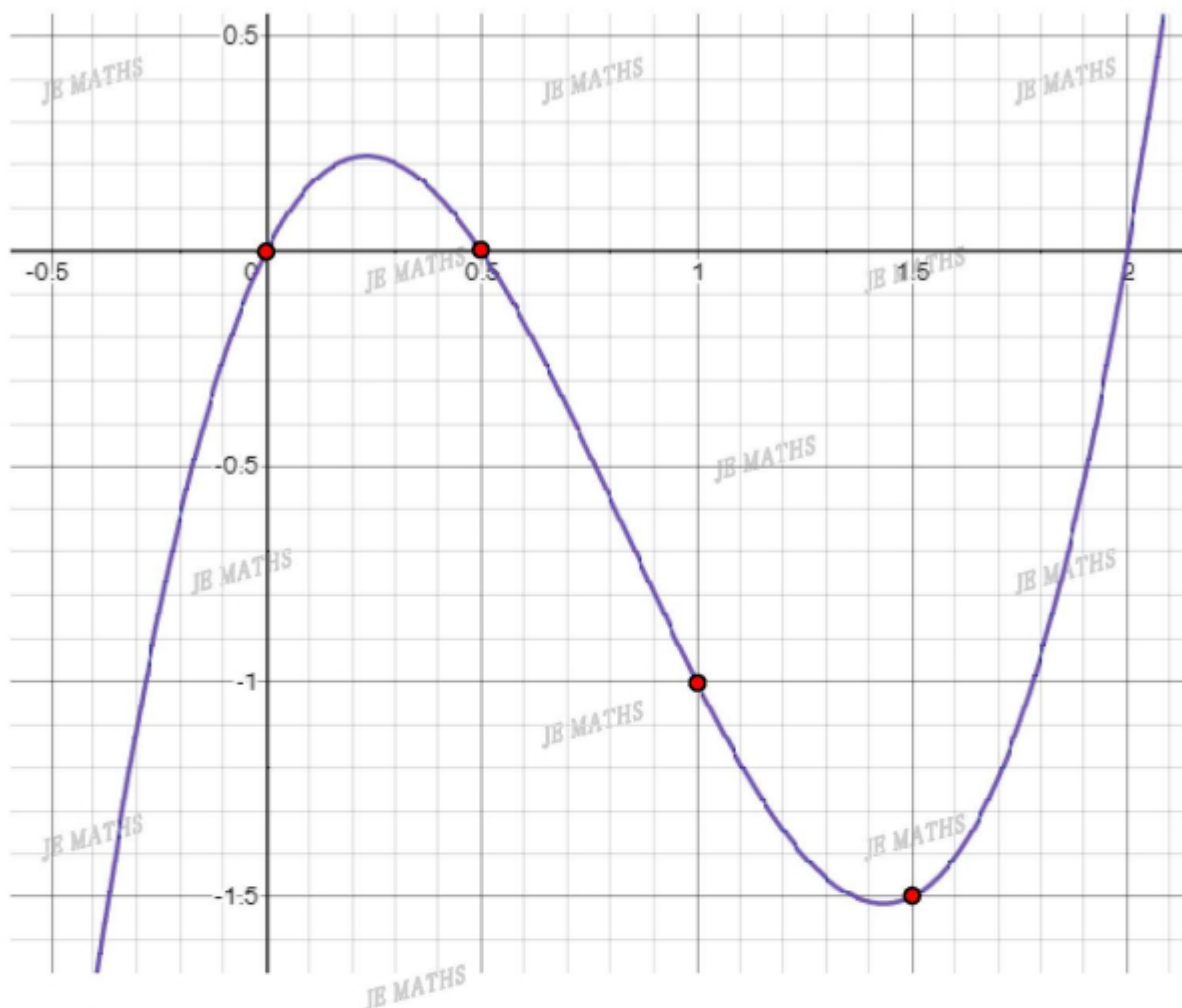
$$f'(-1) =$$

$$f'(1.5) =$$

$$f'(-1.5) =$$

2. Given the graph of $f(x)$, construct the tangents at the given points and measure their gradient

by $\text{gradient} = \frac{\text{rise}}{\text{run}}$.



Estimate the derivatives and correct to one decimal place if necessary.

$$f'(0) =$$

$$f'(0.5) =$$

$$f'(1) =$$

$$f'(1.5) =$$

3. Find the derivative $f'(x)$ of the function $f(x)$.

(a) $f(x) = 4$

(b) $f(x) = -\frac{5}{2}$

(c) $f(x) = 5x - 3$

(d) $f(x) = -3 - 7x$

(e) $f(x) = \frac{5(x-3)}{2}$

(f) $f(x) = \frac{7}{4}(1-3x)$

4. Find the derivative $f'(x)$ of the function $f(x)$:

(a) $f(x) = 3(1-2x) - 2(1-3x)$

(b) $f(x) = \frac{1}{2}(3-11x) - \frac{1}{2}(5-9x)$

(c) $f(x) = (2x-7)^2 - (2x+7)^2$

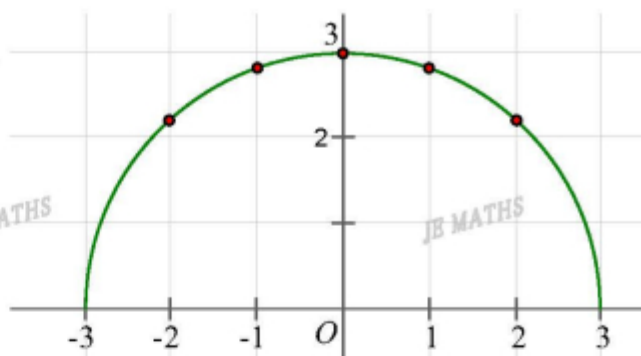
(d) $f(x) = \frac{x-c}{a} + \frac{b-x}{a}$, where a , b , c are constants.

