

1. For each function f and each x_0 that is given below, determine the difference quotient $\frac{1}{h}\Delta_{x_0}f(h)$ for each real number h .

a) $f(x) = -2x^2 + x + 3, x_0 = 2$

$$\Delta_2 f(h) = f(2+h) - f(2)$$

$$= -2(2+h)^2 + (2+h) + 3 - 3$$

$$= -2(4+4h+h^2) + (2+h) + 6$$

$$= -8 - 8h - 2h^2 + 2 + h + 6$$

$$= -7h - 2h^2$$

$$= h(-7-2h)$$

So

$$\frac{1}{h}\Delta_2 f(h) = \frac{1}{h} \cdot h(-7-2h)$$

$$= -7-2h.$$

b) $f(x) = \frac{x^2-3}{x}, x_0 = 5$

$$\Delta_5 f(h) = f(5+h) - f(5)$$

$$= \frac{(5+h)^2-3}{5+h} - \frac{22}{5}$$

$$= \frac{25+10h+h^2-3}{5+h} - \frac{22}{5}$$

$$= \frac{22+10h+h^2}{5+h} - \frac{22}{5}$$

$$= \frac{5(22+10h+h^2) - 22(5+h)}{5(5+h)}$$

$$= \frac{28h+5h^2}{5(5+h)}$$

$$= h \cdot \frac{(28+5h)}{5(5+h)}$$

So

$$\frac{1}{h}\Delta_5 f(h) = \frac{1}{h} \cdot h \cdot \frac{(28+5h)}{5(5+h)} = \frac{28+5h}{5(5+h)}$$

c) $f(x) = 3\cos(x), x_0 = \frac{\pi}{4}$

$$\Delta_{\frac{\pi}{4}} f(h) = f\left(\frac{\pi}{4}+h\right) - f\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

$$= 3\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}+h\right) - 3\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

$$= 3\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)\cos(h) - 3\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)\sin(h) - 3\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

$$= \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}\cos(h) - \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}\sin(h) - \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$= -\frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}(1-\cos(h)) - \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}\sin(h)$$

So

$$\frac{1}{h}\Delta_{\frac{\pi}{4}} f(h) = \frac{-3\sqrt{2}}{2} \frac{(1-\cos(h))}{h} - \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2} \frac{\sin(h)}{h}$$

d) $f(x) = \sqrt{x}, x_0 = 9$

$$\Delta_9 f(h) = f(9+h) - f(9)$$

$$= \sqrt{9+h} - \sqrt{9}$$

$$= \sqrt{9+h} - 3$$

$$= (\sqrt{9+h} - 3) \cdot \frac{\sqrt{9+h} + 3}{\sqrt{9+h} + 3}$$

$$= \frac{9+h-9}{\sqrt{9+h}+3}$$

$$= \frac{h}{\sqrt{9+h}+3}$$

So

$$\frac{1}{h}\Delta_9 f(h) = \frac{1}{h} \cdot \frac{h}{\sqrt{9+h}+3}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{9+h}+3}.$$

e) $f(x) = \exp(x), x_0 = 1$

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta_1 f(h) &= f(1+h) - f(1) \\ &= \exp(1+h) - \exp(1) \\ &= e^{1+h} - e \\ &= e(e^h - 1)\end{aligned}$$

So

$$\frac{1}{h} \Delta_1 f(h) = e \frac{(e^h - 1)}{h}$$

f) $f(x) = 4, x_0 = 1$

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta_1 f(h) &= f(1+h) - f(1) \\ &= 4 - 4 \\ &= 0.\end{aligned}$$

So

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{h} \Delta_1 f(h) &= \frac{1}{h} \cdot 0 \\ &= 0.\end{aligned}$$

2. For each function f and x_0 given below, set up a limit to determine $f'(x_0)$.

a) $f(x) = -2x^2 + x + 3, x_0 = 2$

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \Delta_2 f(h) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} (-7 - 2h) \\ &= -7,\end{aligned}$$

so $f'(2) = -7.$

b) $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 3}{x}, x_0 = 5$

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \Delta_5 f(h) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{28 + 5h}{5(5+h)} \\ &= \frac{28}{25},\end{aligned}$$

so $f'(5) = \frac{28}{25}.$

c) $f(x) = 3 \cos(x), x_0 = \frac{\pi}{4}$

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \Delta_{\frac{\pi}{4}} f(h) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-3\sqrt{2}}{2} \frac{(1 - \cos(h))}{h} - \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2} \frac{\sin(h)}{h} \\ &= 0 - \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2} \cdot 1 \\ &= -\frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2},\end{aligned}$$

