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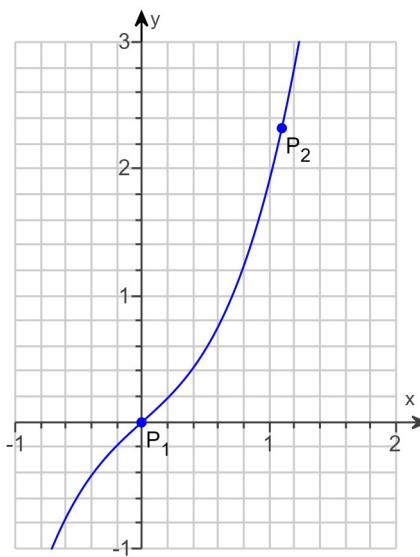
Assignment: 3.1 Tangents and the Derivatives at a Point

1.

- Use the grid to make a rough estimate of the slope of the curve (in y-units per x-unit) at the points P_1 and P_2 .

The slope at P_1 is approximately 1.

The slope at P_2 is approximately 5.

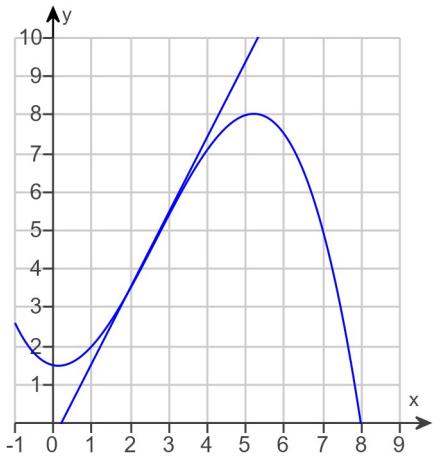


2.

- Estimate the slope (in y-units per x-unit) of the tangent line to the curve.

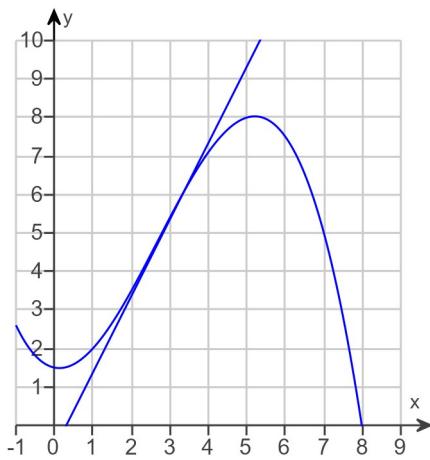
What is your estimate of the slope?

slope \approx (Round to the nearest integer.)



3.

- Estimate the slope (in y-units per x-unit) of the tangent line to the curve.



What is your estimate of the slope?

slope \approx (Round to the nearest integer.)

4. Find an equation for the line tangent to $y = -1 - 3x^2$ at $(5, -76)$.

The equation for the line tangent to $y = -1 - 3x^2$ at $(5, -76)$ is $y = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} - 30x + 74 \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$.

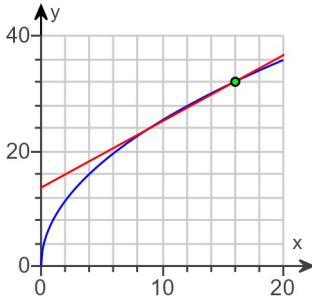
5. Find an equation for the tangent to the curve at the given point. Then sketch the curve and the tangent together.

$$y = 8\sqrt{x}, (16, 32)$$

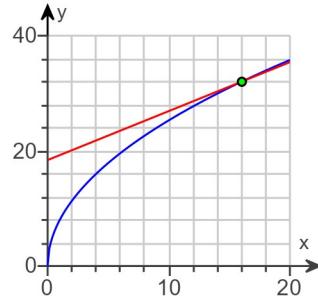
$$y = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} x + 16 \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

Choose the correct graph of the curve and the tangent below.

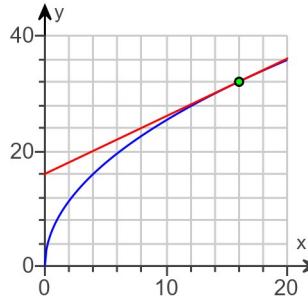
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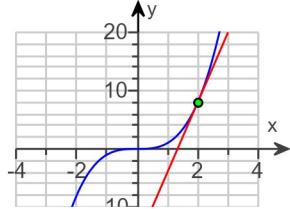
6. Find an equation for the tangent to the curve at the given point. Then sketch the curve and the tangent together.

$$y = x^3, (2, 8)$$

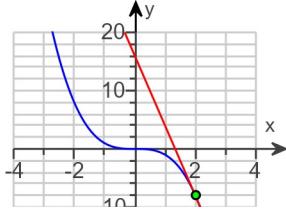
$$y = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} 12x - 16$$

Choose the correct graph of the curve and the tangent below.

