

Worksheet 4

Derivation

Exercise 1 Let f be the function defined by $f(x) = \frac{1}{x+1}$.

- a. Find the slope of the tangent line to the curve $y = f(x)$ at the point $(0, 1)$
- b. Find an equation of the tangent line to the curve $y = f(x)$ at the point $(0, 1)$
- c. Draw the graph of f and the tangent line at the point $(0, 1)$.

Exercise 2 Find the following limits. Hint: note that it can be written as the derivative of some function at some point.

a) $\lim_{u \rightarrow 1} \frac{\sqrt[3]{u} - 1}{u - 1}$

b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x}$

c) $\lim_{t \rightarrow 1} \frac{t^{100} - 1}{t - 1}$

Exercise 3 Differentiate the function

a) $f(x) = (3 - 4x^2)(x^3 - 1)$

b) $g(\theta) = \theta \cos \theta$

c) $q(\alpha) = \sqrt{\alpha} - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\alpha}}$

d) $h(r) = \frac{r}{r^2 + 1}$

e) $f(a) = \cos(a) \sin(a)$

f) $a(x) = \frac{\sin x}{\cos x}$