

9. Given the function  $h(u)=2u^2+3u$ , find an equation of the secant line containing  $(3,h(3))$  and  $(6,h(6))$ . Express the equation in slope-intercept form.

$$j = -90 + 21u$$

$$j = 90 - 21u$$

$$j = -36 + 21u$$

$$j = -35 + \frac{64u}{3}$$

### Solution

The line passing through the two points has the slope:

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{h(6)-h(3)}{6-3} \\ &= \frac{(2(6)^2+3(6))-(2(3)^2+3(3))}{3} \\ &= \frac{90-27}{3} \\ &= 21 \end{aligned}$$

using one of the points, say  $(3,27)$  and the slope to get the equation of the secant line:

$$j-27 = 21(u-3)$$

The equation in slope-intercept form:

$$j = -36 + 21u$$