(e) $f(x) = \frac{P+Qx}{R} + \frac{P-Qx}{S}$

Stage 2:

1. Consider the upper semicircle $f(x) = \sqrt{9 - x^2}$.

- (a) (i) Find the coordinates of the points shown in the diagram.



- (ii) Construct the tangents to the semicircle at the given points.
Draw the radius of the semicircle at the given points.
- (iii) Use the fact that the tangent to the circle is perpendicular to the radius at the point of contact to find:

$$f'(0) =$$

$$f'(1) =$$

$$f'(-1) =$$

$$f'(2) =$$

$$f'(-2) =$$

- (b) (i) Let point $P(x, \sqrt{9 - x^2})$ on the semicircle, find the gradient of the radius OP .

- (ii) Use the fact in (a)(iii) to find $f'(x)$, the gradient of the tangent at P .

- (iii) Hence, find the x -coordinate of the point on the semicircle where the gradient of tangent is equal to 1.

2. Consider the lower semicircle $f(x) = -\sqrt{16 - x^2} - 2$.

(i) Find the centre C and radius r of the semicircle and hence sketch the graph.

(ii) Find the gradient of radius CP at $P(x, -\sqrt{16 - x^2} - 2)$.

(iii) Use the fact that the tangent to a circle is perpendicular to the radius at the point of contact to find $f'(x)$, the gradient of tangent at $P(x, -\sqrt{16 - x^2} - 2)$.

(iv) Hence, find:

(a) $f'(-1) =$

(b) $f'(2) =$

(c) $f'(-3) =$

(v) Find where the gradient of tangent to the semicircle is $f'(x) = -1$.

3. Consider the semicircle $f(x) = \sqrt{25 - (x-1)^2}$.

(i) Find the centre C and radius r of the semicircle and hence sketch the graph.

(ii) Find the gradient of radius CP at $P(x, \sqrt{25 - (x-1)^2})$.

(iii) Use the radius and tangent theorem to find $f'(x)$.

(iv) Find the equation of tangent at $x = 4$.

(v) Find x -coordinate of the point on the semicircle where the gradient of tangent is $\frac{1}{2}$.

4. Consider the semicircle $f(x) = -\sqrt{16 - (x - 5)^2}$.

(i) Find the centre and radius of the semicircle and sketch the graph.

(ii) Use the radius and tangent theorem to find the derivative of $f(x)$.

5. Consider the semicircle $f(x) = 7 + \sqrt{9 - (4 - x)^2}$.

(i) Find the centre and radius of the semicircle and sketch the graph.

(ii) Use the radius and tangent theorem to find the derivative $f'(x)$.

6. Consider the semicircle $f(x) = 2 - \sqrt{3 - (x+1)^2}$.

(i) Find the centre and radius of the semicircle and sketch the graph.

(ii) Use the radius and tangent theorem to find the derivative of $f(x)$.

7. Consider the semicircle $f(x) = 9 - \sqrt{4x - x^2}$.

(i) Find the centre and radius of the semicircle and sketch the graph.

(ii) Use the radius and tangent theorem to find the derivative $f'(x)$.

Stage 3:

1. Consider two ways to deduce the derivative of $f(x) = 3x^2$.

(a) Let the point $P(a, 3a^2)$ on the curve $y = 3x^2$.

Let the line passing through P with gradient m be $y - 3a^2 = m(x - a)$.

(i) Find the x -coordinates of the two intersection points of the line and the curve in terms of a and m .

(ii) When the two intersection points overlap, the line $y - 3a^2 = m(x - a)$ is a tangent to the curve $y = 3x^2$ at $P(a, 3a^2)$. Find the gradient of tangent m in terms of a .

(iii) Hence, find the derivative $f'(x)$ of $f(x) = 3x^2$.

(b) Let $y = mx + b$ be a tangent to the curve $y = 3x^2$.

(i) Find the x -coordinates of the point of contact.

(ii) Hence, deduce that the derivative $f'(x)$ of $f(x) = 3x^2$.

2. Consider the function $f(x) = 3x^2 - x + 2$.

(i) Let $y = mx + b$ be a tangent to $f(x)$, find the x -coordinates of the point of contact.

(ii) Hence, find the derivative of $f(x) = 3x^2 - x + 2$.

3. Consider the general function $f(x) = Kx^2$, where K is a constant.

(i) Let $y = mx + b$ be a tangent to $f(x)$, find the x -coordinates of the point of contact.

(iii) Hence, find the derivative of $f(x) = Kx^2$ in terms of K .

4. Consider the general parabola $f(x) = Ax^2 + Bx + C$, where A , B , C are constants.

(i) Let $y = mx + b$ be a tangent to $f(x)$, find the x -coordinates of the point of contact.

(ii) Hence, find the derivative of $f(x) = Ax^2 + Bx + C$ in terms of A , B and C .

5. Consider the curve $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$. Let $y = mx + b$ be a tangent.

(i) Find the x -coordinate of the point of contact in terms of m and b .

(ii) Express b in terms of m .

(iii) Hence, deduce the derivative of $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$.

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