

# Math 1450 - Calculus 1

Mon, Sept. 22

## Announcements:

\* Exam grades are in, we'll send out solutions and you are more than welcome to ask about the exam in office hours!

\* Quiz 3 on Thursday / covers sugg. HW from 2.1, 2.2, 2.3

\* Homework 4 due Thurs,  
covers 2.1 and 2.2

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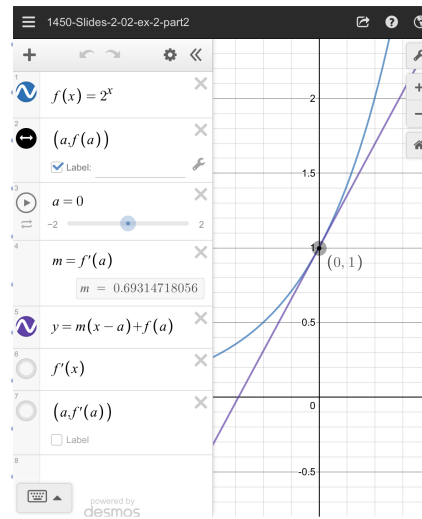
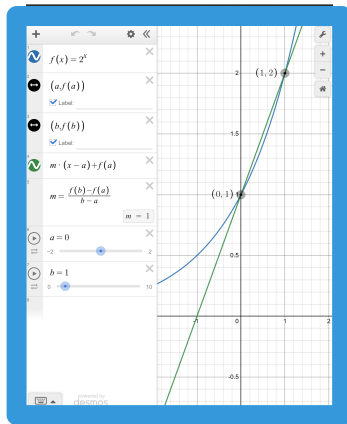
