

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 10^-} \frac{x^2 + 100}{x - 10} = \frac{200}{0^-} = \boxed{-\infty}$$

$$\frac{100 + 100}{10^- - 10} = \frac{200}{0^-}$$

9.9
-0.1

Section 2.1

Def: The derivative of the function $f(x)$ with respect to x is the function $f'(x)$,

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

If the function $f(x)$ doesn't have a derivative at $x=c$, we say " f is not differentiable at $x=c$ ".

Ex: find $f'(x)$, $f(x) = 3x^2$.

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{3(x+h)^2 - 3x^2}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cancel{3x^2} + 6xh + 3h^2 - \cancel{3x^2}}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cancel{h}(6x + 3h)}{\cancel{h}} \\ &= 6x + 3 \cdot 0 = \boxed{6x} \end{aligned}$$

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- Note:
- The slope of the tangent line to the curve $y=f(x)$ at $(c, f(c))$ is $m=f'(c)$.
 - The rate of change of $f(x)$ with respect to x when $x=c$ is $f'(c)$.

Ex: Find the tangent line to $y=x^3$ at $x=2$.

$$y(2) = 2^3 = 8 \quad \text{point: } (2, 8)$$

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

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

$$= 3x^2 + 3x \cdot 0 + 0^2 = 3x^2$$

$$m = y'(2) = 3 \cdot 2^2 = 12$$

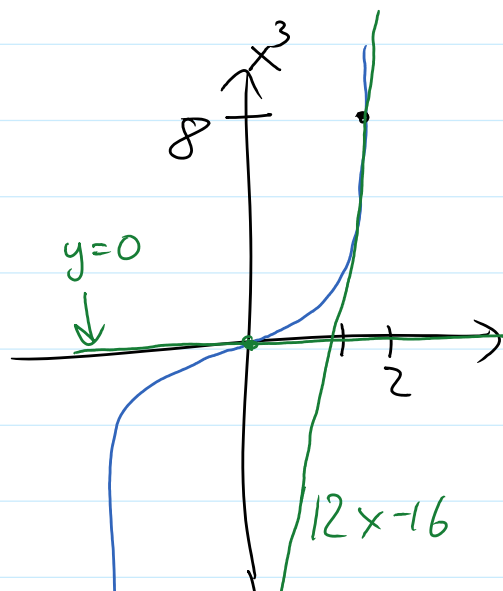
$$\underline{y - y_0 = m(x - x_0)} \quad | \quad y = mx + b$$

$$y - 8 = 12(x - 2)$$

$$y = 12x - 24 + 8$$

$$\boxed{y = 12x - 16}$$

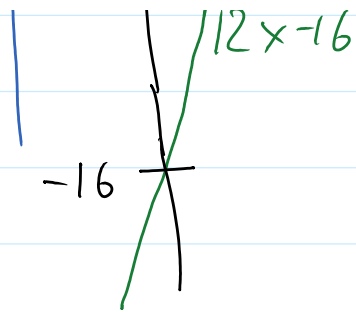
[at $x=0$]



$$y'(0) = 3 \cdot 0^2 = 0$$

$$y - 0 = 0(x - 0)$$

$$\boxed{y = 0}$$



Ex: A company has profit

$$P(x) = -400x^2 + 6800x - 12000.$$

x ... in thousands of units

At what rate should we expect profit to be **changing** with respect to the level of production x when 9000 units are produced? Is the profit increasing or decreasing?

Find $P'(9)$

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

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-400(x+h)^2 + 6800(x+h) - 12000 - (-400x^2 + 6800x - 12000)}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-400(x^2 + 2xh + h^2) + 6800x + 6800h - 12000 + 400x^2 - 6800x + 12000}{h}$$

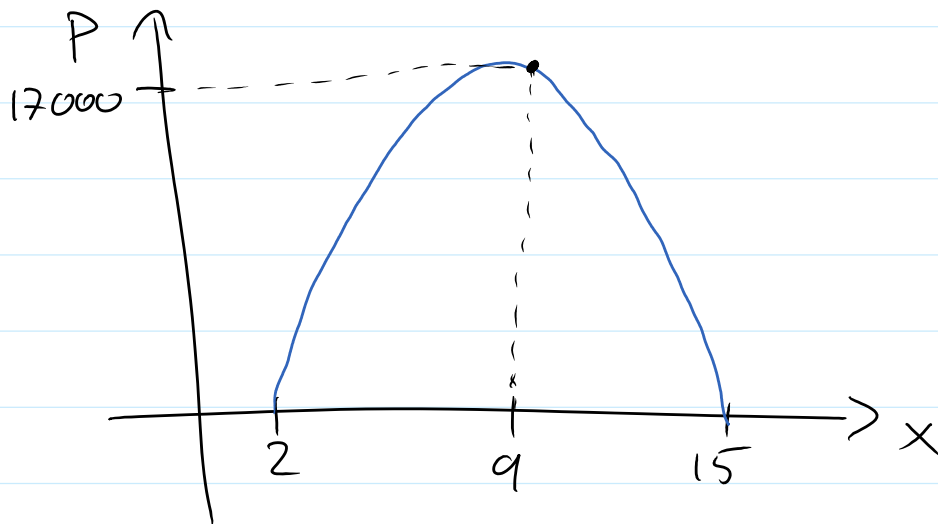
$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-400x^2 - 800xh - 400h^2 + 6800h + 400x^2}{h}$$

$$= -800x - 400 \cdot 0 + 6800 = \boxed{-800x + 6800}$$

$$P'(9) = -800 \cdot 9 + 6800 = -7200 + 6800 \\ = \boxed{-400}$$

The profit is changing at the rate of
-400 dollars/1000 units

The profit is decreasing.



$f'(c)$ exists

Theorem: If the function f is differentiable at $x=c$, then

- f is increasing at $x=c$, if $f'(c) > 0$
- f is decreasing at $x=c$, if $f'(c) < 0$.