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Day 1

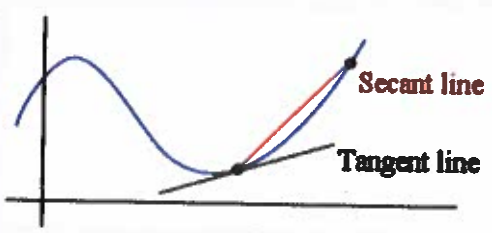
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### Introduction to Derivatives Webquest

- o Answer the questions on the handout.
- o Take Notes on other key points! 😊
- o Be prepared to discuss afterwards.

### Secant vs Tangent

- o Tangent lines touch a curve at one point
- o Slope at that one point is *instantaneous* rate of change.
- o **Secant** lines cut through a curve at two points
- o The slope of a secant line between those two points it is called the *average* rate of change.

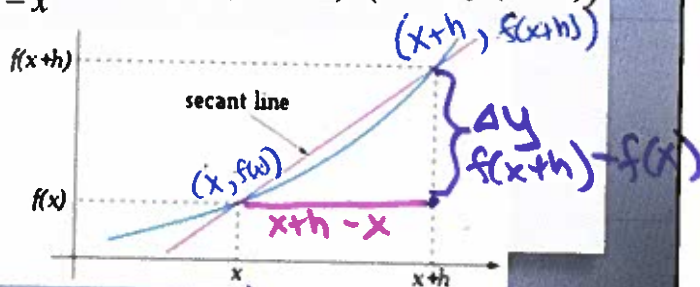


## Slope - all the same!

$$m = \text{rate of change} = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{\text{change in } y}{\text{change in } x} = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x}$$

$$m = \frac{f(x_2) - f(x_1)}{x_2 - x_1} \quad \text{where: } (x_1, f(x_1)); (x_2, f(x_2))$$

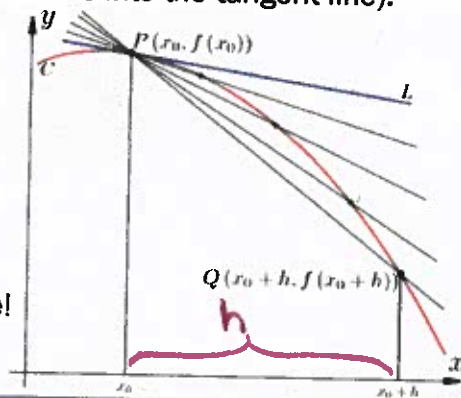
$$m = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{x+h-x} \quad \text{where: } (x, f(x)); (x+h, f(x+h))$$



$h$   
 $\Delta x$

## Use Secant or Tangent?

- Tangent lines are REALLY hard to draw. So you can draw a secant line and calculate its slope as one point on the line gets closer and closer to the point of tangency (thus, making the secant line into the tangent line).
- Of course, the change in  $x$  (the  $h$  here) would be 0 if the two points actually made it on top of each other.
- That's where the idea of limits comes in here!



## Limit Definition of Derivative!

Building off of the last slope you wrote down

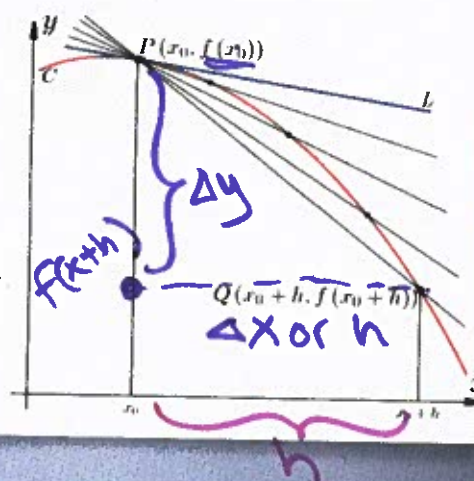
$$m = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{x+h-x}$$

The Limit Definition of Derivative is

$$f'(x) = \frac{d}{dx} f(x) =$$

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

$$f' =$$



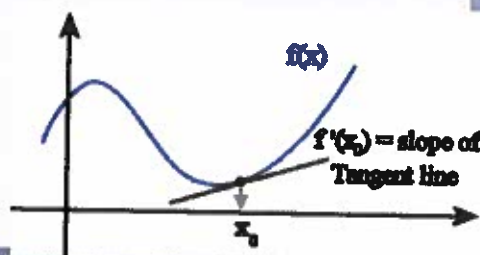
## Limit definition of derivative

The derivative with respect to x is

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

The derivative is

- The slope of the tangent line at a single point on the curve.
- The Instantaneous rate of change



## What do we need to write an equation of a line?

- 1) One point and slope; then use point slope formula  $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$
- 2) Two points; then compute the slope and use one of the points in the point slope formula

→ We'll do this at a later date!!

## Notation of Derivative

Given  $f(x) = 3x^2 + 5x$ .

$$\frac{dy}{dx}, y', f'(x)$$

We could say...

$f'(x) = 6x + 5$  or

$y' = 6x + 5$  or

$\frac{dy}{dx} = 6x + 5$

$f'$  or  $y'$  is called  
"f prime or  
y prime"

$\frac{dy}{dx}$  is said  
"derivative of y  
with respect to x"

*x is variable*

Example 1:

Evaluate the derivative using the limit definition of derivatives.  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$

o Function:  $f(x) = 4x + 9$

$$f' = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(4(x+h) + 9) - (4x + 9)}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(4x + 4h + 9) - 4x - 9}{h}$$

$$= \boxed{4}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cancel{4h}}{\cancel{h}} = \boxed{4}$$

Example 2:

Evaluate the derivative using the limit

definition of derivatives.  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$

o Function:  $f(x) = x^2 + 2x + 3$

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

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

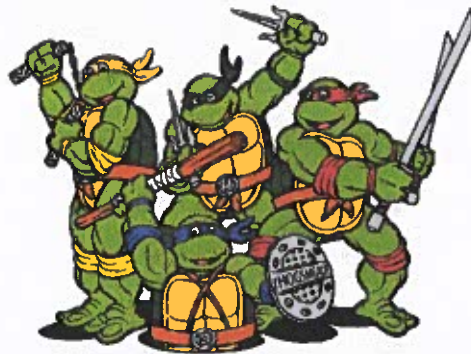
$$= 2x + 2$$

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

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 2x + h + 2 = 2x + 2$$

## Classwork: Packet p.2

- o What did the ninja turtles say when handed the expression....?



HW = Packet p.19

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= practice with function notation  
and part of <sup>the</sup> limit definition  
problems we studied today