An Introduction to Calculus

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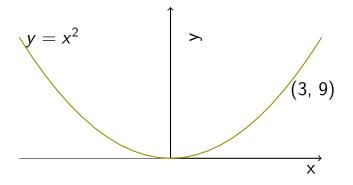
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Example page 1

$$f(x) = y = x^2$$



Example page 2

Instantaneous change at (3, 9) when $f(x) = x^2$

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| h | x + h | f(x + h) | $\frac{f(x+h)-f(x)}{h}$ |
|-------|-------|----------|-------------------------|
| 0.1 | 3.1 | 9.61 | 6.1 |
| 0.01 | 3.01 | 9.0601 | 6.01 |
| 0.001 | 3.001 | 9.0060 | 6.001 |

Example page 3

Calculation

Instantaneous speed
$$= \frac{f(x_0 + h_0) - f(x_0)}{h_0}$$

$$= \frac{(x_0 + h_0)^2 - x_0^2}{h_0}$$

$$= \frac{x_0^2 + 2x_0h_0 + h_0^2 - x_0^2}{h_0}$$

$$= \frac{h_0(2x_0 + h_0)}{h_0}$$

$$= 2x + h$$

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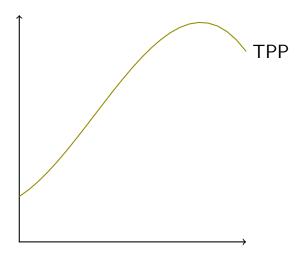
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For any positive integer k, the derivative of $f(x) = x^k$ at x_0 is $f'(x) = kx^{k-1}$

Example 2 page 1

 $TPP = 100 + 32Q + 10Q^2 - Q^3$



Example 2 page 2

Differentiating TPP

$$TPP = 100 + 32Q + 10Q2 - Q^3$$

 $TPP' = 32 + 20Q - 3Q^2$

Gradient at maximum is zero, therefore

$$3Q^2 - 20Q - 32 = 0$$

 $(3Q + 4)(Q - 8) = 0$

So
$$Q=8$$
, or $Q=-1.33$

Quadratic Solution

For a quadratic equation of the form

$$ax^2 + bx + c$$

The solution or the roots can be found with

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$