

Practice Mid 1, Sec13

Q1[Sec1.4, Average rate of change/Average velocity, see also Q9] Let $f(x) = \cos x + 2$. Compute the average rate of change of $f(x)$ on the interval $[0, \frac{\pi}{2}]$

Solution: Average rate of change:

$$\begin{aligned} A.R.o.C. &= \frac{f(\pi/2) - f(0)}{\pi/2 - 0} \\ &= \frac{(\cos(\pi/2) + 2) - (\cos 0 + 2)}{\pi/2 - 0} \\ &= \frac{(0 + 2) - (1 + 2)}{\pi/2} = \frac{-1}{\pi/2} = -\frac{2}{\pi} \end{aligned}$$

□

Q2[Sec1.5/1.6, Limit and Limit Laws] Evaluate the following limits

(a)Direct plug in-type

Suppose $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} f(x) = 2, \lim_{x \rightarrow 4} g(x) = 3$. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{xf(x) + 2}{f(x) - \sqrt{g(x)}}$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{xf(x) + 2}{f(x) - \sqrt{g(x)}} &= \frac{\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} x \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow 4} f(x) + 2}{\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} f(x) - \sqrt{\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} g(x)}} \\ &= \frac{4 \cdot 2 + 2}{2 - \sqrt{3}} \\ &= \frac{10}{2 - \sqrt{3}} \end{aligned}$$

□

(b) $\frac{1}{0}$ -type/One-sided limits

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{x - 3}{x^2(x + 5)}$$

Solution:

$x \rightarrow 0^+ \implies x - 3 \rightarrow 0 - 3 = -3 < 0$ (negative), $x^2 > 0$ (positive), $x + 5 \rightarrow 0 + 5 = 5 > 0$ (positive).

$$\frac{x - 3}{x^2(x + 5)} \sim \frac{\text{negative}}{\text{positive} \times \text{positive}} \sim \text{negative}, \implies \frac{x - 3}{x^2(x + 5)} \rightarrow \frac{0 - 3}{0^2 \cdot (0 + 5)} = \frac{-3}{0 \cdot 5} \rightarrow -\infty$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{x - 3}{x^2(x + 5)} = -\infty$$

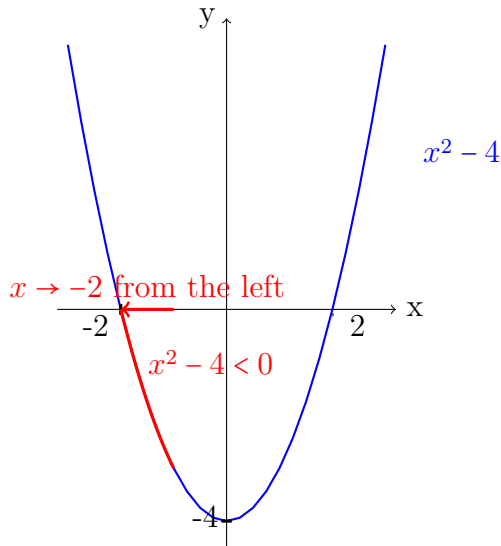
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(c)Cancellation-type

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} \frac{|x^2 - 4|}{x + 2}$$

Solution: $x \rightarrow -2 \implies \frac{|x^2 - 4|}{x + 2} \rightarrow \frac{|(-2)^2 - 4|}{-2 + 2} = \frac{|0|}{0}$, which is $\frac{0}{0}$ -type. We need to cancel out the ‘zero terms’ then plug in $x = -2$. Before that, we need to remove the abstract value $|\cdot|$ first.

