

**Calculus Practice III, Fall 2023**

Here is an opportunity for you to maintain your calculus skills over the summer. If you complete these problems, digitize your work, and submit your work to Canvas, I will send you my solutions. If you need some help with these questions, email me with your questions (willisb@unk.edu)

Completing this work is optional, and it does not enter into your class grade in any way—this work is not a bonus, extra credit, or anything like that.

1. The graph in Figure 1 shows the graph of a wild and crazy function (the red curve) we'll unimaginatively call  $F$ . I've labeled several points on the graph and I drew the tangent to the curve  $y = F(x)$  with the point of tangency ( $x = 2, y = 5$ ) as well.
  - (a) As best you can, find the numerical value of  $F'(2)$ . To do this, as accurately as your eyeballs allow, find the coordinates to two widely separated points on tangent line (the green line) and find its slope using rise over run.
  - (b) For the other labeled points ( $(-3, 2)$ ,  $(-1, 8)$ , and  $(1, 8)$ ) follow the same process to approximate the value of  $F'(-3)$ ,  $F'(-1)$  and  $F'(1)$ . You'll need to use a ruler to draw each tangent line.
  - (c) As best you can, draw a graph of  $F'$ .

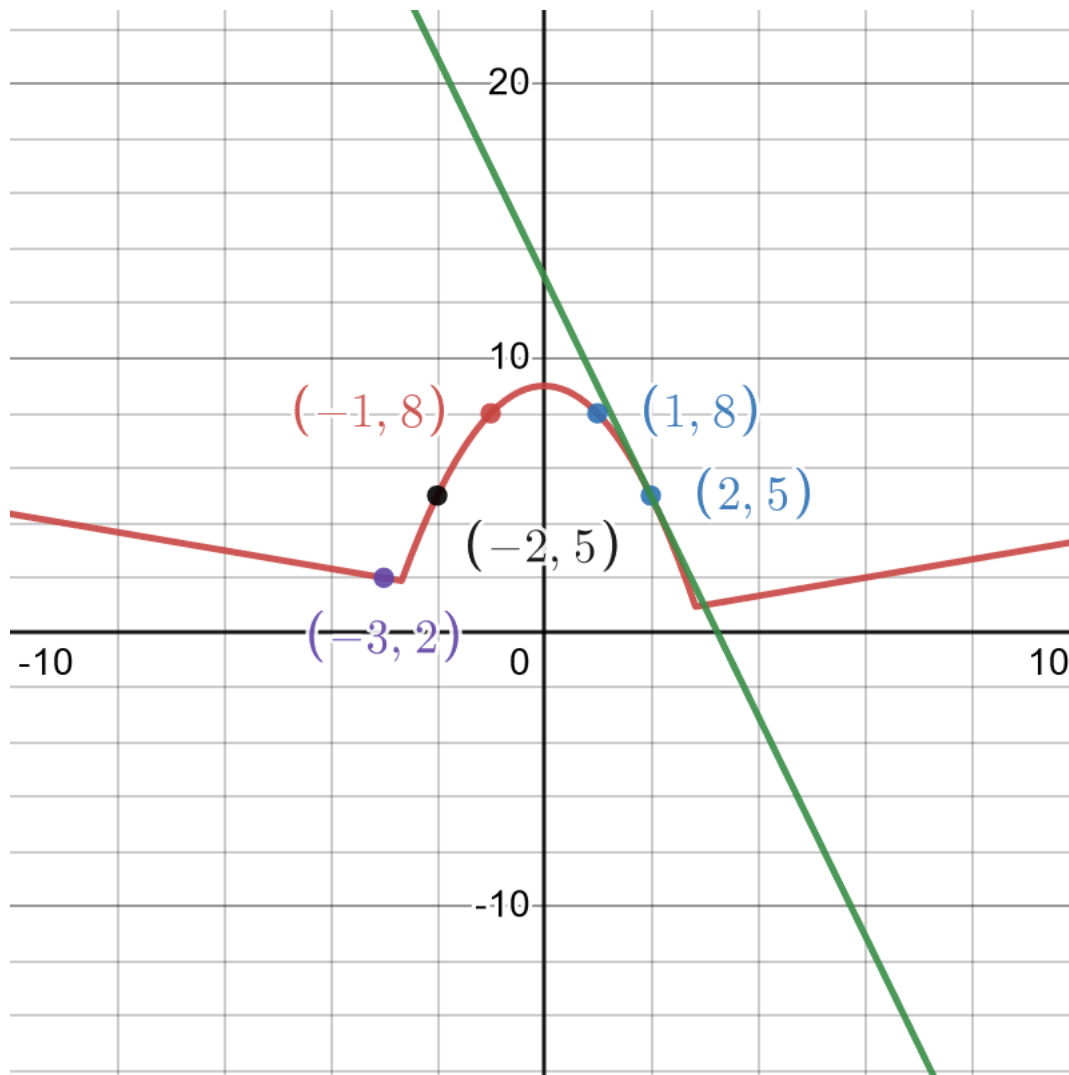
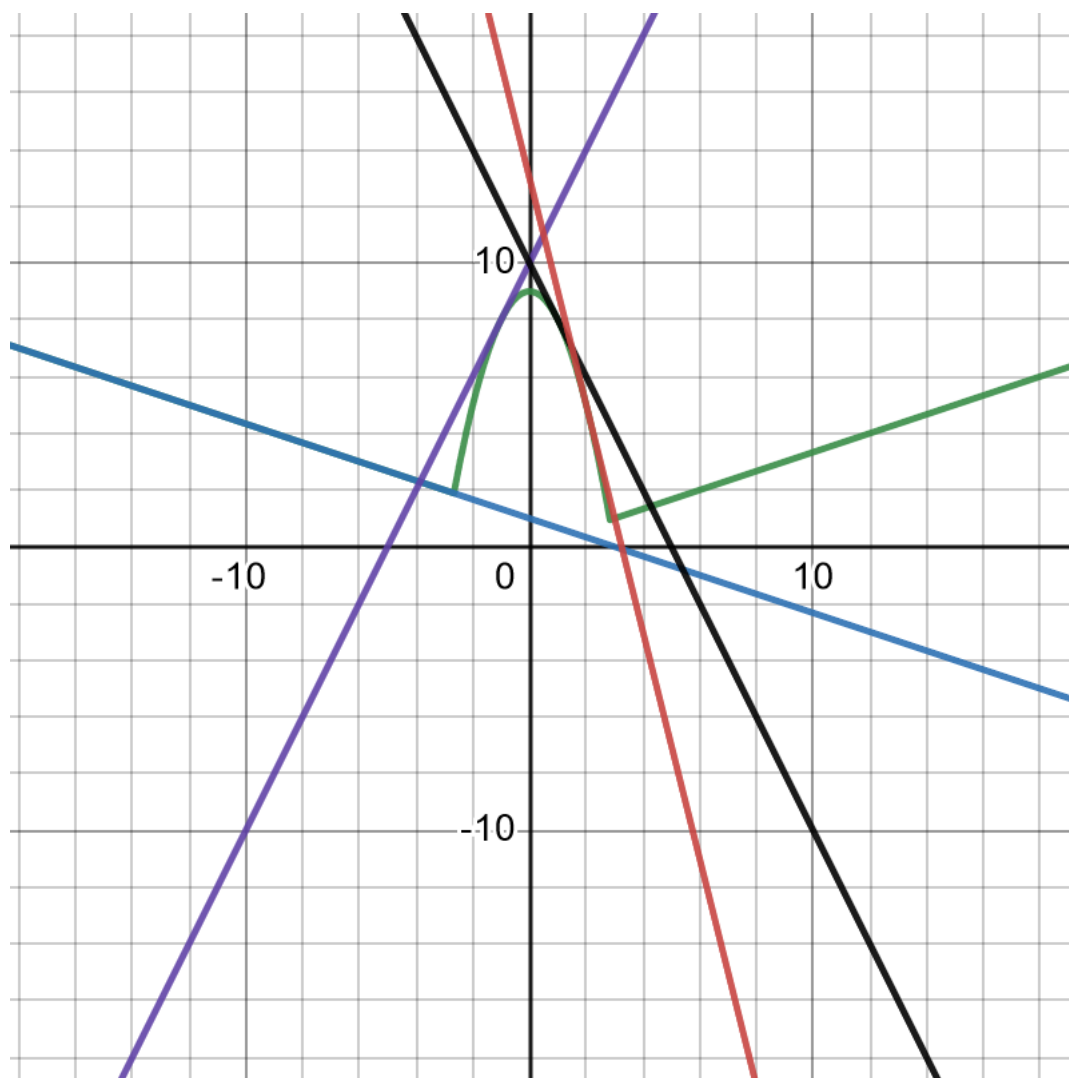


Figure 1: Graph of some wild and crazy function (red curve) along with a graph of its tangent line at  $(x = 2, y = 5)$ .



As best as my eyeballs are able, we have  $F'(-3) = -1/3$ ,  $F'(-1) = 2$ ,  $F'(1) = -2$ , and  $F'(2) = 4$ . The picture is a bit crowded.

To the left of about -3.2, the graph appears to be a line segment with slope  $-1/3$ ; between about -3.2 and 2.8, the graph is a downward facing parabola (so its derivative is a line with negative slope); for  $x$  greater than about 2.8, the graph appears to be a line segment with slope  $1/3$ ; finally, the graph does not appear to be differentiable at -3.2 and at 2.8. Actually the derivative isn't continuous at these spots either.

So a pretty good graph of both the function and its derivative is

