

Math 102

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Announcements

- ▶ WeBWork Diagnostic Test (due Sunday) - you get 100% of points just for completing it.

Goals Today

- ▶ Average rates of change
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 - ▶ Graphically - secant lines
- ▶ Using a spreadsheet for computation
- ▶ Instantaneous rates of change (derivatives)
 - ▶ Computed from average rates of change using a limit
 - ▶ Computing the derivative
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- ▶ Example: if $P(t)$ is the **position of an object**, then the above formula gives the **average velocity** over a period of time.

Example - Average Velocity



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Jamaican sprinter Usain Bolt's split times in his world record run at the 2009 World Championships Men's 100m in Berlin.

Source: <https://biomech.byu.edu/Portals/82/docs/coaching/100m%20WR%20Split%20Analysis.xlsx>

Picture source: <https://sg.news.yahoo.com/world-record-bolt-triumphed-over-air-231023749.html>

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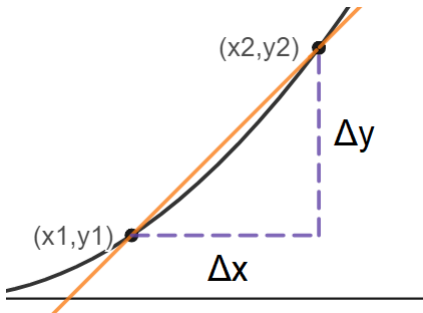
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Not enough information to calculate.

Graphically - Secant Lines

The **secant line** to a curve through two points P and Q is the line passing through those two points.



<https://www.desmos.com/calculator/0gbqldt1v>

Its **slope** is rise over run.

$$\text{Slope} = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

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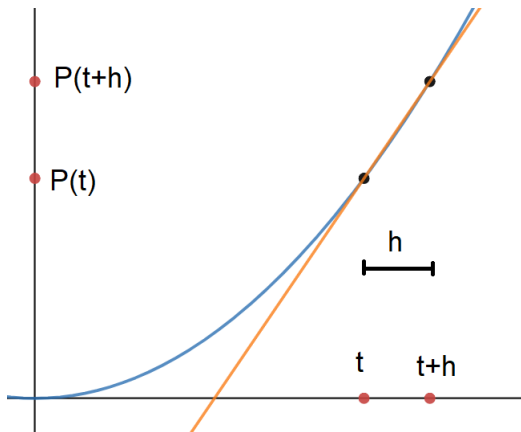
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$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} (10 + h) = 10$$

‘The limit as h goes to 0 of $10 + h$ equals 10.’

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- ▶ Graphically, this is represented as the **slope of the tangent line at $(x_0, f(x_0))$** .

Now you try!

- ▶ **Exercise:** Calculate the instantaneous rate of change of $f(x) = x^2$ at $x = 3$. **Do this using the definition as a limit.**
- ▶ **Further Exercise:** Try for $f(x) = x^3$.
- ▶ **Question:** If we let h be negative, how does the picture change?

The Derivative

Let $f(x)$ be a function. The **derivative of f** is a new function, written as f' , whose value at a point x_0 is given by

$f'(x_0)$ = Instantaneous rate of change of f at x_0

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x_0 + h) - f(x_0)}{h}$$

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