As $x \rightarrow -2^+, x > -2 \implies x^2 - 4 < 0 \implies |x^2 - 4| = -(x^2 - 4) = 4 - x^2$. Actually, $x^2 - 4 < 0$ follows from the graph of $y = x^2 - 4$:



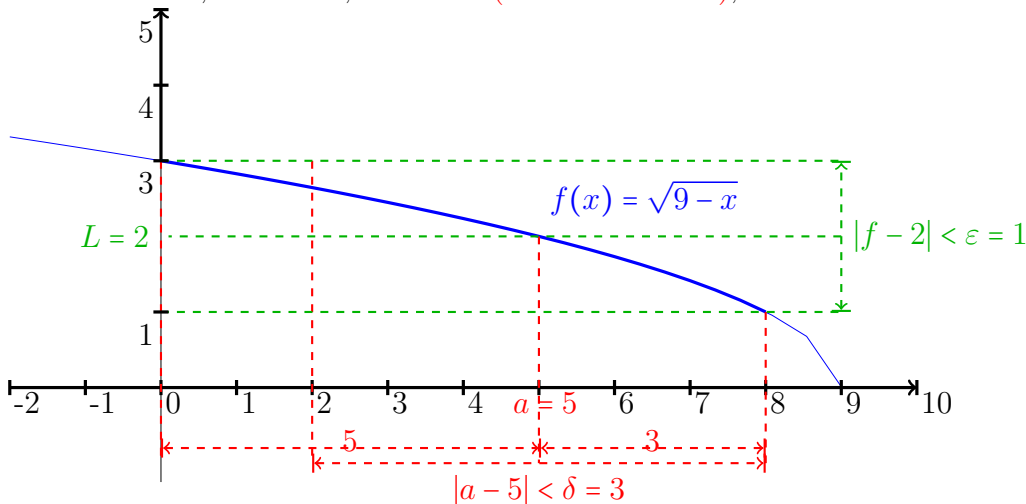
Notice that $|\blacksquare| = -\blacksquare$ if $\blacksquare < 0$. Therefore, $x^2 - 4 < 0 \implies |x^2 - 4| = -(x^2 - 4) = 4 - x^2$. Now we have

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} \frac{|x^2 - 4|}{x + 2} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} \frac{4 - x^2}{x + 2}, && \text{Factorization: } a^2 - b^2 = (a + b)(a - b) \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} \frac{(2 + x)(2 - x)}{x + 2}, && \text{Cancel out the zero term } x + 2 \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} 2 - x = 2 - (-2) = 4. && \text{Plug in } x = -2 \end{aligned}$$

□

Q3[Sec1.7, Limit Definition] For $f(x) = \sqrt{9 - x}$; $L = 2$, $a = 5$, $\varepsilon = 1$, use the graph of $f(x)$ to find the largest value of δ of $|x - a| < \delta$ in the formal definition of a limit which ensures that $|f(x) - L| < \varepsilon$.

Options: A. $\delta = 5$; B. $\delta = 2$; **C. $\delta = 3$** (Correct answer.); D. $\delta = 4$.



Solution: $|f(x) - L| < \varepsilon = 1$ gives us the vertical **green window for y from 1 to 3** (vertically). Then the intersection of the green window with the blue curve gives us the **horizontal window for x from 0 to 8**. The distance to $a = 5$ is 5 on the left hand side and 3 on the right hand side. **We need to pick an interval for x centered at $a = 5$ and with maximum radius δ in this red window**. Therefore, the maximum δ would be 3. (If you choose $\delta = 5$, the interval $|x - 5| < 5$ will exceed the red window on the right hand side. Then the corresponding $f(x)$ will escape the vertical green window.) □

Q4[Sec1.8, Domain of continuity] Use interval notation to indicate where $f(x)$ is continuous.

(a)

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 3x + 1}{x - 3}. \quad \text{Choose from below}$$

A. $(-\infty, +\infty)$; B. $(-\infty, 3) \cup (3, +\infty)$; C. $(-\infty, 1) \cup (1, +\infty)$; D. $(-\infty, 1) \cup (1, 3) \cup (3, +\infty)$.

