

## Section 2.8 – The Derivative as a Function

- Derivative of  $f$  at any value ( $x$ )

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

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للاشتقاق  
(ليس عند نقطة محددة  $a$ )

### Example 1

If  $f(x) = x^3 - x$ , find a formula for  $f'(x)$ .

**Solution**

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{[(x+h)^3 - (x+h)] - [x^3 - x]}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^3 + 3x^2h + 3xh^2 + h^3 - x - h - x^3 + x}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h(3x^2 + 3xh + h^2 - 1)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 3x^2 + 3xh + h^2 - 1 \\ f'(x) &= 3x^2 - 1 \end{aligned}$$

لاحظ

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$$f'(x) = y' = \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{df}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx} f(x) = Df(x) = D_x f(x)$$

## Example 2

Find  $f'$  if  $f(x) = \frac{1-x}{2+x}$ .

## Solution

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

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

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

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

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

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

$$= \frac{-3}{(2+x)^2}$$

## القابلية للتفاضل

## - Differentiability

A function  $f$  is **differentiable at  $a$**  if  $f'(a)$  exists.

It is **differentiable on an open interval  $(a, b)$**  if it is differentiable at every number in the interval.

## Example 3

Is the function  $f(x) = |x|$  differentiable at  $x = 0$ ?

## Solution

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

$$f'(0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{|0+h| - |0|}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{|h|}{h}$$

$$\therefore \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} = \frac{-h}{h} = -1$$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} = \frac{h}{h} = 1$$

$$\therefore \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \text{DNE}$$

$f(x) = |x|$  is not differentiable at  $x = 0$

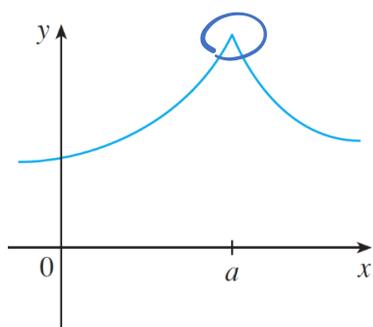
**- Theorem:**If  $f$  is differentiable at  $a$ , then  $f$  is continuous at  $a$ 

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Differentiability  $\rightarrow$  continuity

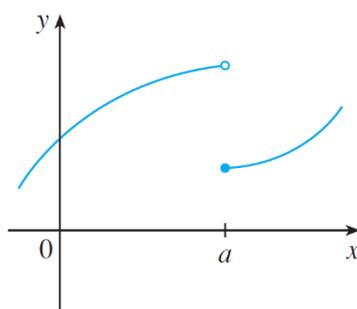
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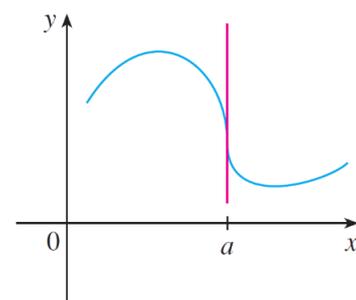


(a) A corner

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(b) A discontinuity

عدم اتصال  
(بكل حالاته)

(c) A vertical tangent

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- Higher derivatives

تدریجاً تدریجاً

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

## Example 4

If  $f(x) = x^3 - x$ , find a formula for  $f''(x)$ .

## Solution

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

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{[(x+h)^3 - (x+h)] - [x^3 - x]}{h}$$

$$f'(x) = 3x^2 - 1$$

انظر مثال 1

$$f''(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{[3(x+h)^2 - 1] - [3x^2 - 1]}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{3(x^2 + 2xh + h^2) - 1 - 3x^2 + 1}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cancel{3x^2} + 6xh + 3h^2 - \cancel{3x^2}}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cancel{h}(6x - 3h)}{\cancel{h}}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 6x - 3h = 6x$$

**Problems**

- Find the derivative of the function using the definition of derivative.

(a)  $f(x) = 4 + 8x - 5x^2$

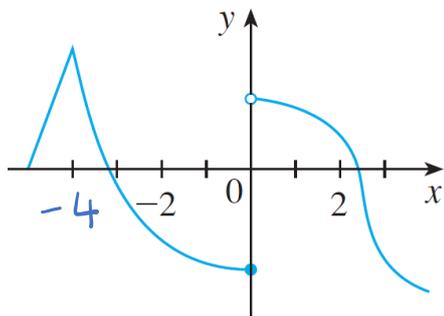
$$\begin{aligned}
 f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{4 + 8(x+h) - 5(x+h)^2 - [4 + 8x - 5x^2]}{h} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cancel{4} + \cancel{8x} + 8h - 5(x^2 + 2xh + h^2) - \cancel{4} - \cancel{8x} + 5x^2}{h} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{8h - \cancel{5x^2} - 10xh - 5h^2 + \cancel{5x^2}}{h} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 8 - 10x - 5h = 8 - 10x
 \end{aligned}$$

$$(b) f(x) = x + \sqrt{x}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{x+h + \sqrt{x+h} - [x + \sqrt{x}]}{h} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{x+h + \sqrt{x+h} - x - \sqrt{x}}{h} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h}{h} + \frac{\sqrt{x+h} - \sqrt{x}}{h} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x}} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 1 + \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cancel{x+h} - \cancel{x}}{h(\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x})} \\
 &= 1 + \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cancel{h}}{\cancel{h}(\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x})} \\
 &= 1 + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}
 \end{aligned}$$

- The graph of  $f$  is given. State, with reasons, the numbers at which  $f$  is *not* differentiable.