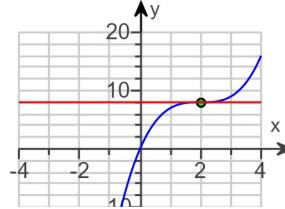
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7. Find the slope of the function's graph at the given point. Then find an equation for the line tangent to the graph there.

$$f(x) = x^2 + 3, (3, 12)$$

What is the slope of the function's graph at the given point?

$$m = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} 6 \quad (\text{Simplify your answer.})$$

Find an equation for the line tangent to the graph at the given point.

$$y = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} 6x - 6$$

8.

- Find the slope of the graph of the function $y = \frac{7x}{x-3}$ at $(6, 14)$. Then find an equation for the line tangent to the graph at that point.

The slope of the graph of the function $y = \frac{7x}{x-3}$ at $(6, 14)$ is $\underline{\hspace{2cm}} -\frac{7}{3} \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$.

(Type a simplified fraction.)

The equation for the line tangent to $y = \frac{7x}{x-3}$ at $(6, 14)$ is $y = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} -\frac{7}{3}x + 28 \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$.

9. Find the slope of the function's graph at the given point. Then find an equation for the line tangent to the graph there.

$$h(t) = -t^3, (1, -1)$$

What is the slope of the function's graph at the given point?

$$m = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} -3 \quad (\text{Simplify your answer.})$$

Find an equation for the line tangent to the graph at the given point.

$$y = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} -3t + 2 \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

10. Find the slope of the graph of the function $y = \sqrt{2x}$ at (2,2). Then find an equation of the line tangent to the graph at that point.
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The slope of the graph of the function $y = \sqrt{2x}$ at (2,2) is .
(Type a simplified fraction.)

The equation of the tangent to $y = \sqrt{2x}$ at (2,2) is $y = \frac{1}{2}x + 1$.

11. Find the slope of the curve $y = -9x^2$ at (1, -9).
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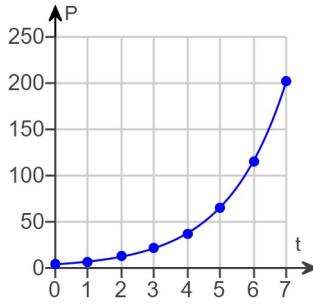
The slope of the curve $y = -9x^2$ at (1, -9) is . (Simplify your answer.)

12. Find the slope of the following curve at $x = 9$.
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$$y = \frac{1}{x-4}$$

The slope of the given curve at $x = 9$ is .
(Simplify your answer.)

13. In a controlled laboratory experiment, yeast cells are grown in an automated cell culture system that counts the number P of cells present at hourly intervals. The number after t hours is shown in the accompanying figure. Complete parts (a) through (c) below.



- a. Explain what is meant by the derivative $P'(6)$. What are its units?

Choose the correct answer below.

- A. The derivative $P'(6)$ represents the average rate of change of the number of cells from $t = 0$ to $t = 6$.
- B. The derivative $P'(6)$ represents the number of cells at $t = 6$.
- C. The derivative $P'(6)$ represents the rate of change of the number of cells at $t = 6$.
- D. The derivative $P'(6)$ represents the average number of cells from $t = 0$ to $t = 6$.

The units of the derivative $P'(6)$ are the number of cells per hour.

- b. Which is larger, $P'(2)$ or $P'(3)$? Give a reason for your answer.

- A. $P'(3)$ is larger, because the slope of the graph of $P(t)$ is greater at $t = 3$ than at $t = 2$.
- B. $P'(2)$ is larger, because the slope of the graph of $P(t)$ is greater at $t = 2$ than at $t = 3$.
- C. $P'(2)$ is larger, because the value of $P(t)$ is greater at $t = 2$ than at $t = 3$.
- D. $P'(3)$ is larger, because the value of $P(t)$ is greater at $t = 3$ than at $t = 2$.

- c. The quadratic curve capturing the trend of the data points is given by $P(t) = 6.16t^2 - 18.07t + 13.54$. Find the instantaneous rate of growth when $t = 6$ hours.

The instantaneous rate of growth is $\frac{\text{cells}}{\text{hour}}$.

(Round to two decimal places as needed.)

14. Find the point (x,y) , at which the graph of $y = 6x^2 + 7x - 3$ has a horizontal tangent.

The function $y = 6x^2 + 7x - 3$ has a horizontal tangent at $\left(-\frac{7}{12}, -\frac{121}{24} \right)$.

(Type an ordered pair. Type simplified fractions.)

15. An object is dropped from the top of a cliff 660 meters high. Its height above the ground t seconds after it is dropped is $660 - 4.9t^2$. Determine its speed 3 seconds after it is dropped.

The speed of the object 3 seconds after it is dropped is m/sec.
(Simplify your answer.)

16. What is the rate of change of the area of a square ($A = s^2$) with respect to the side length when the side length is $s = 3$?

The area changes at a rate of .

(Type an exact answer, using π as needed.)

17. What is the rate of change of the volume of a ball $\left(V = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3\right)$ with respect to the radius when the radius is $r = 4$?

The volume changes at a rate of .

(Type an exact answer, using π as needed.)