Solution: $f(x)$ is continuous everywhere in its domain. The domain of $f(x)$ is all those x such that $f(x)$ is computable (meaningful/finite number). The only point not in f 's domain is $x = 3$, which makes the denominator zero. Therefore, $f(x)$ is continuous everywhere except $x = 3$. \square

(b)

$$f(x) = \sqrt{x+1}. \quad \text{Choose from below}$$

A. $(-\infty, +\infty)$; B. $(-\infty, -1]$; C. $[-1, +\infty)$; D. $(1, +\infty)$.

Solution: Similar to part (a), $f(x)$ is continuous everywhere in its domain. The expression under square root has to be nonnegative, i.e., $x + 1 \geq 0 \implies x \geq -1 \implies x \in [-1, +\infty)$. \square

(c)

$$f(x) = \frac{(x^2 - 3x + 1)\sqrt{x+1}}{x - 3}. \quad \text{Use (a,b) to indicate the intervals of continuous for (c)}$$

Solution: The function contains both expression in (a) and (b). Therefore, the domain where $f(x)$ where it is continuous should satisfy both (a) and (b). Combine part (a) and part (b), we have the answer $[-1, 3) \cup (3, +\infty)$. \square

Q5[Sec1.8, Piecewise function] For what value of k will $f(x)$ be continuous for all values of x ?

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2 - 3k}{x - 3}, & x \leq 2 \\ 8x - k, & x > 2 \end{cases}$$

Options: A. $k = 2$; B. $k = 3$; C. $k = 4$; D. $k = 5$.

Solution: $f(x)$ is a piecewise function which might have a break at the connecting point $x = 2$. The strategy is simply to plug $x = 2$ into the first and second expression of f . Then set them equal and solve for k .

Plug $x = 2$ into $\frac{x^2 - 3k}{x - 3}$, we get $\frac{2^2 - 3k}{2 - 3} = \frac{4 - 3k}{-1} = -(4 - 3k) = 3k - 4$.

Plug $x = 2$ into $8x - k$, we get $8x - k = 8 \cdot 2 - k = 16 - k$.

Set them equal: $3k - 4 = 16 - k \implies 4k = 20 \implies k = 5$.

The reason why these three steps give us the k such that f is continuous is as follows: $f(x)$ is continuous at $x = 2$ if and only if

$$(*) \quad f(2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x)$$

It graphically means that the left part of the curve and the right part of the curve are connected at $x = 2$. In the piecewise expression of $f(x)$, it is \leq in the first part. Therefore,

$$f(2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{x^2 - 3k}{x - 3} = \frac{4 - 3k}{-1} = 3k - 4$$

Similarly, we have

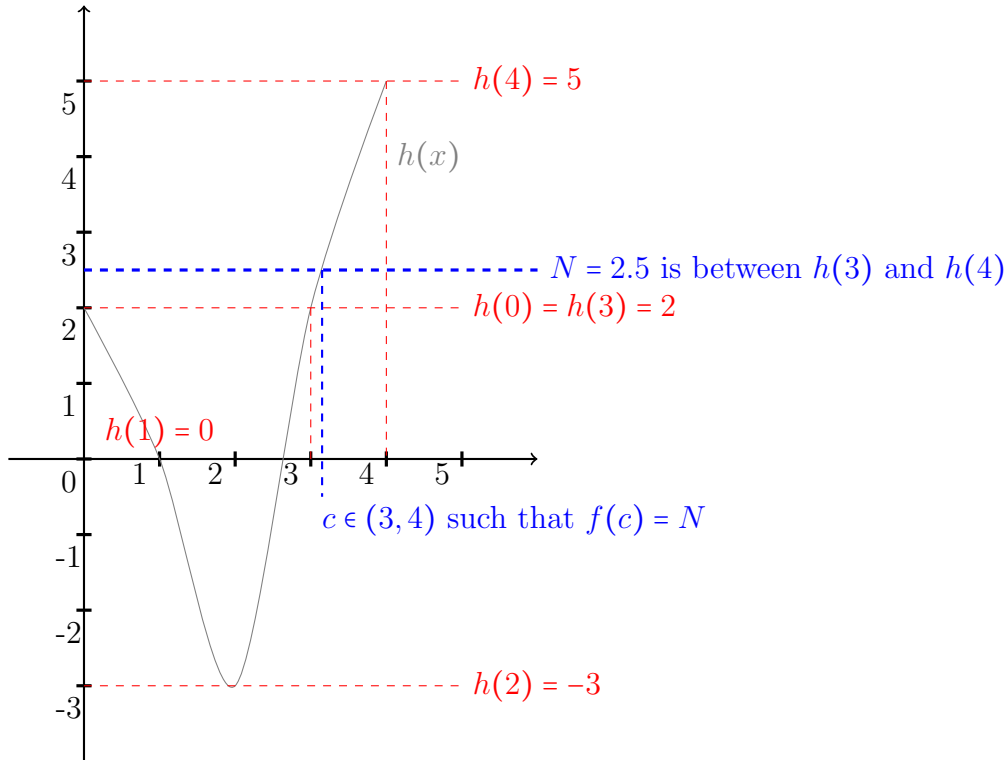
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} 8x - k = 8 \cdot 2 - k = 16 - k$$

