



In each of Problems 11–16, a function f is given along with a number c in its domain.

- a. Find the difference quotient of f .
- b. Find $f'(c)$ by computing the limit of the difference quotient.

11. $f(x) = 3$ at $c = -5$ 12. $f(x) = x$ at $c = 2$
 13. $f(x) = 2x$ at $c = 1$ 14. $f(x) = 2x^2$ at $c = 1$
 15. $f(x) = 2 - x^2$ at $c = 0$ 16. $f(x) = -x^2$ at $c = 2$

Use the definition to differentiate the functions given in Problems 17–28, and then describe the set of all numbers for which the function is differentiable.

17. $f(x) = 5$ 18. $g(x) = 3x$
 19. $f(x) = 3x - 7$ 20. $g(x) = 4 - 5x$
 21. $g(x) = 3x^2$ 22. $h(x) = 2x^2 + 3$
 23. $f(x) = x^2 - x$ 24. $g(t) = 4 - t^2$
 25. $f(s) = (s - 1)^2$ 26. $f(x) = \frac{1}{2x}$
 27. $f(x) = \sqrt{5x}$ 28. $f(x) = \sqrt{x+1}$

Find an equation for the tangent line to the graph of the function at the specified point in Problems 29–34.

29. $f(x) = 3x - 7$ at $(3, 2)$ 30. $g(x) = 3x^2$ at $(-2, 12)$
 31. $f(s) = s^3$ at $s = -\frac{1}{2}$ 32. $g(t) = 4 - t^2$ at $t = 0$
 33. $f(x) = \frac{1}{x+3}$ at $x = 2$ 34. $g(x) = \sqrt{x-5}$ at $x = 9$

Find an equation of the normal line to the graph of the function at the specified point in Problems 35–38.

35. $f(x) = 3x - 7$ at $(3, 2)$ 36. $g(x) = 4 - 5x$ at $(0, 4)$
 37. $f(x) = \frac{1}{x+3}$ at $x = 3$ 38. $f(x) = \sqrt{5x}$ at $x = 5$

Find $\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{x=c}$ for the functions and values of c given in Problems 39–42.

39. $y = 2x$, $c = -1$ 40. $y = 4 - x$, $c = 2$
 41. $y = 1 - x^2$, $c = 0$ 42. $y = \frac{4}{x}$, $c = 1$

- B** 43. Suppose $f(x) = x^2$.

- a. Compute the slope of the secant line joining the points on the graph of f whose x -coordinates are -2 and -1.9 .
- b. Use calculus to compute the slope of the line that is tangent to the graph when $x = -2$ and compare this slope with your answer in part a.

44. Suppose $f(x) = x^3$.

- a. Compute the slope of the secant line joining the points on the graph of f whose x -coordinates are 1 and 1.1 .
- b. Use calculus to compute the slope of the line that is tangent to the graph when $x = 1$ and compare this slope to your answer from part a.

45. Sketch the graph of the function $y = x^2 - x$. Determine the value(s) of x for which the derivative is 0 . What happens to the graph at the corresponding point(s)?

46. a. Find the derivative of $f(x) = x^2 - 3x$.

b. Show that the parabola whose equation is $y = x^2 - 3x$ has one horizontal tangent line. Find the equation of this line.

c. Find a point on the graph of f where the tangent line is parallel to the line $3x + y = 11$.

d. Sketch the graph of the parabola whose equation is $y = x^2 - 3x$. Display the horizontal tangent line and the tangent line found in part c.

47. a. Find the derivative of $f(x) = 4 - 2x^2$.

b. The graph of f has one horizontal tangent line. What is its equation?

c. At what point on the graph of f is the tangent line parallel to the line $8x + 3y = 4$?

48. Show that the function $f(x) = |x - 2|$ is not differentiable at $x = 2$.

49. Is the function $f(x) = 2|x + 1|$ differentiable at $x = 1$?

50. Let $f(x) = \begin{cases} -x^2 & \text{if } x < 0 \\ x^2 & \text{if } x \geq 0 \end{cases}$

Does $f'(0)$ exist? *Hint:* Find the difference quotient and take the limit as $\Delta x \rightarrow 0$ from the left and from the right.

51. Let $f(x) = \begin{cases} -2x & \text{if } x < 1 \\ \sqrt{x} - 3 & \text{if } x \geq 1 \end{cases}$

a. Sketch the graph of f .

b. Show that f is continuous but not differentiable at $x = 1$.

52. **Counterexample Problem** Give an example of a function that is continuous on $(-\infty, \infty)$ but is not differentiable at $x = 5$.

Estimate the derivative $f'(c)$ in Problems 53–58 by evaluating the difference quotient

$$\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = \frac{f(c + \Delta x) - f(c)}{\Delta x}$$

at a succession of numbers near c .