

# Limits, Differentiation and Derivative

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1.

i) Sketch the graph of the function

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} x - m & \text{if } x < 3 \\ \frac{3}{2} - mx & \text{if } x \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

when  $m = 0$  and when  $m = -1$ .

ii) What is  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} g(x)$ ? What is  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} g(x)$ ? Your answer should depend on  $m$ .

iii) Find all real numbers  $m$  such that  $g$  is continuous at 3.

2.

c) The limit

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

occurs frequently in calculus.

i) Explain why.

ii) Find this limit if  $f(t) = \sqrt{t}$  and  $x = 4$ . (Use the properties of limits.)

iii) Find a formula for this limit for every positive number  $x$ . (Use the properties of limits.)

3.

Use implicit differentiation to find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  for

$$x \sin y + y \cos x = \frac{\sqrt{2}\pi}{4}.$$

4.

b) Consider the curve

$$y^2 = x.$$

Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  using first explicit differentiation and then using implicit differentiation.

5.

c) A particle moves along the  $x$ -axis so that its position  $x$  at time  $t$  is specified by

$$x = t^3 - 4t + 1.$$

Find each of the following and *explain* your answer:

- i) the time intervals on which the particle is moving to the right (what does “moving to the right” really mean?);
- ii) the time intervals on which the particle is moving to the left;
- iii) the time intervals on which the particle is accelerating to the right (what does “accelerating to the right” really mean?);
- iv) the time intervals on which the particle is accelerating to the left;
- v) the time intervals on which the particle is speeding up (what does “speeding up” really mean?);

- vi) the time intervals on which the particle is slowing down;
- vii) the acceleration when the velocity is zero;
- viii) the average velocity over the time interval  $[0, 4]$ .

6.

- b). A plane flying horizontally at an altitude of 1 km and a speed of 500 km/h passes directly over a radar station. Find the rate at which the distance from the plane to the station is increasing when it is 2 km away from the station.

7.

- a). The circumference of a sphere was measured to be 84 cm to the nearest centimetre.
- i). Use the differential approximation to estimate the maximum error in the calculated surface area. What is the relative error?
  - ii). Use the differential approximation to estimate the maximum error in the calculated volume. What is the relative error?

8.

### Question 5. Limits

6 pts

Find the limit, if it exists, stating any theorem you use:

(a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left( x^2 \cos \frac{\pi}{x} \right)$

3 subpts

(b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left( \sqrt{9x^2 - 2x} - 3x \right)$

3 subpts