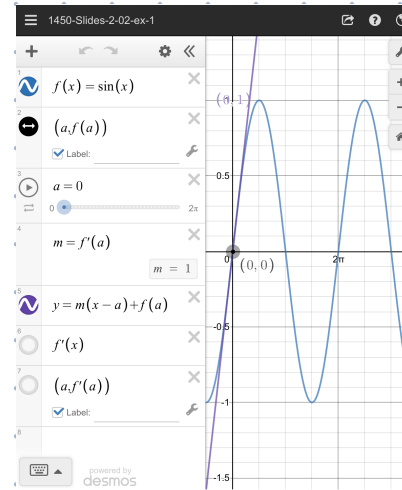
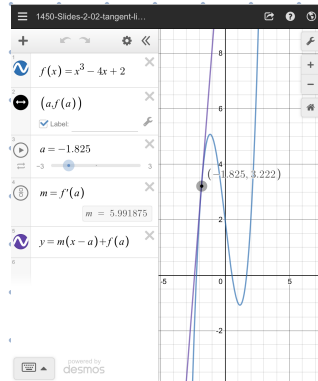
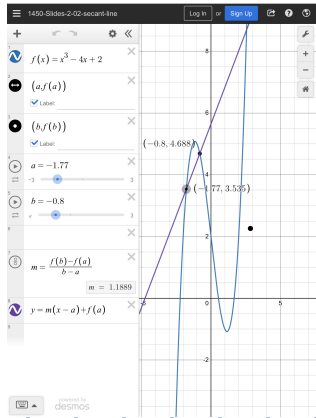
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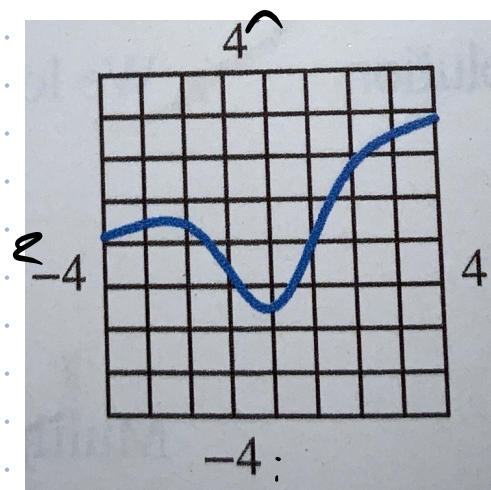
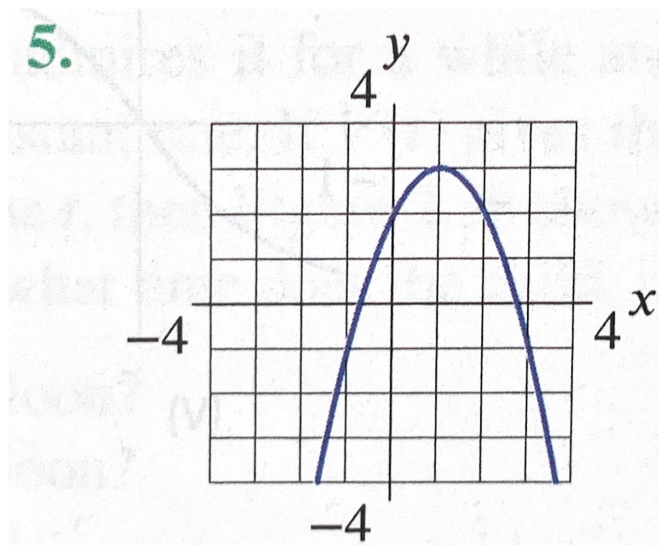
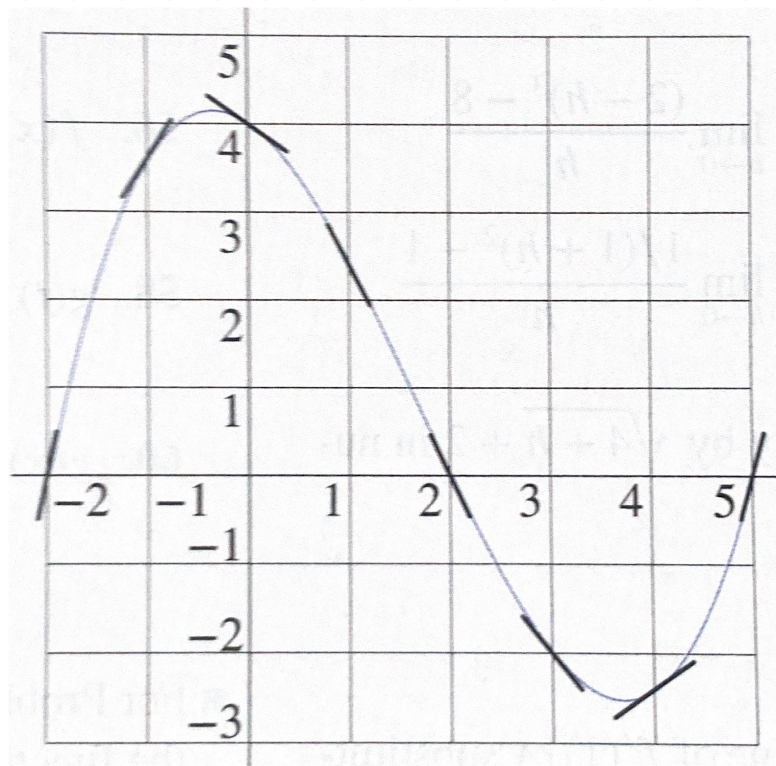
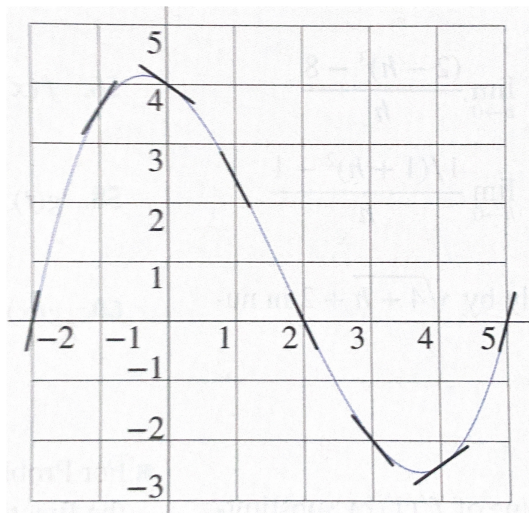
- 2.2: The Derivative at a Point
- 2.3: The Derivative Function

