

28. Differentiate the function.

$$k(r) = e^r + r^e$$

**Sol.**

$$k'(r) = (e^r + r^e)' = (e^r)' + (r^e)' = e^r + er^{e-1}$$

32. Differentiate the function.

$$f(v) = \frac{\sqrt[3]{v} - 2ve^v}{v}$$

**Sol.**

$$\text{Note that } f(v) = \frac{\sqrt[3]{v} - 2ve^v}{v} = \frac{\sqrt[3]{v}}{v} - \frac{2ve^v}{v} = v^{-2/3} - 2e^v.$$

$$\text{So } f'(v) = -\frac{2}{3}v^{-5/3} - 2e^v$$

37. Find an equation of the tangent line to the curve at the given point.

$$y = 2x^3 - x^2 + 2, \quad (1, 3)$$

**Sol.**

$$y = 2x^3 - x^2 + 2 \Rightarrow y' = 6x^2 - 2x.$$

At  $(1, 3)$ ,  $y' = 6(1)^2 - 2(1) = 4$  and the equation of the tangent line is

$$y - 3 = 4(x - 1) \text{ or } y = 4x - 1.$$

38. Find an equation of the tangent line to the curve at the given point.

$$y = 2e^x + x, \quad (0, 2)$$

**Sol.**

$$y = 2e^x + x \Rightarrow y' = 2e^x + 1.$$

At  $(0, 2)$ ,  $y' = 2e^0 + 1 = 3$  and the equation of the tangent line is

$$y - 2 = 3(x - 0) \text{ or } y = 3x + 2.$$

39. Find an equation of the tangent line to the curve at the given point.

$$y = x + \frac{2}{x}, \quad (2, 3)$$

**Sol.**

$$y = x + \frac{2}{x} = x + 2x^{-1} \Rightarrow y' = 1 - 2x^{-2}.$$

At  $(2, 3)$ ,  $y' = 1 - 2(2)^{-2} = \frac{1}{2}$  and the equation of the tangent line is

$$y - 3 = \frac{1}{2}(x - 2) \text{ or } y = \frac{1}{2}x + 2.$$

40. Find an equation of the tangent line to the curve at the given point.

$$y = \sqrt[4]{x} - x, \quad (1, 0)$$

**Sol.**

$$y = \sqrt[4]{x} - x = x^{1/4} - x \Rightarrow y' = \frac{1}{4}x^{-3/4} - 1.$$

At  $(1, 0)$ ,  $y' = \frac{1}{4}(1)^{-3/4} - 1 = -\frac{3}{4}$  and the equation of the tangent line is

$$y - 0 = -\frac{3}{4}(x - 1) \text{ or } y = -\frac{3}{4}x + \frac{3}{4}.$$

68. (a) Find equations of both lines through the point  $(2, -3)$  that are tangent to the parabola  $y = x^2 + x$ .  
 (b) Show that there is no line through the point  $(2, 7)$  that is tangent to the parabola. Then draw a diagram to see why.

**Sol.**

(a)

If  $y = x^2 + x$ , then  $y' = 2x + 1$ . If the point at which a tangent meets the parabola is  $(a, a^2 + a)$ , then the slope of the tangent is  $2a + 1$ .

But since it passes through  $(2, -3)$ , the slope must also be  $\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = \frac{a^2 + a + 3}{a - 2}$ .

Therefore  $2a + 1 = \frac{a^2 + a + 3}{a - 2}$ . Solving this equation for  $a$  we get  $a^2 + a + 3 = 2a^2 - 3a - 2 \iff a^2 - 4a - 5 = (a - 5)(a + 1) = 0 \iff a = 5$  or  $-1$ .

If  $a = 5$ , the point is  $(5, 30)$  and the slope is 11, so the equation is  $y - 30 = 11(x - 5)$  or  $y = 11x - 25$ . If  $a = -1$ , the point is  $(-1, 0)$  and the slope is  $-1$ , so the equation is  $y - 0 = -1(x + 1)$  or  $y = -x - 1$ .

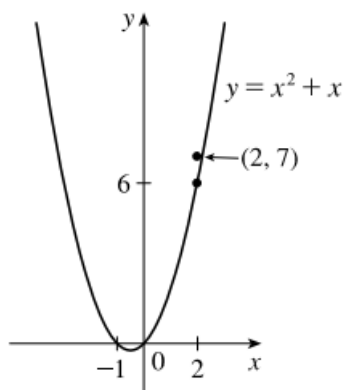
(b)

As in part (a), but using the point  $(2, 7)$  we get the equation

$$2a + 1 = \frac{a^2 + a + 7}{a - 2} \Rightarrow 2a^2 - 3a - 2 = a^2 + a - 7 \iff a^2 - 4a + 5 = 0.$$

The last equation has no real solution, so there is no line through the point  $(2, 7)$  that is tangent to the parabola.

The diagram shows that the point  $(2, 7)$  is "inside" the parabola, but tangent lines to the parabola do not pass through points inside the parabola.



80. Suppose the curve  $y = x^4 + ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d$  has a tangent line when  $x = 0$  with equation  $y = 2x + 1$  and a tangent line when  $x = 1$  with equation  $y = 2 - 3x$ . Find the values of  $a, b, c$ , and  $d$ .

**Sol.**

$y = x^4 + ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d \Rightarrow y(0) = d$ . Since the tangent line  $y = 2x + 1$  is equal to 1 at  $x = 0$ , we must have  $d = 1$ .

$y' = 4x^3 + 3ax^2 + 2bx + c \Rightarrow y'(0) = c$ . Since the slope of the tangent line at  $x = 0$  is 2, we must have  $c = 2$ .

Now  $y(1) = 1 + a + b + c + d = a + b + 4$  and the tangent line  $y = 2 - 3x$  at  $x = 1$  has  $y$  value of -1, we have  $a + b + 4 = -1$ . (1)

Also,  $y'(1) = 4 + 3a + 2b + c = 3a + 2b + 6$  and the slope of the tangent line at  $x = 1$  is -3, we have  $3a + 2b + 6 = -3$ . (2)

Combining (1) and (2), we may solve for  $a$  and  $b$  and get  $a = 1$  and  $b = -6$ .

Therefore the curve has equation  $y = x^4 + x^3 - 6x^2 + 2x + 1$

86. Find numbers  $a$  and  $b$  such that the given function  $g$  is differentiable at 1.

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} ax^3 - 3x & \text{if } x \leq 1 \\ bx^2 + 2 & \text{if } x > 1 \end{cases}$$

**Sol.**

For  $x < 1$ ,  $g(x) = ax^3 - 3x \Rightarrow g'(x) = 3ax^2 - 3$ . So  $g'_-(1) = 3a - 3$ .

For  $x > 1$ ,  $g(x) = bx^2 + 2 \Rightarrow g'(x) = 2bx$ . So  $g'_+(1) = 2b$ .

For  $g$  to be differentiable at  $x = 1$ , we need  $g'_-(1) = g'_+(1)$ , so  $3a - 3 = 2b$ .

For  $g$  to be continuous (remember that differentiability implies continuity), we need  $g_-(1) = a - 3 = b + 2 = g_+(1)$ .

Solving the two equations we obtain  $a = -7$  and  $b = -12$ .