

# PRACTICE EXAM

## **BC.Q101.EXAMINATION – FORM A**

Ch 2.4, 3.1, 3.2: Derivative Foundation

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1[10]. Consider the function  $k(x) = \begin{cases} 2x+4; & x \leq 1 \\ x^2 - 4x + 9; & x > 1 \end{cases}$ .

Formally prove that  $k$  is or is not **continuous at  $x = 1$** .

$$i) k(1) = 2(1) + 4 = 6$$

$$ii) \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} k(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} x^2 - 4x + 9 = 6$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} k(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} 2x + 4 = 6$$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} k(x) = 6$$

$$iii) \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} k(x) = k(1)$$

$\therefore k$  is continuous at  $x = 1$

2[15]. Suppose  $f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x-3; & x \geq 1 \\ x^2-2; & x < 1 \end{cases}$ .

Formally prove that  $f(x)$  is or is not **differentiable at  $x = 1$** .

Does  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(1+h) - f(1)}{h}$  exist?

$$\begin{aligned} \square f'_+(1) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(1+h) - f(1)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{2(1+h) - 3 - [-1]}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{2h}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} 2 = 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \square f'_-(1) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{f(1+h) - f(1)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{(1+h)^2 - 2 - [-1]}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{1 + 2h + h^2 - 2 + 1}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} 2 + h = 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(1+h) - f(1)}{h} = 2 \text{ (i.e., it exists)}$$

so  $f$  is differentiable at  $x = 1$

3[5]. Consider the continuous and differentiable function  $f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x+4; & x \geq 1 \\ x^2+5; & x < 1 \end{cases}$ .

Find the **average rate of change** of  $f$  on  $[-2,3]$ . Show work.

$$\text{Ave rate } \Delta [-2, 3] = \frac{f(3) - f(-2)}{3 - (-2)} = \frac{[2(3) + 4] - [(-2)^2 + 5]}{5} = \frac{1}{5}$$

4[20]. Let  $g(x)$  be a smooth and continuous function that is not explicitly defined, but whose select values are shown in the table below. The domain for  $g(x)$  is  $[-4,6]$ .

$x$	-4	-3	-2	0	3	4	5	6
$g(x)$	2	5	0	-2	4	6	-12	-15
$g'(x)$	?	?	?	?	1.8	?	?	?

A. **Estimate**  $g'(-3)$ ,  $g'(4.5)$ . Show work.

$$\left. \begin{aligned} g'(-3) &\approx \frac{g(-2) - g(-4)}{-2 - (-4)} = \frac{0 - 2}{2} = -1 \\ g'(4.5) &\approx \frac{g(5) - g(4)}{5 - 4} = \frac{-12 - 6}{1} = -18 \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{average} \\ \text{on a} \\ \text{small} \\ \text{neighborhood} \end{array}$$

B. Write an equation of the line tangent to  $g(x)$  at  $x=3$ .

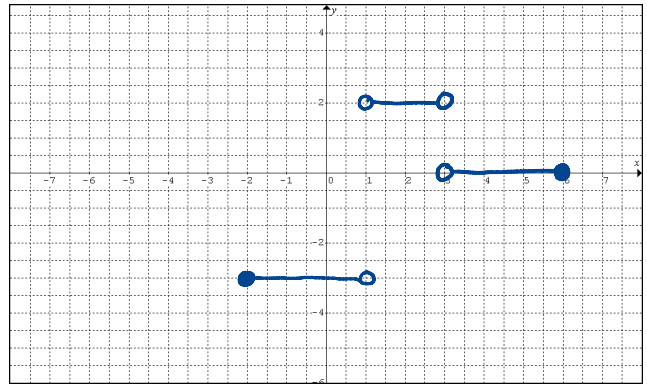
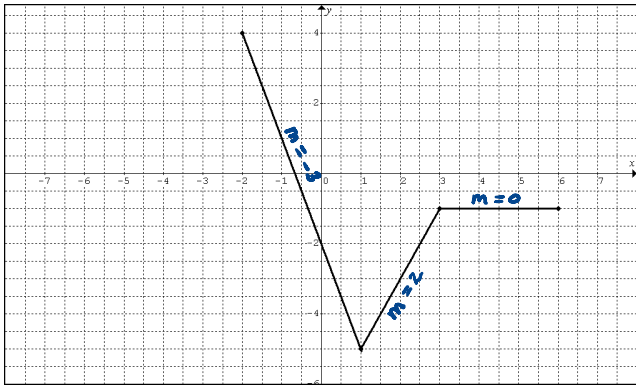
$$g'(3) = 1.8 \quad \text{Given} \quad g(3) = 4 \quad \text{given}$$

$$y - 4 = 1.8(x - 3)$$

C. Find the average rate of change in  $g$  on  $[-4,6]$ . Show work.

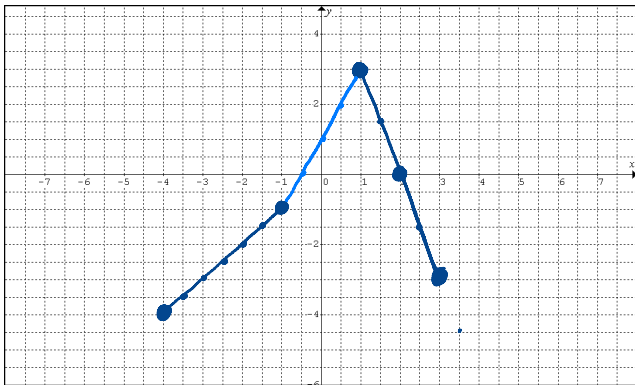
$$\text{Ave rate } \Delta [-4, 6] = \frac{g(6) - g(-4)}{6 - (-4)} = \frac{-15 - 2}{10} = \frac{-17}{10}$$

5[10]. The graph of  $f(x)$  is given below on the left. **Draw** the function  $f'(x)$ .