Now due to $(*)$, it is enough to let $3k - 4 = 16 - k$ and solve for k . \square

Q6[Sec1.8, Intermediate Value Theorem(IVT)] Suppose function $h(x)$ is continuous on $[0, 4]$. Suppose $h(0) = 2, h(1) = 0, h(2) = -3, h(3) = 2, h(4) = 5$. For what value of N , there must be a $c \in (3, 4)$ such that $h(c) = N$?

Options: **A.** $N = 0.5$; **B.** $N = 0$; **C.** $N = -2$; **D.** $N = 2.5$.

Intermediate Value Theorem(IVT): If f is continuous on $[a, b]$, $f(a) \neq f(b)$, and N is between $f(a)$ and $f(b)$ then there exists $c \in (a, b)$ that satisfies $f(c) = N$.

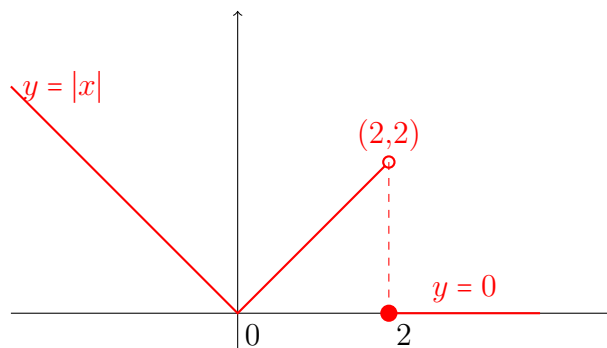


Q6[Sec2.1/2.2, derivative at given point] Select all true statements about the function $f(x) = \begin{cases} |x|, & x < 2 \\ 0, & x \geq 2 \end{cases}$

(False) I $f(x)$ is differentiable at $x = 0$.

(False) II $f(x)$ is continuous at $x = 2$

(True) III $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$ exists



Solution: From the above graph, $f(x)$ has a jump at $x = 2$ (the left and right parts are not connected), therefore, $f(x)$ is not continuous at $x = 2$. $f(x)$ has a sharp turn at $x = 0$, the left line has slope -1 and the right line has slope $+1$, therefore, $f(x)$ is not differentiable at $x = 0$. Also we can read the limits of f from the graph directly:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = 0, \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x) = 2, \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x) = 0$$

Therefore, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$ exists and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x)$ does not exist. □

Q7[Sec2.1/2.2, definition of derivative] Let $f(x) = \frac{1}{x+1}$

(a)[**Derivative as a limit**] Use the definition of the derivative to find $f'(x)$. (Your calculation must include computing a limit.)

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{x+h+1} - \frac{1}{x+1}}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{x+h+1} - \frac{1}{x+1}}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{x+1}{(x+h+1)(x+1)} - \frac{x+h+1}{(x+1)(x+h+1)}}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{(x+1) - (x+h+1)}{(x+h+1)(x+1)}}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{-h}{(x+h+1)(x+1)}}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-1}{(x+h+1)(x+1)} \\ &= \frac{-1}{(x+0+1)(x+1)} = \frac{-1}{(x+1)^2} \end{aligned}$$

□

(b)[**Evaluating the derivative function at given point**] Find $f'(2)$

Solution: $f'(2) = \frac{-1}{(2+1)^2} = -\frac{1}{9}$

□

(c)[**Point-slope formula for the tangent line**] Use part (b) to find an equation of a tangent line of $f(x)$ at $x = 2$.

