

# Problem Solving\_Template

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## 3.1 Tangents and the Derivative at a Point

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In Exercises 19–22, find the slope of the curve at the point indicated.

19.  $y = 5x^2$ ,  $x = -1$       20.  $y = 1 - x^2$ ,  $x = 2$

21.  $y = \frac{1}{x-1}$ ,  $x = 3$       22.  $y = \frac{x-1}{x+1}$ ,  $x = 0$

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In Exercises 11–18, find the slope of the function's graph at the given point. Then find an equation for the line tangent to the graph there.

11.  $f(x) = x^2 + 1$ ,  $(2, 5)$       12.  $f(x) = x - 2x^2$ ,  $(1, -1)$

13.  $g(x) = \frac{x}{x-2}$ ,  $(3, 3)$       14.  $g(x) = \frac{8}{x^2}$ ,  $(2, 2)$

15.  $h(t) = t^3$ ,  $(2, 8)$       16.  $h(t) = t^3 + 3t$ ,  $(1, 4)$

17.  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$ ,  $(4, 2)$       18.  $f(x) = \sqrt{x+1}$ ,  $(8, 3)$

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### Tangent Lines with Specified Slopes

At what points do the graphs of the functions in Exercises 23 and 24 have horizontal tangents?

23.  $f(x) = x^2 + 4x - 1$       24.  $g(x) = x^3 - 3x$

25. Find equations of all lines having slope  $-1$  that are tangent to the curve  $y = 1/(x - 1)$ .

26. Find an equation of the straight line having slope  $1/4$  that is tangent to the curve  $y = \sqrt{x}$ .

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Testing for Tangents

- ★ 33. Does the graph of

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 \sin(1/x), & x \neq 0 \\ 0, & x = 0 \end{cases}$$

have a tangent at the origin? Give reasons for your answer.

- ★ 34. Does the graph of

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} x \sin(1/x), & x \neq 0 \\ 0, & x = 0 \end{cases}$$

have a tangent at the origin? Give reasons for your answer.

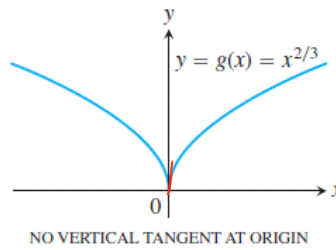
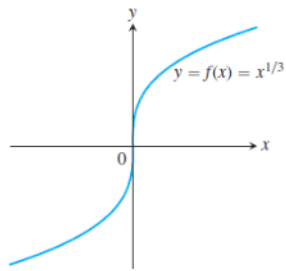
- b. Show that

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 \sin \frac{1}{x}, & x \neq 0 \\ 0, & x = 0 \end{cases}$$

is differentiable at  $x = 0$  and find  $f'(0)$ .

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**Remark**



36. Does the graph of

$$U(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x < 0 \\ 1, & x \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

have a vertical tangent at the point  $(0, 1)$ ? Give reasons for your answer.

## 3.2 | The Derivative as a Function

In Exercises 7–12, find the indicated derivatives.

- ★ 9.  $\frac{ds}{dt}$  if  $s = \frac{t}{2t+1}$       10.  $\frac{dv}{dt}$  if  $v = t - \frac{1}{t}$
- ★ 11.  $\frac{dp}{dq}$  if  $p = \frac{1}{\sqrt{q+1}}$       12.  $\frac{dz}{dw}$  if  $z = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3w-2}}$

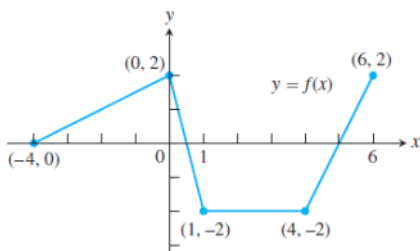
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In Exercises 17–18, differentiate the functions. Then find an equation of the tangent line at the indicated point on the graph of the function.

★ 17.  $y = f(x) = \frac{8}{\sqrt{x-2}}$ ,  $(x, y) = (6, 4)$

18.  $w = g(z) = 1 + \sqrt{4-z}$ ,  $(z, w) = (3, 2)$

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31. a. The graph in the accompanying figure is made of line segments joined end to end. At which points of the interval  $[-4, 6]$  is  $f'$  not defined? Give reasons for your answer.



