

**MATH 101**  
**HOMEWORK 2 SOLUTIONS**

**p157 Ex-4.** Find  $f'(x)$  using the definition of derivative and then evaluate  $f'(-3)$ , where  $f(x) = x + 9/x$ .

**Solution:**

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{[(x+h) + 9/(x+h)] - [x + 9/x]}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 + xh - 9}{x(x+h)} = 1 - 9/x^2, \text{ so } f'(-3) = 0.$$


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**p157 Ex-7** Find the first and second derivatives of  $y = x^2 + x + 8$ .

**Solution:**

$$y' = 2x + 1, y'' = 2.$$


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**p157 Ex-8** Find the first and second derivatives of  $s = 5t^3 - 3t^5$ .

**Solution:**

$$s' = 15t^2 - 15t^4, s'' = 30t - 60t^3.$$


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**p157 Ex-9** Find the first and second derivatives of  $y = \frac{4x^3}{3} - 4$ .

**Solution:**

$$y' = 4x^2, y'' = 8x.$$


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**p157 Ex-10** Find the first and second derivatives of  $y = \frac{x^3 + 7}{x}$ .

**Solution:**

$$y' = \frac{(3x^2)(x) - (x^3 + 7)(1)}{x^2} = \frac{2x^3 - 7}{x^2} = 2x - \frac{7}{x^2}, y'' = 2 + \frac{14}{x^3}.$$


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**p169 Ex-1**  $s = t^2 - 3t + 2, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 2.$

**Solution:**

(a) Displacement=  $\Delta s = s(2) - s(0) = -2m.$   $v_{av} = \frac{\Delta s}{\Delta t} = \frac{-2m}{2sec} = -1m/sec.$

(b)  $v = s' = 2t - 3,$  speed at the end points  $|v(0)| = 3m/sec, |v(2)| = 1m/sec.$  Acceleration  $a = v' = 2m/sec^2,$  acceleration at the end points  $a(0) = 2m/sec^2, a(2) = 2m/sec^2.$

(c) The body changes direction when  $v$  changes direction. For this first  $v$  must be zero.  $v = 2t - 3 = 0$  when  $t = 3/2sec.$  For  $0 \leq t \leq 3/2, v$  is negative and for  $3/2 \leq t \leq 2 v$  is positive. So the body changes direction when  $t = 3/2sec.$

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**p169 Ex-2**  $s = 6t - t^2, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 6.$

**Solution:**

(a) Displacement=  $\Delta s = s(6) - s(0) = 0.$   $v_{av} = \frac{\Delta s}{\Delta t} = \frac{0}{6sec} = 0m/sec.$

(b)  $v = s' = 6 - 2t,$  speed at the end points  $|v(0)| = 6m/sec, |v(6)| = 6m/sec.$  Acceleration  $a = v' = -2m/sec^2,$  acceleration at the end points  $a(0) = -2m/sec^2, a(6) = -2m/sec^2.$

(c) The body changes direction when  $v$  changes direction. For this first  $v$  must be zero.  $v = 6 - 2t = 0$  when  $t = 3sec.$  For  $0 \leq t \leq 3, v$  is positive and for  $3 \leq t \leq 6 v$  is negative. So the body changes direction when  $t = 3sec.$

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**p169 Ex-3**  $s = -t^3 + 3t^2 - 3t, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 3.$

**Solution:**

(a) Displacement=  $\Delta s = s(3) - s(0) = -9m.$   $v_{av} = \frac{\Delta s}{\Delta t} = \frac{-9m}{3sec} = -3m/sec.$

(b)  $v = s' = -3t^2 + 6t - 3,$  speed at the end points  $|v(0)| = 3m/sec, |v(3)| = 12m/sec.$  Acceleration  $a = v' = -6t + 6,$  acceleration at the end points  $a(0) = 6m/sec^2, a(3) = -12m/sec^2.$

(c) The body changes direction when  $v$  changes direction. For this first  $v$  must be zero.  $v = -3t^2 + 6t - 3 = -3(t - 1)^2 = 0$  when  $t = 1sec.$  For all other values of  $t$  the velocity is negative, so the body never changes direction.

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**p169 Ex-7** The equations for free fall at the surfaces of Mars is  $s = 1.86t^2$ , and on the surface of Jupiter is  $s = 11.44t^2$ . Here  $s$  is in meters and  $t$  is in seconds. How long does it take a rock falling from rest to reach a velocity of  $27.8m/sec$  on each planet?

**Solution:**

On Mars  $s = 1.86t^2$ ,  $v = 3.72t$ . Solving  $3.72t = 27.8$  gives  $t = 7.4sec$ .

On Jupiter  $s = 11.44t^2$ ,  $v = 22.88t$ . Solving  $22.88t = 27.8$  gives  $t = 1.2sec$ .

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**p169 Ex-9** On an airless planet a ball is shot upwards with an initial velocity of  $15m/sec$ . The ball reached its maximum height  $20sec$  after launch. The ball's motion is governed by the formula  $s = 15t - (1/2)g_s t^2$  where  $g_s$  is the acceleration of gravity. What is the value of  $g_s$  on this planet?

**Solution:**

$s = 15t - (1/2)g_s t^2$ ,  $v = 15 - g_s t$ . When the maximum height is reached the velocity is zero. Solving  $v = 15 - g_s t = 0$  we get  $t = 15/g_s$ . Therefore  $15/g_s = 20$  gives  $g_s = (3/4)m/sec^2$ .

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