Solution: Slope = $f'(2) = -\frac{1}{9}$. Point: $(2, f(2))$, where $f(2) = \frac{1}{2+1} = \frac{1}{3}$. According to the Point-Slope formula, the equation of the tangent line at $x = 2$ is given by:

$$y - \frac{1}{3} = \left(-\frac{1}{9}\right)(x - 2) \iff y = \left(-\frac{1}{9}\right)(x - 2) + \frac{1}{3}$$

□

Q7*[Sec2.1/2.2, definition of derivative] Use the definition of the derivative to find $g'(1)$ for $g(x) = 2\sqrt{x}$.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} g'(1) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(1+h) - g(1)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2\sqrt{1+h} - 2\sqrt{1}}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2(\sqrt{1+h} - 1)}{h} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{1+h} + 1}{\sqrt{1+h} + 1} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2(\sqrt{1+h} - 1)(\sqrt{1+h} + 1)}{h(\sqrt{1+h} + 1)} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2((\sqrt{1+h})^2 - 1^2)}{h(\sqrt{1+h} + 1)} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2(1+h-1)}{h(\sqrt{1+h} + 1)} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2h}{h(\sqrt{1+h} + 1)} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2}{\sqrt{1+h} + 1} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{1+0} + 1} = 1 \end{aligned}$$

□

Q8[Sec2.3/2.4/2.5, Differentiation Formulas/Laws] Find the derivatives of the following functions. Do not need to simplify.

(a)[Linear Rule+Power functions]

$$T(x) = 2\sqrt{x} - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} T'(x) &= \left(2\sqrt{x} - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}\right)' = \left(2x^{1/2}\right)' - \left(\frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2}\right)' \\ &= 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2}x^{1/2-1} - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)x^{-1/2-1} \\ &= x^{-1/2} + \frac{1}{4}x^{-3/2} \end{aligned}$$

□

(b)[Product Rule+Power functions]

$$g(t) = \left(\frac{1}{t^5} - 2t\right)\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} + \pi\right)$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} g'(t) &= \left(\left(\frac{1}{t^5} - 2t\right)\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} + \pi\right)\right)' = \left(\frac{1}{t^5} - 2t\right)' \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} + \pi\right) + \left(\frac{1}{t^5} - 2t\right) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} + \pi\right)' \\ &= \left(t^{-5} - 2t\right)' \cdot \left(t^{-1/2} + \pi\right) + \left(t^{-5} - 2t\right) \cdot \left(t^{-1/2} + \pi\right)' \\ &= \left(\left(t^{-5}\right)' - (2t)'\right) \cdot \left(t^{-1/2} + \pi\right) + \left(t^{-5} - 2t\right) \cdot \left(\left(t^{-1/2}\right)' + (\pi)'\right) \\ &= \left((-5)t^{-5-1} - 2\right) \cdot \left(t^{-1/2} + \pi\right) + \left(t^{-5} - 2t\right) \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{2}t^{-1/2-1} + 0\right) \end{aligned}$$

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(c)[Trig functions+Chain Rule]

$$y = \sin(x^2)$$

Solution: Outer function: $\sin(\blacksquare)$; Inner function: x^2 .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{outer}' &= (\sin(\blacksquare))' = \cos(\blacksquare) \rightarrow (\text{plug inner } x^2 \text{ in}) \rightarrow \cos(x^2); \\ \text{inner}' &= (x^2)' = 2x \\ y' &= (\sin(x^2))' = \text{outer}'(\text{inner}) \cdot \text{inner}' = \cos(x^2) \cdot (2x) \end{aligned}$$

□

(c*)[Trig functions+Chain Rule]

$$y = \sin^2(x)$$

Solution: Outer function: \blacksquare^2 ; Inner function: $\sin x$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{outer}' &= (\blacksquare^2)' = 2\blacksquare \rightarrow (\text{plug inner } \sin x \text{ in}) \rightarrow 2\sin x; \\ \text{inner}' &= (\sin x)' = \cos x \\ y' &= (\sin^2(x))' = \text{outer}'(\text{inner}) \cdot \text{inner}' = 2\sin x \cdot \cos x \end{aligned}$$

