

Math 1450 - Calculus 1

Wed, Oct. 1

Announcements:

- * Homework 5 due Thursday night, covers 2.3, 2.4, 2.5, 2.6
- * Quiz 4 in discussion on Thursday, covers sugg. HW from last Fri, Mon, and today
- * Don't forget about the tutoring center!

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Today:

- 2.6: Differentiability
- 3.1: Powers and Polynomials

Office Hours

Mondays, 12-1

Wednesdays, 2-3

+ Help Desk!

12-1 on Wed

Section 2.6 - Differentiability

We say that a function $f(x)$ is differentiable at a point $x=a$ if:

* the derivative exists at $x=a$

or, rephrased

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

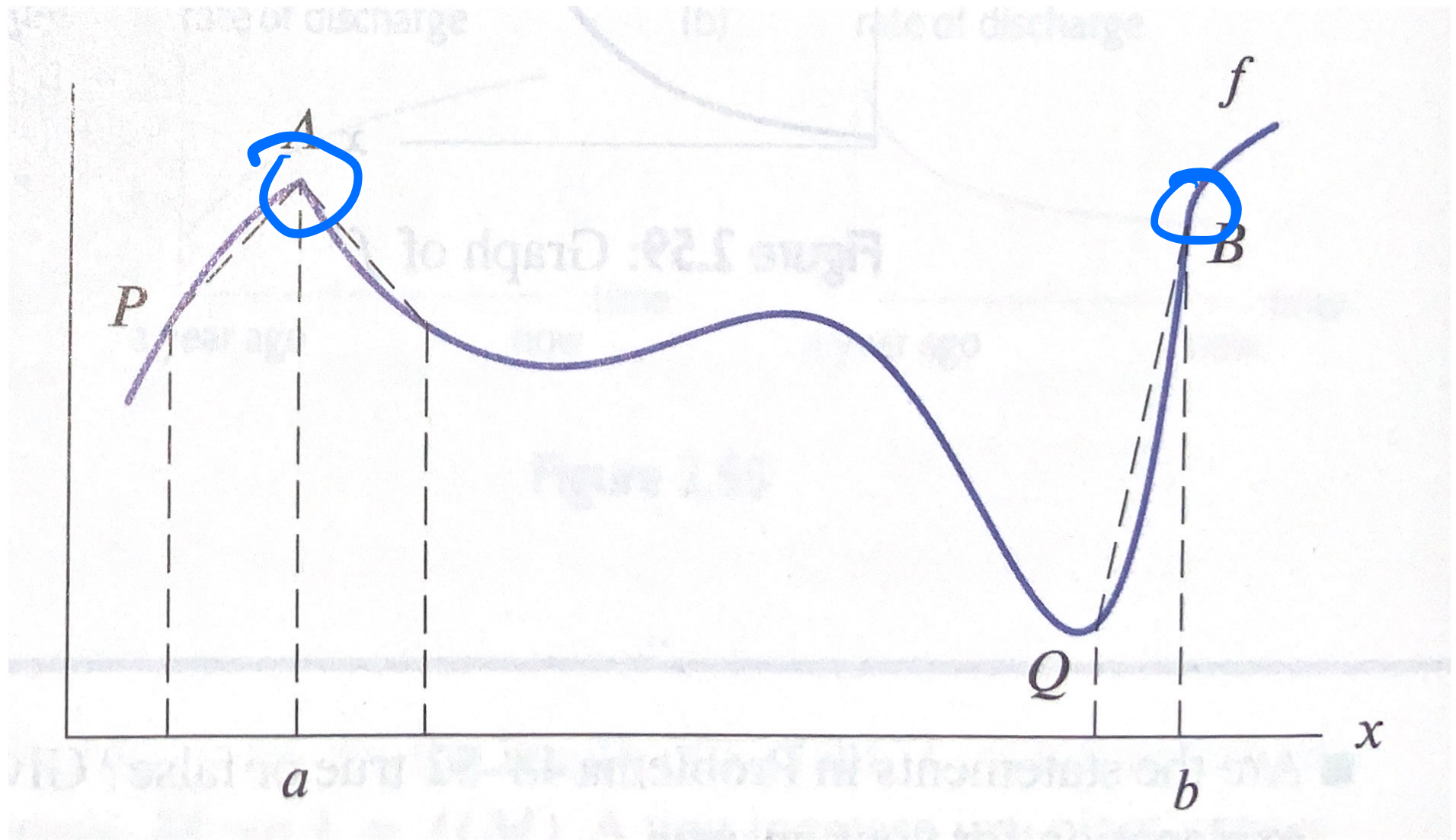