Office Hours  
Mondays, 12-1

Wednesdays, 2-3

+ Help Desk!  
12-1





## Summary:

[derivative of  $f(x)$  at  $x=a$ ]

= [instantaneous RoC of  $f(x)$  at  $x=a$ ]

=  $f'(a)$  "f-prime of a"

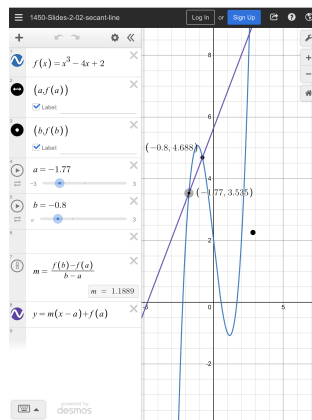
$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h}$$

# Slopes

If you draw a line between two points on a function  $(a, f(a))$  and  $(b, f(b))$ , then the slope of that line is:

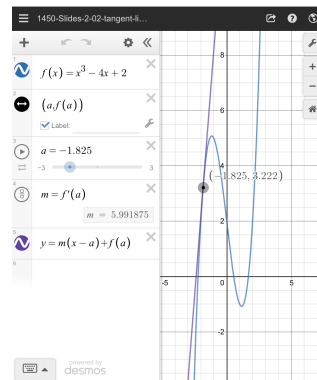
$$\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a} = \text{average RoC of } f(x) \text{ from } t=a \text{ to } t=b$$

"secant line"



The quantity  $f'(a)$  is the slope of the curve at  $x=a$ .

The tangent line of  $f(x)$  at the point  $x=a$  is the line with slope  $f'(a)$  that passes through the point  $(a, f(a))$ .



$f'(a) > 0$  means the function is increasing  
"going up" at the  $x$ -value  $a$

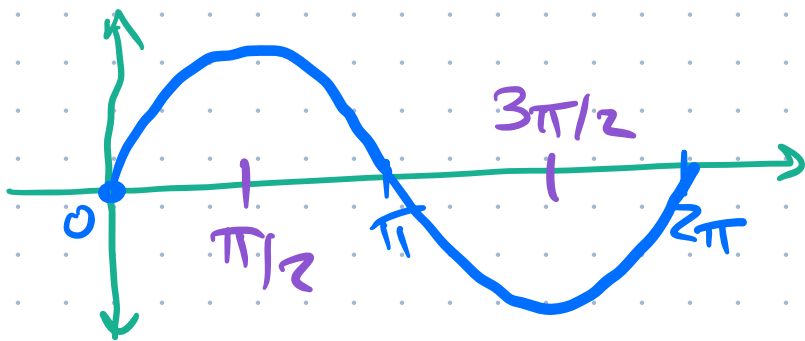
$f'(a) < 0 \Rightarrow$  decreasing at  $x = a$

$f'(a) = 0 \Rightarrow$  graph is flat at  $x = a$

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Ex: Let  $f(x) = \sin(x)$ .

