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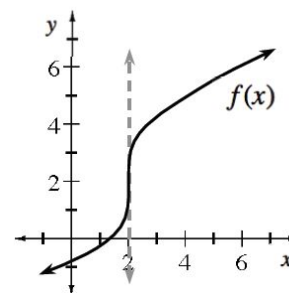
Connect concavity with the sign of the second derivative.

Explore situations where the derivative does not exist at a particular point. Examine tangent lines and investigate local linearity. Determine an antiderivative of a polynomial.

WARM UP

3-141. Review the definition of a derivative. Explain why a limit is needed to calculate the slope of a tangent line. Be clear in your explanation and use a diagram to help demonstrate the limit.

3-142. A line tangent to f at $x = 2$ is shown at right. Does the slope of the tangent exist? Does $f'(2)$ exist? Why or why not?



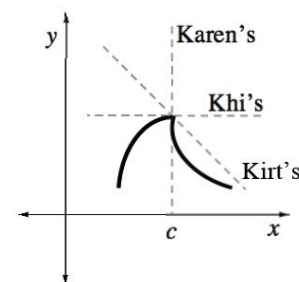
3-143. On your graphing calculator, graph $f(x) = \sqrt[3]{x}$.

- Describe what happens to the slope of f at $x = 0$.
- Use the Power Rule to write an equation for $f'(x)$ and use it to calculate $f'(0)$. Explain what happened. Does this confirm what you see in the graph?

3-144. HELP!

Koy's team needs your help to settle a dispute. For the function shown in bold at right, each of her team members drew a different tangent at $x = c$.

Khi reasoned that if you follow x as it approaches c from the left side, then his tangent makes the most sense. Karen says hers makes sense because hers is tangent to the right side of the curve at $x = c$. Kirt argues that his is the best solution for both sides.



Koy does not think any of them are correct because the slope of a tangent is a limit, and a limit cannot exist if both sides do not agree.

Which team member is correct and why?

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NOTES

Derivative Notations

In calculus, there is not a single correct notation for expressing a derivative. Instead, several different notations have been used by different mathematicians. The usefulness of each notation varies in a given context. The most common derivative notations are listed below. Derivative functions describe the _____ of another function at any value of x . Since a derivative describes a rate, it is often expressed as a fraction.

First derivative notation:

$\frac{dy}{dx}$ read as “_____, _____” or “_____”
 $f'(x)$ read as “ f prime of x ”

Second derivative notation:

$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ (or $\frac{d(dy/dx)}{dx}$) read as “the _____ derivative of ____ with respect to ____”
 $f''(x)$ read as “_____”

Higher derivatives are expressed as:

$\frac{d^ny}{dx^n}$ read as “the _____ derivative of ____ with respect to ____”
 $f^{(n)}(x)$ read as “the _____ derivative of ____ with respect to ____”

Antiderivatives

An _____ of a function f is a function F whose derivative is f . That is _____
The antiderivative of f' is f . However, for the antiderivative of a function f , we use a capital letter F . For example, we write the antiderivative of g as _____.

Since there are an infinite number of antiderivatives that are different only by a _____ term, called a “family,” we add a constant “ C ” to represent all of them. This is known as the _____ (or simply the antiderivative).

For example: If $F(x) = 5x^3 + 3x^2 + C$, then $F(x) = 5x^3 + 3x^2 + 5$ and $F(x) = 5x^3 + 3x^2 - 9$ are both antiderivatives of f . This is why we write $F(x) = 5x^3 + 3x^2 + C$.



DO NOT FORGET YOUR _____



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3-126. THE SECOND DERIVATIVE IN MOTION PROBLEMS

- If f' represents the rate of change of f , then what does f'' represent? If f' represents velocity, then what does f'' represent?
- Since concavity depends on how the slope is *changing*, concavity must depend on the *slope of the slope*. What does this mean? Explain this in your own words.
- Examine the curves below and complete the table with the signs (positive or negative) of f' and f'' . The first entry has been done for you.