□

(d)[Quotient Rule+Trig functions+Chain Rule]

$$f(t) = \frac{3t}{\tan(t^2 - 1)}$$

Solution: Apply quotient rule first with Numerator: $3t$; Denominator: $\tan(t^2 - 1)$.

$$\begin{aligned} f'(t) &= \left(\frac{3t}{\tan(t^2 - 1)} \right)' = \frac{(\text{numerator})' \cdot \text{denominator} - \text{numerator} \cdot (\text{denominator})'}{(\text{denominator})^2} \\ &= \frac{(3t)' \cdot \tan(t^2 - 1) - 3t \cdot (\tan(t^2 - 1))'}{(\tan(t^2 - 1))^2} \\ &= \frac{3 \cdot \tan(t^2 - 1) - 3t \cdot (\tan(t^2 - 1))'}{(\tan(t^2 - 1))^2} \end{aligned}$$

To compute $(\tan(t^2 - 1))'$, we need chain rule with Outer function $\tan(\blacksquare)$ and Inner function $t^2 - 1$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{outer}' &= (\tan(\blacksquare))' = \sec^2(\blacksquare) \rightarrow (\text{plug inner } t^2 - 1 \text{ in}) \rightarrow \sec^2(t^2 - 1); \\ \text{inner}' &= (t^2 - 1)' = 2t - 0 = 2t \\ (\tan(t^2 - 1))' &= \text{outer}'(\text{inner}) \cdot \text{inner}' = \sec^2(t^2 - 1) \cdot (2t) \end{aligned}$$

Plug $(\tan(t^2 - 1))'$ back to the quotient rule, we have

$$f'(t) = \left(\frac{3t}{\tan(t^2 - 1)} \right)' = \frac{3 \cdot \tan(t^2 - 1) - 3t \cdot (\tan(t^2 - 1))'}{(\tan(t^2 - 1))^2} = \frac{3 \cdot \tan(t^2 - 1) - 3t \cdot \sec^2(t^2 - 1) \cdot (2t)}{(\tan(t^2 - 1))^2}$$

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(e)[Trig functions+Double Chain Rule]

$$f(x) = -2 \sec(\cos(x^2 + x))$$

Solution: $f(x)$ is a composition of three functions: $-\sec(\blacksquare)$, $\cos(\blacksquare)$ and $x^2 + x$. We need to apply chain rule twice.

1st Chain rule: Outer function: $-\sec(\blacksquare)$; Inner function: $\cos(x^2 + x)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{outer}' &= (-\sec(\blacksquare))' = -\sec(\blacksquare) \cdot \tan(\blacksquare) \\ & \quad (\text{plug inner } \cos(x^2 + x) \text{ in}) \rightarrow -\sec(\cos(x^2 + x)) \cdot \tan(\cos(x^2 + x)); \\ \text{inner}' &= (\cos(x^2 + x))' \\ (*) : \quad f'(x) &= \text{outer}'(\text{inner}) \cdot \text{inner}' = -\sec(\cos(x^2 + x)) \cdot \tan(\cos(x^2 + x)) \cdot (\cos(x^2 + x))' \end{aligned}$$

To compute $(\cos(x^2 + x))'$, we need to apply the second chain rule with Outer function: $\cos(\blacksquare)$; Inner function: $x^2 + x$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{outer}' &= (\cos(\blacksquare))' = -\sin(\blacksquare) \rightarrow (\text{plug inner } x^2 + x \text{ in}) \rightarrow -\sin(x^2 + x); \\ \text{inner}' &= (x^2 + x)' = (x^2)' + x' = 2x + 1 \\ (**) : \quad (\cos(x^2 + x))' &= \text{outer}'(\text{inner}) \cdot \text{inner}' = -\sin(x^2 + x) \cdot (2x + 1) \end{aligned}$$