↳ the derivative at $x=a$

What could make a function NOT differentiable?

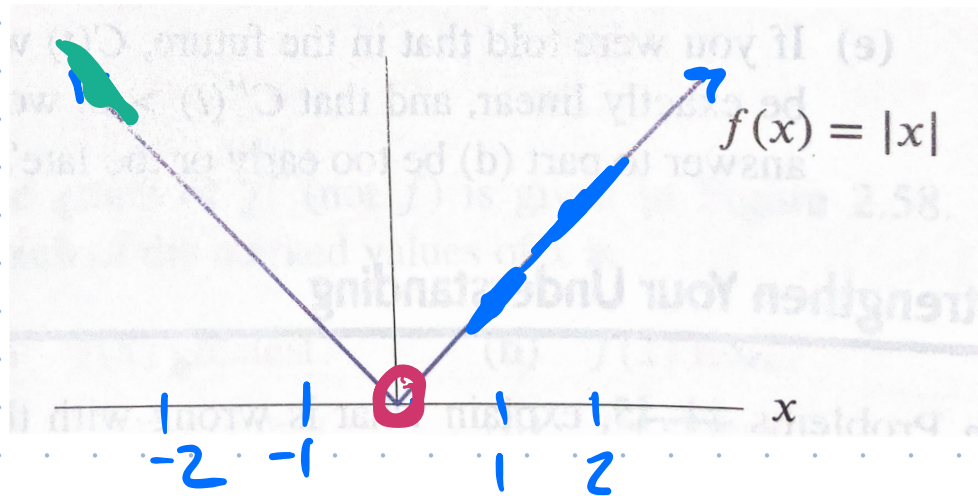
In other words, what could make $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h}$ not exist?

- 1) if $f(a)$ doesn't exist
 - 2) if f isn't continuous at $x=a$
(we'll justify this later)
 - 3) f has a sharp corner at $x=a$
(not smooth)
 - 4) f has a vertical tangent line at $x=a$
- $\frac{1}{x}$ is not diff. at $x=0$
- (not continuous) implies (not diff.)
- $f(x) = \sqrt[3]{x}$

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$$f(x) = |x| = \begin{cases} x, & \text{if } x \geq 0 \\ -x, & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$f'(3) = 1$$