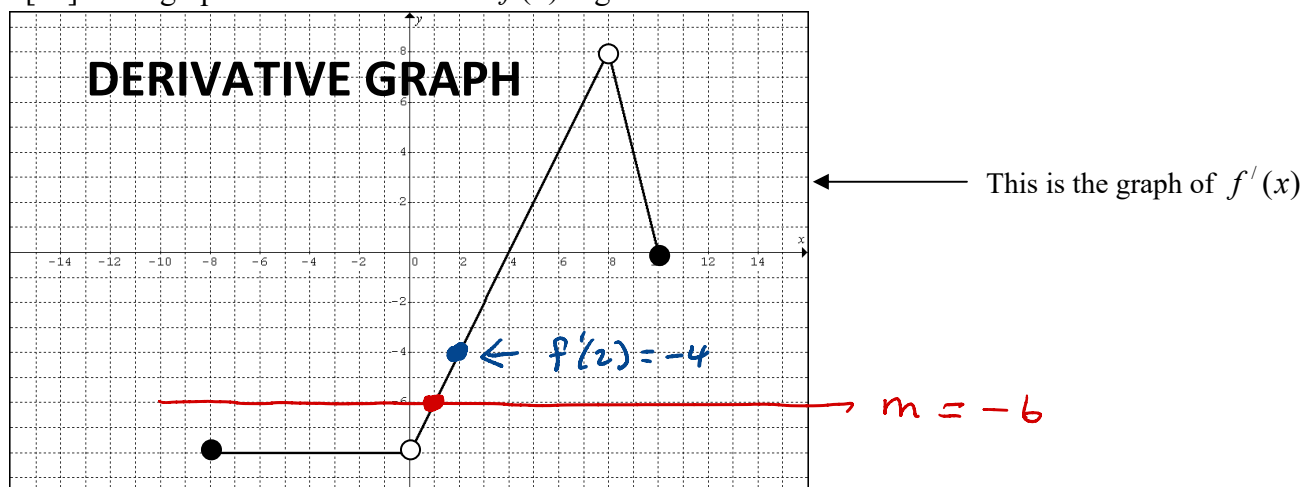


6[10]. **Draw** the function  $g(x)$  which is continuous for all points on its domain. The domain of  $g(x)$

is  $[-4, 3]$ ,  $g(2) = 0$  and  $g'(x) = \begin{cases} 1; & x < -1 \\ 2; & -1 < x < 1 \\ -3; & x > 1 \end{cases}$ .



7[10]. The graph of the *derivative* of  $f(x)$  is given below.



A. If  $f(2) = 3$ , write an equation of the tangent to the  $f$  at  $x = 2$

$$f'(2) = -4 \leftarrow \text{This is a point on } f'(x) \text{ graph}^h$$

$$\boxed{y - 3 = -4(x - 2)}$$

B. For what value(s) of  $x$  will  $f$  have a horizontal tangent?

where does  $f'(x) = 0$ ?

graph of  $f'(x) = 0$  at  $x = 4$ ,  $x = 10$

C. For what value(s) of  $x$  will  $f$  have a tangent line parallel to  $y = -6x - 15$   $\rightarrow m = -6$

where does  $f'(x) = -6$

This happens at  $x = 1$

8[15]. Let  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x+1}$ .

A. Use the **definition for the derivative** at  $x = a$  to find  $f'(2)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} f'(2) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(2+h) - f(2)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{2+h+1} - \frac{1}{3}}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{3}{3(3+h)} - \frac{(3+h)}{3(3+h)}}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-h}{3(3+h)} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-1}{3(3+h)} = -\frac{1}{9} \end{aligned}$$

[OR]

$$\begin{aligned} f'(2) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{f(x) - f(2)}{x-2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{\frac{1}{x+1} - \frac{1}{3}}{x-2} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{\frac{3}{3(x+1)} - \frac{x+1}{3(x+1)}}{x-2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{\frac{2-x}{3(x+1)}}{x-2} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{-1}{3(x+1)} = -\frac{1}{9} \end{aligned}$$

B. Write an **equation** for the line **tangent** to  $f(x)$  at  $x = 2$ .

$$f(2) = \frac{1}{3} \quad f'(2) = -\frac{1}{9}$$

$$\boxed{y - \frac{1}{3} = -\frac{1}{9}(x - 2)}$$

9[5]. Suppose that  $f$  has the property  $f(x+y) = f(x)f(y)$  for all values of  $x$  and  $y$  and that  $f(0) = f'(0) = 1$ . Show that  $f$  is differentiable and  $f'(x) = f(x)$ .

To show  $f$  is differentiable, we must show that  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$  exists for all  $x$ .

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

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} f(x) \cdot \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(h) - 1}{h}$$

we know  
this exists

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

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(h) - 1}{h}$$

$$= 1 \text{ (Given)}$$

$$= f(x) \cdot f'(0) \quad \left. \vphantom{f(x) \cdot f'(0)} \right\} \text{ exists } \therefore \text{ differentiable}$$

$$= f(x) \cdot 1$$

$$= f(x) \quad \text{Q.E.D.}$$