$f(x)$	Increasing or Decreasing? Walking away from the motion detector? or Walking towards the motion detector?	Concave Up or Concave Down? Getting faster? or Getting slower?	$f'(x)$	$f''(x)$
	<i>Increasing</i> <i>Away from motion detector</i>	<i>Concave up</i> <i>Getting faster</i>	<i>positive</i>	<i>positive</i>
				

3-146. ANTIDERIVATIVES

- If $f'(x) = 8x^3 - 10x - 5$, write a possible equation for f . The equation for f is called an **antiderivative** of f' .
- Explain why there is always more than one antiderivative.

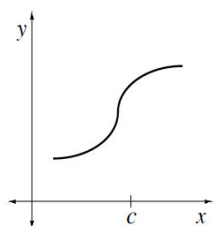
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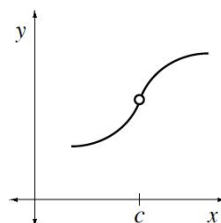
3-145. If a function f is continuous at $x = c$ and exactly one tangent line can be drawn in at $x = c$

(i.e. $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f'(x)$ exists), then the function is **differentiable** at that point $(c, f(c))$. The graphs below show examples of functions that are not differentiable at $x = c$, each for a different reason.

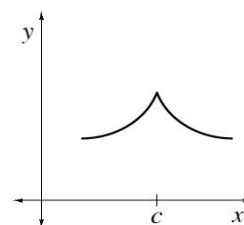
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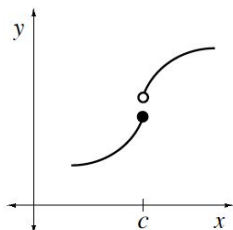
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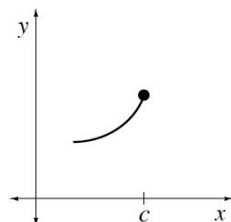
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- With your team, discuss why the slope of a tangent line does not exist at $x = c$ in each case.
- Sketch $y = f'(x)$ for each function. Pay close attention for what happens at $x = c$.
- In your own words, describe when a function, f , is differentiable and when it is non-differentiable at a point, $x = c$.

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Homework



3-132. Without your calculator, write the equation of the line tangent to

$$g(z) = \frac{z^7 + 5z^6 - z^3}{z^2} \quad \text{at } z = 1. \quad \text{Homework Help}$$

3-133. If $f'(x) = -6x^{1/2} - \sin(x)$, write a possible function for f . Then write another possible equation. [Homework Help](#)

3-134. For each of the following functions, write the *second derivative* with respect to x .
[Homework Help](#)

a. $y = 8x^{99}$

b. $y = -3\sqrt{x}$

c. $f(x) = \frac{2}{3}x - 6x^{-2}$

d. $f(x) = 7 - 2\cos(x)$


3-147. Write the general antiderivative F for each function below. Test your solution by verifying that $F'(x) = f(x)$. [Homework Help](#)


a. $f(x) = -6x^5 + 12x^2$

b. $f(x) = 3\cos(x)$

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3-150. Use the definition of a derivative to write an equation for y' if $y = \frac{3}{4}x^2 - 11x + 34$. Confirm your answer with the Power Rule. [Homework Help](#) 

3-151. State the domain and the range of each function below. [Homework Help](#) 

a. $y = \frac{x^2 - x - 6}{x + 1}$

b. $y = \frac{x^2 - x - 6}{x + 2}$

3-152. Write an equation for z' if $z(x) = 3x^2 + 5x + 1$. Then, write the equation of the tangent line in point slope form at $x = -2$. [Homework Help](#) 

3-153. Sketch a continuous curve which meets all of the following criteria: [Homework Help](#) 

a. $f'(x) > 0$ for all x

b. f is concave down.

c. $f(2) = 1$

d. $f'(2) = \frac{1}{2}$

e. How many roots does f have?

f. What can you say about the location of the root(s)?

g. What is $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x)$?



h. Is it possible that $f'(1) = 1$? $f'(1) = \frac{1}{4}$? For each case, explain why or why not.