$$f'(2) = 1$$

$$f'(1) = 1$$

$$f'(0.0001) = 1$$

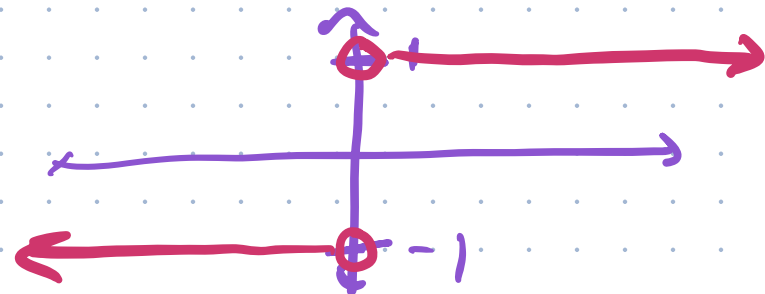
$$f'(-3) = -1$$

$$f'(-2) = -1$$

$$f'(-1) = -1$$

$$f'(-0.0001) = -1$$

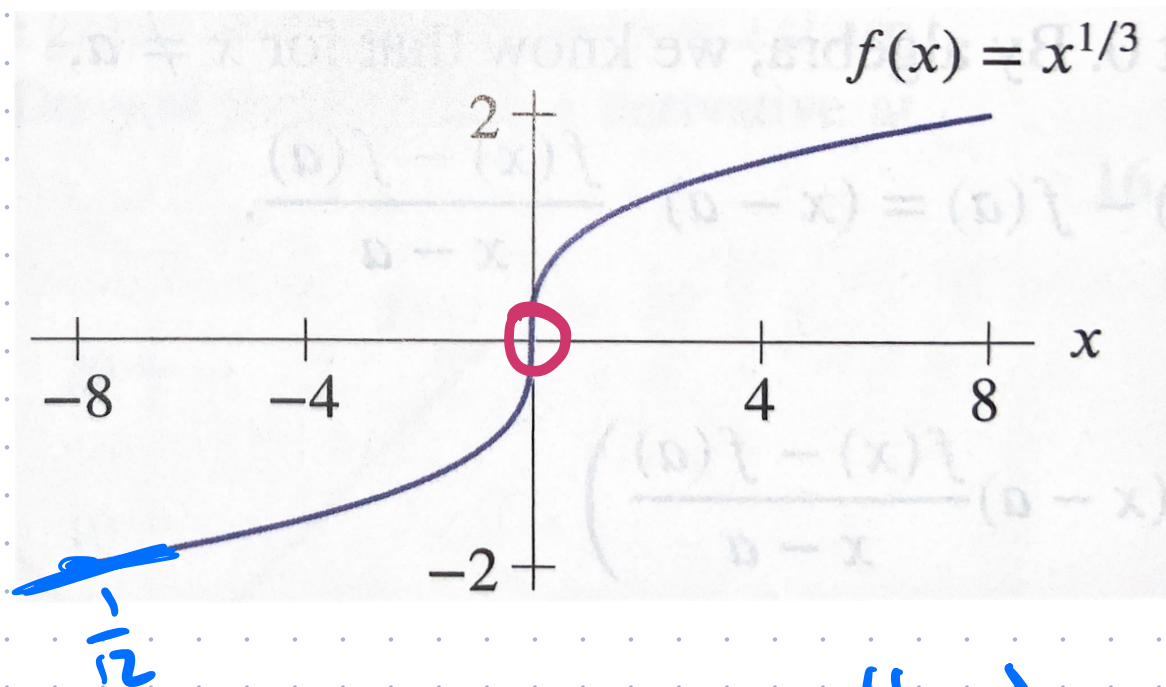
Graph of f' :



Ex:

$$f(x) = \sqrt[3]{x}$$

not diff. at $x=0$



Power rule in 3.1:

The derivative of x^a is $a \cdot x^{a-1}$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{3} \cdot x^{\left(\frac{1}{3}-1\right)} = \frac{1}{3} x^{-2/3} = \frac{1}{3 \cdot x^{2/3}}$$

$$f'(-8) = \frac{1}{3 \cdot (-8)^{2/3}} = \frac{1}{12}$$

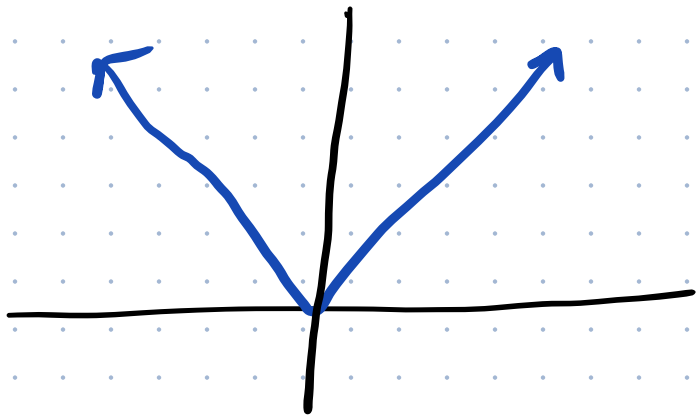
$$f'(0) = \frac{1}{3 \cdot 0^{2/3}} = \frac{1}{0} \text{ undefined}$$

Differentiability vs. Continuity $\text{diff} \Rightarrow \text{continuous}$

mathematical fact

Theorem: If $f(x)$ is differentiable at $x=a$
then $f(x)$ is continuous at $x=a$.