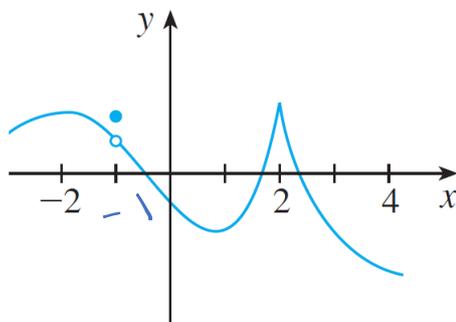
(a)



$x = -4$  corner

$x = 0$  discontinuity

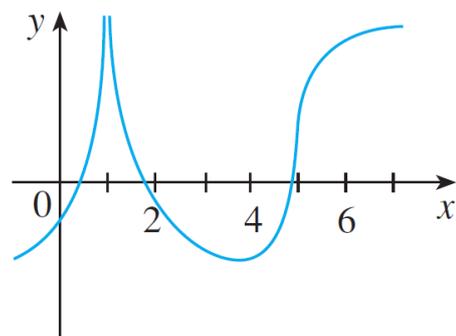
(b)



$x = -1$  discontinuity

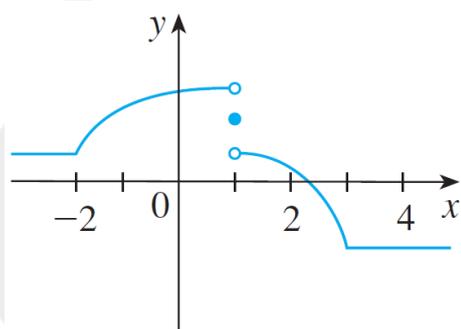
$x = 2$  corner

(c)



$x = 1$  discontinuity (VA)

(d)



$x = -2$  corner

$x = 1$  discontinuity

$x = 3$  corner

- (a) If  $g(x) = x^{2/3}$ , show that  $g'(0)$  does not exist.

$$\begin{aligned}
 g'(0) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(0+h)^{2/3} - 0^{2/3}}{h} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h^{2/3}}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} h^{2/3-1} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} h^{2/3-1} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} h^{-1/3} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h^{1/3}} \quad \text{DNE}
 \end{aligned}$$

b) If  $a \neq 0$ , find  $g'(a)$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 g'(a) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{x^{2/3} - a^{2/3}}{x - a} = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{(x^{1/3})^2 - (a^{1/3})^2}{(x^{1/3})^3 - (a^{1/3})^3} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{\cancel{(x^{1/3} - a^{1/3})} (x^{1/3} + a^{1/3})}{\cancel{(x^{1/3} - a^{1/3})} (x^{2/3} + x^{1/3}a^{1/3} + a^{2/3})} \\
 &= \frac{2a^{1/3}}{3a^{2/3}} = \frac{2}{3} a^{-1/3} = \frac{2}{3a^{1/3}}
 \end{aligned}$$

(c) Show that  $y = x^{2/3}$  has a vertical tangent line at  $(0, 0)$ .

$g(0)$  is defined,  $g(0) = 0^{2/3} = 0$   
 and  $g'(0) = \infty \Rightarrow y = x^{2/3}$  has a VA at  $(0|0)$

- Show that the function  $f(x) = |x - 6|$  is not differentiable at 6.

Find a formula for  $f'$ .

$$f'(6) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(6+h) - f(6)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{|6+h-6| - |6-6|}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{|h|}{h}$$

$$|h| = \begin{cases} h & h \geq 0 \\ -h & h < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{h}{h} = 1 \quad \neq \quad \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{-h}{h} = -1$$

$$\therefore \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{|h|}{h} \text{ DNE}$$

and  $f(x)$  is not differentiable  
at  $x = 6$

- (a) Find  $f'_-(4)$  and  $f'_+(4)$  for the function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \leq 0 \\ 5-x & \text{if } 0 < x < 4 \\ \frac{1}{5-x} & \text{if } x \geq 4 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f'_-(4) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{f(4+h) - f(4)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{5 - (4+h) - [5-4]}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{x-h-x}{h} = -1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f'_+(4) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\frac{1}{5-(4+h)} - \frac{1}{5-4}}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\frac{1}{1-h} - 1}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1 - (1-h)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{h}{h(1-h)} = 1 \end{aligned}$$

(b) Where is  $f$  discontinuous?

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = 0$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} 5 - x = 5$$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) \neq \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x)$$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) \text{ DNE}$$

therefore  $f(x)$  is discontinuous at  $x = 0$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 5^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5^-} \frac{1}{5-x} = \infty$$

therefore  $f(x)$  is discontinuous at  $x = 5$  (VA)

(c) Where is  $f$  not differentiable?

$f$  is not differentiable at

$x = 0$  and  $x = 5$  discontinuity

$x = 4$  because  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(4+h) - f(4)}{h}$   
DNE