

Problem: Use derivatives to find tangent and normal lines.

Example 1: Find the derivative of each of the following.

1) $f(x) = 2x^3$
 $f'(x) = 3 \cdot 2x^2 = 6x^2$

2) $f(x) = x^2 - 2x + 1$
 $f'(x) = 2x - 2$

3) $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$
 $f'(x) = -\frac{1}{x^2}$

4) $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$
 $f'(x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$

5) $f(x) = \sqrt[3]{x}$
 $f'(x) = \frac{1}{3x^{2/3}}$

6) $f(x) = \ln(x)$
 $f'(x) = \frac{1}{x}$

7) $f(x) = e^x$
 $f'(x) = e^x$

8) $f(x) = \cos(x)$
 $f'(x) = -\sin(x)$

9) $f(x) = \sin(x)$
 $f'(x) = \cos(x)$

10) $f(x) = \tan(x)$
 $f'(x) = \sec^2(x)$

11) $f(x) = \cot(x)$
 $f'(x) = -\csc^2(x)$

12) $f(x) = \sec(x)$
 $f'(x) = \sec(x)\tan(x)$

13) $f(x) = \csc(x)$
 $f'(x) = -\csc(x)\cot(x)$

14) $f(x) = \arcsin(x)$
 $f'(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$

15) $f(x) = \arccos(x)$
 $f'(x) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$

16) $f(x) = \arctan(x)$
 $f'(x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$

17) $f(x) = \operatorname{arccot}(x)$
 $f'(x) = -\frac{1}{1+x^2}$

18) $f(x) = \operatorname{arcsec}(x)$
 $f'(x) = \frac{1}{|x|\sqrt{x^2-1}}$

19) $f(x) = \operatorname{arccsc}(x)$
 $f'(x) = \frac{1}{|x|\sqrt{x^2-1}}$

20) $f(x) = \operatorname{arcsec}(x)$
 $f'(x) = \frac{1}{|x|\sqrt{x^2-1}}$

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Tangent and Normal Lines at a Point

Equation of a Line in Point-Slope Form

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

Leave x and y!
Do not plug anything into those variables

Slope of the tangent line = derivative

Point, derivative, Point!

Normal Line (perpendicular) *opposite reciprocals!

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Example #1: Using $f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$, find the following for $f(x) = 4x^2 - x + 1$

a) $f'(x)$

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{4(x+h)^2 - (x+h) + 1 - (4x^2 - x + 1)}{h}$$

$$= \frac{4(x^2 + 2xh + h^2) - x - h + 1 - 4x^2 + x - 1}{h}$$

$$= \frac{4x^2 + 8xh + 4h^2 - x - h + 1 - 4x^2 + x - 1}{h}$$

$$= \frac{8xh + 4h^2 - h}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} (8x + 4h - 1) = 8x - 1 = f'(x)$$

b) $(3, 1)$
 $x_1 = 3, y_1 = 1$

Tangent: $y - 1 = 23(x - 3)$
 $f'(x) = 8x - 1$
 $f'(3) = 8(3) - 1 = 23$

Normal: $y - 1 = -\frac{1}{23}(x - 3)$

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Concept Check: Using $f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$, find the following for $f(x) = -x^2 - 2x + 7$

a) $f'(x)$

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-(x+h)^2 - 2(x+h) + 7 - (-x^2 - 2x + 7)}{h}$$

$$= \frac{-(x^2 + 2xh + h^2) - 2x - 2h + 7 - (-x^2 - 2x + 7)}{h}$$

$$= \frac{-x^2 - 2xh - h^2 - 2x - 2h + 7 + x^2 + 2x - 7}{h}$$

$$= \frac{-2xh - h^2 - 2h}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} (-2x - h - 2) = -2x - 2 = f'(x)$$

b) The equation of the tangent line and the normal line at $x = -2$

a) $f'(x) = -2x - 2$

b) $f'(-2) = 4 - 2 = 2$

Tangent: $y - 7 = 2(x + 2)$

Normal: $y - 7 = -\frac{1}{2}(x + 2)$

$f(-2) = -(-2)^2 - 2(-2) + 7 = 7$

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