Not true in reverse!



Possible to be
continuous but not
diff'ble

~~continuous \Rightarrow diff~~

Proof in book! Simple arithmetic and use of
limit properties.

Suggested HW: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 11, 13

Section 3.1: Powers and Polynomials

3.1-3.5 are all about proving formulas for computing derivatives without limits

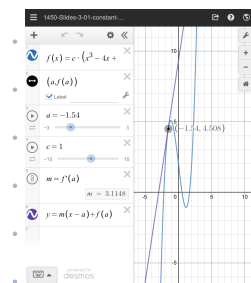
$$f(x) = x^2$$

$$f(x) = x^{100}$$

$$f'(x) = 100x^{99}$$

Topic 1: Constant Multiples

Let $f(x)$ be a function and $f'(x)$ its derivative. What is the derivative of $c \cdot f(x)$ if c is a constant?



Theorem 3.1: The derivative of $c \cdot f(x)$ is $c \cdot f'(x)$.

$\frac{dy}{dx}$

Other notations:

$$(c \cdot f(x))' = c \cdot f'(x)$$

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

↑
"take the derivative of"

Why is this true?

Let $f(x)$ be a function and let $g(x) = c \cdot f(x)$.

Goal: $g'(x) = c \cdot f'(x)$.

By the def. of a derivative

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

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[c \cdot \left(\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \right) \right]$$

$$= \left[\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} c \right] \cdot \left[\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \right]$$

$$= c \cdot f'(x)$$

property of
limits

Topic 2: Sums + Differences of Functions

Let $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ be two functions. What is the derivative of $f(x) + g(x)$?

Theorem 3.2: $\frac{d}{dx}(f(x) + g(x)) = f'(x) + g'(x)$

To find the deriv. of $f+g$, take the individual derivatives of f and g and add them together.

Differences: $\frac{d}{dx}(f(x) - g(x)) = f'(x) - g'(x)$

Warning

$$\frac{d}{dx} (f(x) \cdot g(x))$$

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$$f'(x) \cdot g'(x)$$

Topic 3: Power Rule

constant, any number

Theorem:

$$\frac{d}{dx} (x^n) = n \cdot x^{n-1}$$

variable

Ex: $(x^3)' = 3 \cdot x^{3-1} = 3x^2$

wrong

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \right) = \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{1}{x^{1/2}} \right) \neq \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2} x^{-1/2}} = 2 \cdot \sqrt{x}$$

$$= \frac{d}{dx} (x^{-1/2}) = \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right) \cdot x^{(-1/2)-1} = -\frac{1}{2} x^{-3/2} = -\frac{1}{2x^{3/2}}$$

Combining these: derivatives of polynomials

sums and diffs rule

$$\frac{d}{dx}(5x^2 + 3x + 2) \stackrel{\downarrow}{=} \underbrace{\frac{d}{dx}(5x^2)} + \underbrace{\frac{d}{dx}(3x)} + \underbrace{\frac{d}{dx}(2)}$$

$$= 5 \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(x^2) + 3 \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(x) + 0$$

$$= 5 \cdot (2x) + 3 \cdot (1)$$

$$= 10x + 3$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(x^1) = 1 \cdot x^0 = 1$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(5 \cdot \sqrt{x} - \frac{10}{x^2} + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \right)$$

$$= \frac{d}{dx} (5 \cdot \sqrt{x}) - \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{10}{x^2} \right) + \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \right)$$

$$= 5 \cdot \frac{d}{dx} (\sqrt{x}) - 10 \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{1}{x^2} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \right)$$

$$= 5 \cdot \frac{d}{dx} (x^{1/2}) - 10 \cdot \frac{d}{dx} (x^{-2}) + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{dx} (x^{-1/2})$$