Plug $(**)$ into $(*)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= -\sec(\cos(x^2 + x)) \cdot \tan(\cos(x^2 + x)) \cdot (\cos(x^2 + x))' \\ &= -\sec(\cos(x^2 + x)) \cdot \tan(\cos(x^2 + x)) \cdot (-\sin(x^2 + x) \cdot (2x + 1)) \\ &= \sec(\cos(x^2 + x)) \cdot \tan(\cos(x^2 + x)) \cdot \sin(x^2 + x) \cdot (2x + 1) \end{aligned}$$

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Q9[Sec2.7, Rates of Change/Functions of motion] A particle moves according to the law of motion $s(t) = t^3 - 5t^2 + 6t$, where t is measured in seconds and s in feet

(a)[1.4, Average velocity] Find the average velocity over the interval $[0, 2]$.

Solution: Average velocity=Average rate of change of $s(t)$ over $[0, 2]$

$$v_{ave} = \frac{s(2) - s(0)}{2 - 0} = \frac{(2^3 - 5 \cdot 2^2 + 6 \cdot 2) - (0)}{2} = \frac{8 - 20 + 12}{2} = 0 \text{ ft/s}$$

□

(b)[Velocity and position] Find the velocity at time t .

Solution:

$$v(t) = s'(t) = (t^3 - 5t^2 + 6t)' = (t^3)' - (5t^2)' + (6t)' = 3t^2 - 5 \cdot 2t + 6 = 3t^2 - 10t + 6$$

□

(c)[Acceleration and velocity] What is the acceleration after 6 seconds?

Solution:

$$a(t) = v'(t) = (3t^2 - 10t + 6)' = (3t^2)' - (10t)' + (6)' = 3 \cdot 2t - 10 + 0 = 6t - 10$$

$$a(6) = 6 \cdot 6 - 10 = 26 \text{ ft/s}^2$$

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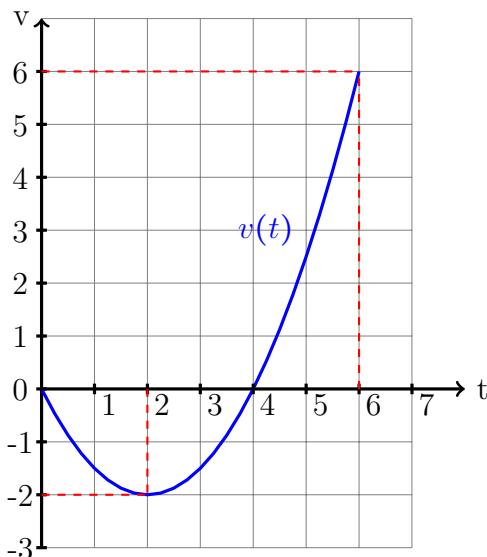
(d)[Velocity and speed] What is the speed of the particle when the acceleration is zero? **Solution:**

$a(t) = 6t - 10 = 0 \implies t = \frac{10}{6} = \frac{5}{3}$. Plug $t = 5/3$ into $v(t)$, we have

$$v\left(\frac{5}{3}\right) = 3\left(\frac{5}{3}\right)^2 - 10\frac{5}{3} + 6 = -\frac{7}{3} \implies \text{speed} = |v| = \frac{7}{3} \text{ ft/s}$$

□

Q10[Sec2.7, Graph of the velocity] The accompanying figure shows the velocity $v(t)$ of a particle moving on a horizontal coordinate line, for t in the closed interval $[0, 6]$.



Solution:

(a) When does the particle move forward?

Move forward $\iff v > 0 \iff t \in (4, 6)$

(b) When does the particle slow down?

Slow down \iff Speed $|v|$ drops $\iff t \in (2, 4)$

(c) When is the particle's acceleration positive?

acceleration positive $\iff a(t) = v'(t) > 0 \iff$ slope of the tangent line is positive/ v is increasing $\iff t \in (2, 6)$

(d) When does the particle move at its greatest speed in $[0, 6]$?

greatest speed \iff highest or lowest point in the graph $\iff t = 6$ (greatest speed=6)

Q11[Sec2.6, *Implicit differentiation*] Consider the curve $y^2 + 2xy + x^3 = x$

(a) Find the slope of the tangent line of the curve at the point $(1, -2)$.