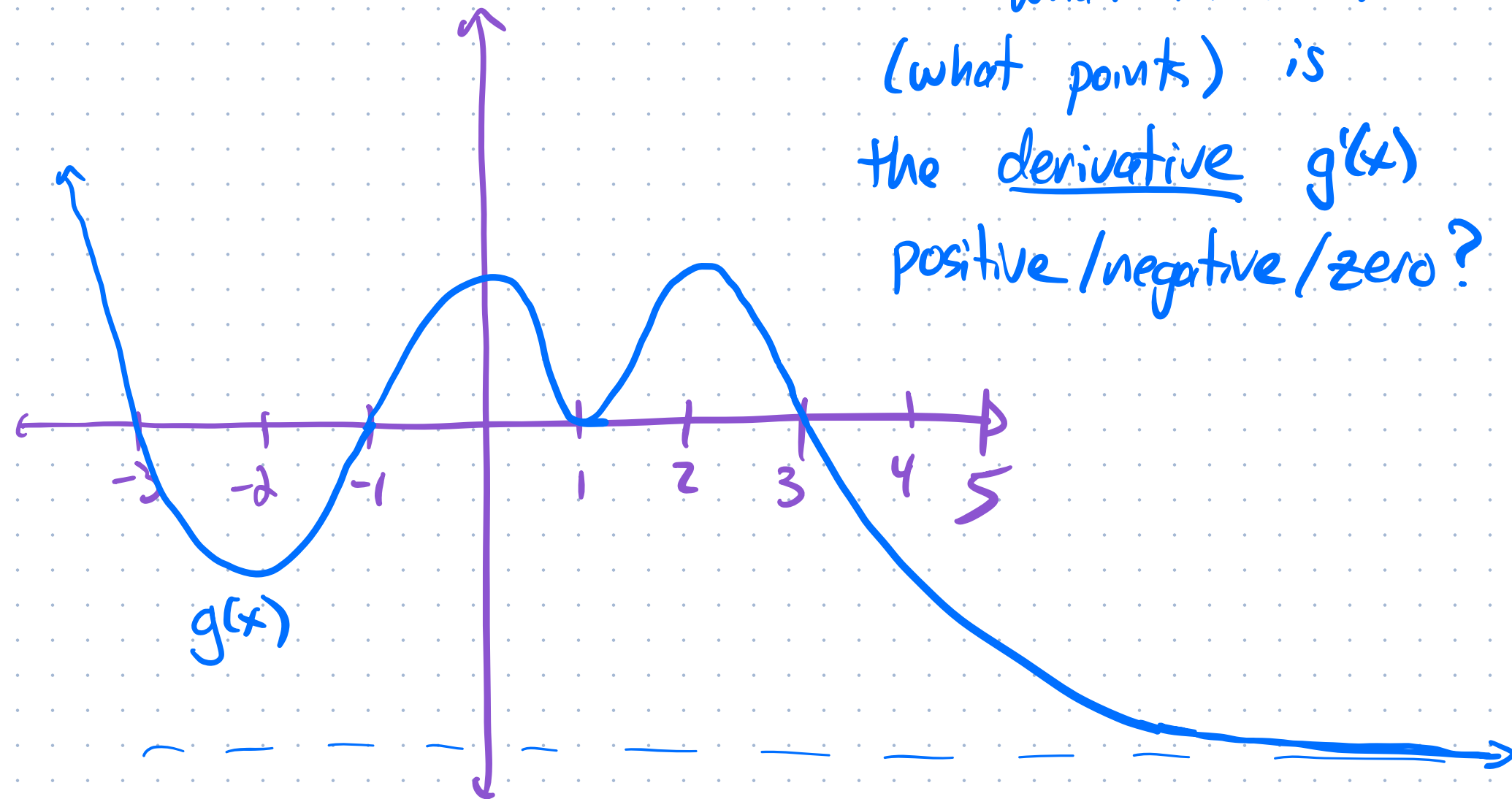
Is  $f'(\pi)$  positive, negative, or 0?



$f(\pi) = 0$   
 $f'(\pi)$  is negative

# Group Work

On what intervals  
(what points) is  
the derivative  $g'(x)$   
positive / negative / zero?



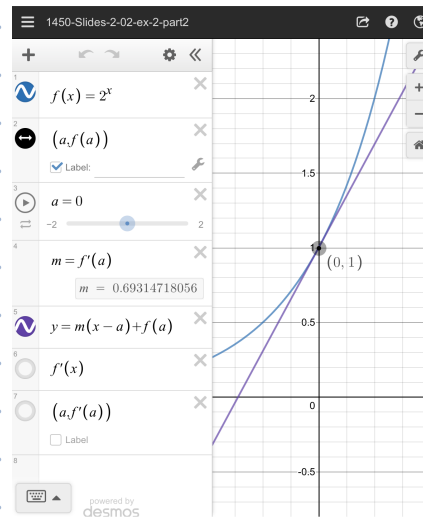
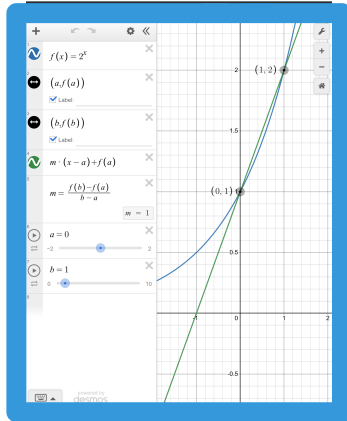
positive:  $(-2, 0), (1, 2)$

negative:  $(-\infty, -2), (0, 1), (2, \infty)$

zero: at  $-2$ , at  $0$   
at  $1$ , at  $2$



Ex: Estimate the derivative of  $f(x) = 2^x$  at  $x=0$  with a graph.



