

## CH 4 - Derivatives

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### Velocity

🐡 Info — Average Velocity and Instantaneous Velocity

$$v_{avg} = \frac{s(t_1) - s(t_0)}{t_1 - t_0}$$

$$v_{inst} = \lim_{t \rightarrow t_0} \frac{s(t) - s(t_0)}{t - t_0} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{s(t_0 + h) - s(t_0)}{h}$$

### Definition of Derivatives

🐡 Info — Average Rate of Change and Instantaneous Rate of Change (Derivative)

$$f_{avg} = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}$$

$$f'(a) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a + h) - f(a)}{h}$$

If  $f'(x)$  exists at  $x = a$ , then  $f(x)$  is **differentiable** at  $x = a$

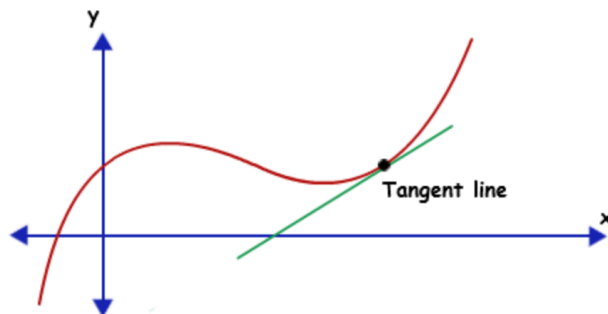
🐡 Info — Tangent Line

If  $f(x)$  is differentiable at  $x = a$ , then the **tangent line** to  $f(x)$  at  $x = a$  is the line passing through  $(a, f(a))$  with slope  $f'(a)$

The equation of the tangent line

$$y = f'(a)(x - a) + f(a)$$

$(a, f(a))$  is the **point of tangency**



Examples:

Find the tangent line to  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x+5}$  at  $x = 3$

$$f(3) = \frac{1}{8}$$

$$f'(3) = f'(a) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{a+h+5} - \frac{1}{a+5}}{h} =$$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{h} \frac{a+5 - (a+h+5)}{(a+5)(a+h+5)}}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} -\frac{1}{(a+5)(a+h+5)} = -\frac{1}{(a+5)^2} = -\frac{1}{64}$$

$$y = -\frac{1}{64}(x - 3) + \frac{1}{8}$$



### Info – Differentiability Implies Continuity

If a function  $f$  is differentiable at  $x = a$ , then  $f$  is continuous at  $x = a$

### Proof

$f$  is differentiable at  $x = a$  then,  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h}$  exists

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} [f(a+h) - f(a)] = 0 \implies \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} [f(a+h) - f(a) + f(a)] = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} f(a) \implies$$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} f(a) = f(a)$$



### Warning – Continuity Not Implies Differentiability

$$f(x) = |x| = \begin{cases} -x & \text{if } x < 0 \\ x & \text{if } x \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(0+h) - f(0)}{h} = \frac{h-0}{h} = 1$$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{f(0+h) - f(0)}{h} = \frac{-h-0}{h} = -1$$

Thus  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(0+h) - f(0)}{h} = \text{DNE}$  but continuous.

$\therefore$  continuity does not imply differentiability



### Info – Differentiability of Function

We say that  $f$  is **differentiable** on an interval  $I$  if  $f'(a)$  exists  $\forall a \in I$ .

We define the derivative function  $f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$

We sometimes also write  $f'(x)$  as  $\frac{d}{dx} f(x)$ , and  $f'(a) = \left. \frac{df}{dx} \right|_a$



### Info – Constant Function

$$f(x) = c$$

$$f'(a) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{c-c}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{0}{h} = 0$$



### Info – Linear Function

$$f(x) = mx + b$$

$$f'(a) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(m(a+h)+b) - f(ma+b)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} m \frac{h}{h} = m$$

**Info** – Quadratic Function

$$f(x) = px^2 + sx + c$$

$$f'(a) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{[p(a+h)^2 + s(a+h) + c] - [pa^2 + sa + c]}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2aph + ah^2 + sh}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 2ap + ah + s = 2ap + s$$

**Info** – Basic Trig

$$f(x) = \sin x$$

$$f'(a) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(a+h) - \sin(a)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin a \cos h + \cos a \sin h - \sin a}{h} =$$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{[\sin a (\cos h - 1)]}{h} + \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \cos a \frac{\sin h}{h} = \sin a \cdot \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos^2 h - 1}{h \cdot (\cos h + 1)} + \cos a =$$

$$\sin a \cdot \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin^2 h}{h \cdot (\cos h + 1)} = \sin a \cdot \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin h}{h} \cdot \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin h}{\cos h + 1} + \cos a = \cos a$$