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- ★ In Exercises 41 and 42, determine if the piecewise defined function is differentiable at the origin.

41.  $f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x - 1, & x \geq 0 \\ x^2 + 2x + 7, & x < 0 \end{cases}$

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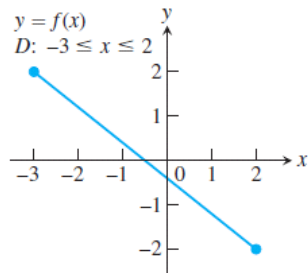
★ **Differentiability and Continuity on an Interval**

Each figure in Exercises 43–48 shows the graph of a function over a closed interval  $D$ . At what domain points does the function appear to be

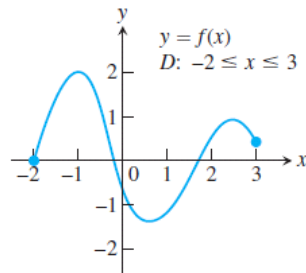
- differentiable?
- continuous but not differentiable?
- neither continuous nor differentiable?

Give reasons for your answers.

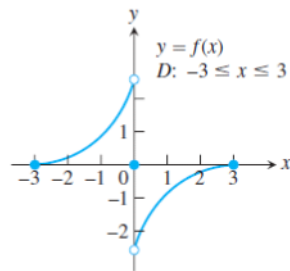
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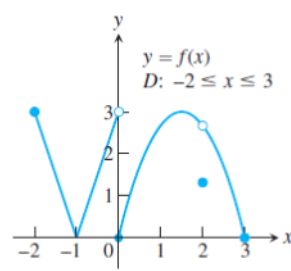
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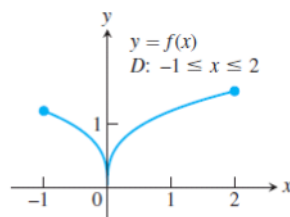
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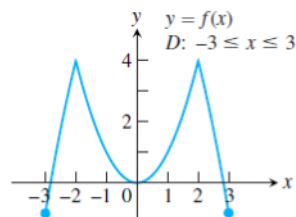
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53. **Tangent to a parabola** Does the parabola  $y = 2x^2 - 13x + 5$  have a tangent whose slope is  $-1$ ? If so, find an equation for the line and the point of tangency. If not, why not?

### 3.3

#### Differentiation Rules

Find the derivatives of the functions:

29.  $y = 2e^{-x} + e^{3x}$

31.  $y = x^3e^x$

33.  $y = x^{9/4} + e^{-2x}$

35.  $s = 2t^{3/2} + 3e^2$

★ 37.  $y = \sqrt{x^2} - x^e$

39.  $r = \frac{e^s}{s}$

★ 23.  $f(s) = \frac{\sqrt{s}-1}{\sqrt{s}+1}$

30.  $y = \frac{x^2 + 3e^x}{2e^x - x}$

32.  $w = re^{-r}$

★ 34.  $y = x^{-3/5} + \pi^{3/2}$

36.  $w = \frac{1}{z^{1.4}} + \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{z}}$

38.  $y = \sqrt[3]{x^{9.6}} + 2e^{1.3}$

★ 40.  $r = e^\theta \left( \frac{1}{\theta^2} + \theta^{-\pi/2} \right)$

★ 51.  $w = 3z^2e^{2z}$

### 3.5

#### Derivatives of Trigonometric Functions

##### Derivatives

In Exercises 1–18, find  $dy/dx$ .

1.  $y = -10x + 3 \cos x$

2.  $y = \frac{3}{x} + 5 \sin x$

3.  $y = x^2 \cos x$

★ 4.  $y = \sqrt{x} \sec x + 3$

5.  $y = \csc x - 4\sqrt{x} + 7$

6.  $y = x^2 \cot x - \frac{1}{x^2}$

★ 7.  $f(x) = \sin x \tan x$

8.  $g(x) = \csc x \cot x$

★ 9.  $y = (\sec x + \tan x)(\sec x - \tan x)$

10.  $y = (\sin x + \cos x) \sec x$