

**LAS Calculus**  
**Average Rates of Change**  
**Homework 1**

1. Find the average rate of change of  $y = f(x) = 2x^2$  from  $x = 1$  to  $x = 3$ .
2. Find the average rate of change of  $y = f(x) = \sqrt{x}$  from  $x = 1$  to  $x = 9$ .
3. To buy  $x$  pounds of new, improved, Stuff, it costs  $f(x) = 3\sqrt{x}$  dollars. What is the average rate of change of the price (with respect to the number of pounds bought) from  $x = 1$  pound to  $x = 4$  pounds?
4. An object is traveling so that in  $t$  minutes, its position will be  $f(t) = 2t^2 - 4t + 3$  feet away. What is the average velocity of the object from  $t = 2$  to  $t = 5$  minutes?
5. A car is traveling away so that in  $t$  hours, it will be  $f(t) = 45 + 2t^2$  miles away. What is the average velocity of the car from now ( $t = 0$ ) to  $t = 2$  hours?
6. An object is travelling so that in  $t$  minutes, it's position will be  $f(t) = 2t^2 - 4t + 3$  feet away. What is the average velocity of the object from  $t = 2$  to  $t = 5$  minutes?  
  
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7. As  $x$  increases from 3 to 7, the average rate of change of  $y$  with respect to  $x$  is 5. How much does  $y$  increase? (In other words, what is  $\Delta y$ ?)
8. As  $x$  increases from 2 to 5, the average rate of change of  $y = f(x)$  with respect to  $x$  is 3.
  - (a) What is  $\Delta y$ ?
  - (b) If  $f(2) = 7$ , what is  $f(5)$ ?
9. From time 2 hours from now until 4 hours from now, a car's average velocity is 45 miles per hour.

- (a) How far does the car travel during this time?
- (b) If the car is 100 miles away in 2 hours, how far away is it in 4 hours?