Solution: Apply Implicit differential rule to the equation $y^2 + 2xy + x^3 = x$.

$$\begin{aligned} (y^2 + 2xy + x^3)' &= (x)' \\ \implies (y^2)' + (2xy)' + (x^3)' &= 1 \quad (*) \\ \implies 2y \cdot y' + 2y + 2xy' + 3x^2 &= 1 \quad (**) \end{aligned}$$

From (*) to (**), we use the chain rule for $(y^2)'$ and product rule for $(2xy)'$, where

$$\begin{aligned} \text{chain rule: } (y^2)' &= 2y(x) \cdot y'(x) = 2yy' \\ \text{product rule: } (2xy)' &= (2x)' \cdot y(x) + 2x \cdot y'(x) = 2y + 2xy' \\ (x^3)' &= 3x^2 \end{aligned}$$

Then plug $(x, y) = (1, -2)$, i.e., $x = 1, y = -2$ into the above equation, we have

$$2 \cdot (-2) \cdot y' + 2(-2) + 2 \cdot 1 \cdot y' + 3 \cdot 1^2 = 1 \iff -4y' - 4 + 2y' + 3 = 1 \iff -2y' = 2 \iff y' = -1$$

Therefore, the slope of the tangent line at $(1, -2)$ equals $y' = -1$ □

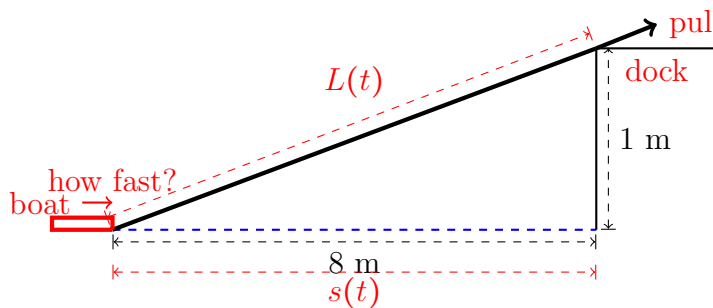
(b) Find the equation of the tangent line of the curve at the point $(1, -2)$.

Solution: Slope = -1. Point $(1, -2)$. The slope-point formula gives the formula for the tangent line:

$$y - (-2) = (-1)(x - 1) \iff y = (-1)(x - 1) - 2$$

□

Q12, Sec2.8, Related Rates A boat is pulled into a dock by a rope attached to the bow of the boat and passing through a pulley on the dock that is 1 m higher than the bow of the boat. If the rope is pulled in at a rate of 1 m/s, how fast is the boat approaching the dock when it is 8 m from the dock?



Target functions: (horizontal) position of the boat $s(t)$; length of the rope: $L(t)$.
Want to find the horizontal velocity $v(t) = s'(t)$ given $L' = 1$ and $s = 8$

Solution: Relation of s and L is given by Pythagorean theorem:

$$s^2(t) + 1^2 = L^2(t) \iff s^2 + 1 = L^2 \quad (*)$$

Take derivative both sides: $(s^2 + 1)' = (L^2)'$ $\iff (s^2)' + 1' = (L^2)'$. Since both $s = s(t)$ and $L = L(t)$ are functions, we need to apply chain rule to compute $(s^2)' = 2s \cdot s'$, $(L^2)' = 2L \cdot L'$.

Now we get

$$2s \cdot s' + 0 = 2L \cdot L' \iff s \cdot s' = L \cdot L' \quad (**).$$

Give $s = 8$, from (*) we can also figure out the corresponding L as $8^2 + 1 = L^2 \iff L^2 = 65 \implies L = \sqrt{65}$. Now we can plug $s = 8, L = \sqrt{65}, L' = 1$ into (**) to solve for s' , i.e.,

$$8 \cdot s' = \sqrt{65} \cdot 1 \implies s' = \frac{\sqrt{65}}{8} \implies v(t) = s'(t) = \frac{\sqrt{65}}{8} \text{ m/s}$$

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