$\approx 0.693 \dots$

$\ln(2)$

Part 2: Find the equation for the tangent line of  $f(x) = 2^x$  at  $x=0$ .

$$f'(0) \approx 0.693$$

Formula for the line with slope  $m$  that passes through the point  $(c, d)$ :

$$y = m \cdot (x - c) + d$$

$$(0, f(0)) = (0, 1)$$

$$y = 0.693 \cdot (x - 0) + 1$$

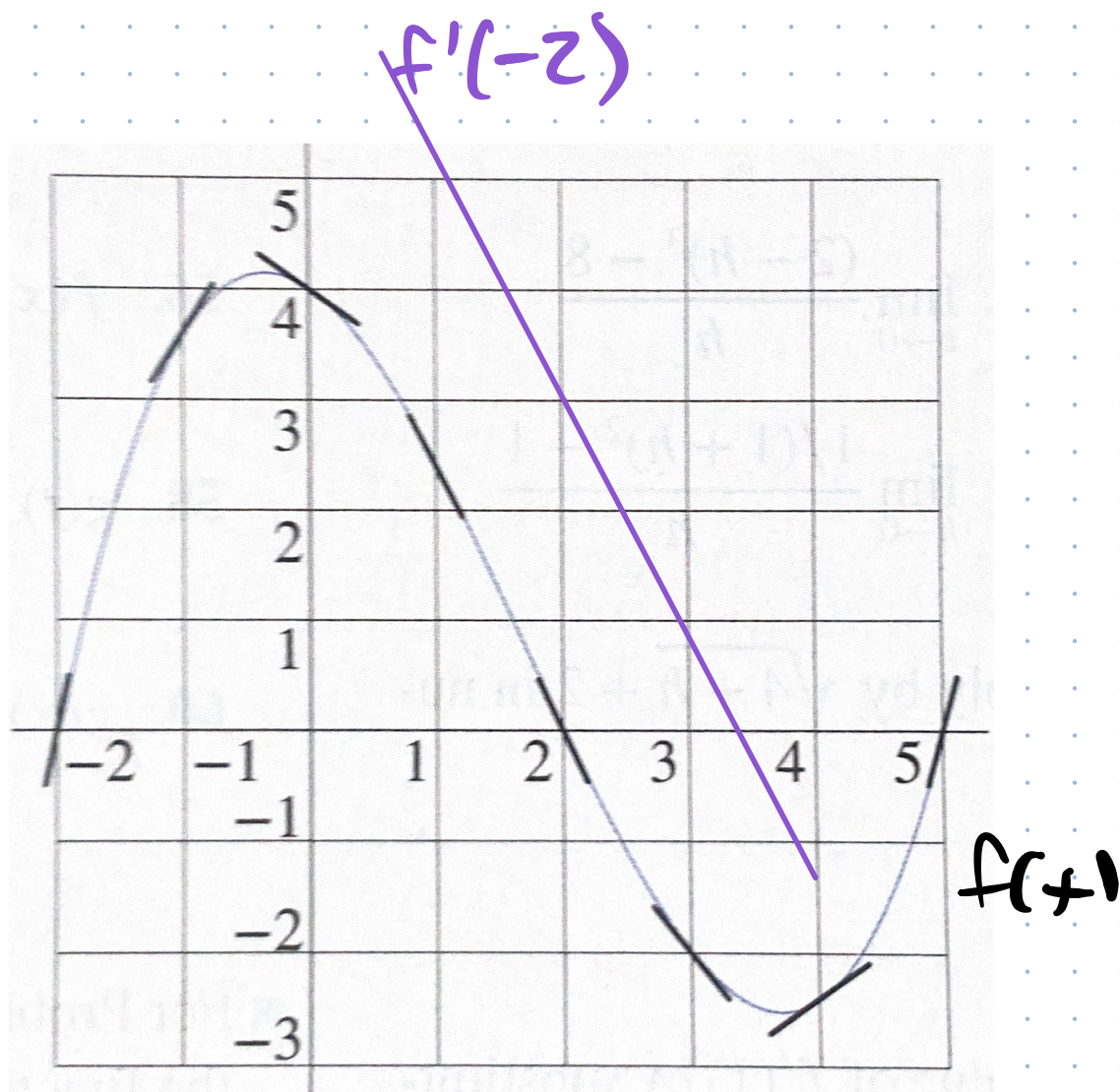
$$= 0.693x + 1$$

— equation of the T.L. at  $x=0$

## Section 2.3 - The derivative function

(Same idea as Section 2.2, in more detail)

Ex: Estimate  $f'(x)$  at  $x = -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$ .



$x$	$f(x)$	$f'(x)$
-2	0	5
-1	3.5	2
0	4	-0.8
1	2.5	-2.5
2	0	-2.5
3	-2	-1
4	-2.5	0.8
5	0	5