So $f'(\frac{\pi}{4}) = -\frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}$.

d) $f(x) = \sqrt{x}, x_0 = 9$

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \Delta_9 f(h) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{9+h} + 3} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{9} + 3} \\ &= \frac{1}{6},\end{aligned}$$

So $f'(9) = \frac{1}{6}$.

e) $f(x) = \exp(x), x_0 = 1$

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \Delta_1 f(h) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} e \frac{(e^h - 1)}{h} \\ &= e \cdot 1 \quad \leftarrow \text{since } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - 1}{x} = 1 \\ &= e,\end{aligned}$$

So $f'(1) = e$.

f) $f(x) = 4, x_0 = 1$

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \Delta_1 f(h) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 0 \\ &= 0,\end{aligned}$$

So $f'(1) = 0$.

3. For each function f that is given below, use limits to calculate $f'(x)$ for every x where this limit exists.

a) $f(x) = 4$

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta_x f(h) &= f(x+h) - f(x) \\ &= 4 - 4 \\ &= 0\end{aligned}$$

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

$$\text{So } f'(x) = 0.$$

c) $f(x) = -2x^2 + x + 3$

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta_x f(h) &= -2(x+h)^2 + (x+h) + 3 + 2x^2 - x - 3 \\ &= -2x^2 - 4xh - 2h^2 + x + h + 3 + 2x^2 - x - 3 \\ &= -4xh + h - 2h^2 \\ &= h(-4x + 1 - 2h),\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} h(-4x + 1 - 2h) \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} (-4x + 1 - 2h) \\ &= -4x + 1.\end{aligned}$$

b) $f(x) = 5x$

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta_x f(h) &= f(x+h) - f(x) \\ &= 5(x+h) - 5x \\ &= 5x + 5h - 5x \\ &= 5h,\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \Delta_x f(h) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \cdot 5h = 5.$$

d) $f(x) = \frac{x^2-3}{x}$

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta_x f(h) &= \frac{(x+h)^2-3}{x+h} - \frac{x^2-3}{x} \\ &= \frac{x^2+2xh+h^2-3}{x+h} - \frac{x^2-3}{x} \\ &= \frac{x(x^2+2xh+h^2-3) - (x+h)(x^2-3)}{x(x+h)} \\ &= \frac{x^3+2x^2h+xh^2-3x - x^3+3x-x^2h+3h}{x(x+h)} \\ &= \frac{x^2h+xh^2+3h}{x(x+h)} \\ &= \frac{h(x^2+xh+3)}{x(x+h)}\end{aligned}$$

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \frac{h(x^2+xh+3)}{x(x+h)} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2+xh+3}{x(x+h)} = \frac{x^2+3}{x^2} \quad x \neq 0$$

e) $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta_x f(h) &= \sqrt{x+h} - \sqrt{x} \\ &= (\sqrt{x+h} - \sqrt{x}) \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x}} \\ &= \frac{x+h-x}{\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x}} \\ &= \frac{h}{\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x}}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \cdot \frac{h}{\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x}} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x}} \\ &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}.\end{aligned}$$

4. Take f to be the function that is given by

$$f(x) = \cos(5x^2 + 1).$$

Show that f is differentiable for each x in \mathbb{R} and determine $f'(x)$.

$$\Delta_x f(h) = f(x+h) - f(x)$$

$$= \cos(5(x+h)^2 + 1) - \cos(5x^2 + 1)$$

$$= \cos(5x^2 + 1 + 10xh + 5h^2) - \cos(5x^2 + 1)$$

$$= \cos(5x^2 + 1) \cos(10xh + 5h^2) - \sin(5x^2 + 1) \sin(10xh + 5h^2) - \cos(5x^2 + 1)$$

$$= -\cos(5x^2 + 1)(1 - \cos(10xh + 5h^2)) - \sin(5x^2 + 1) \sin(10xh + 5h^2),$$

$$\frac{1}{h} \Delta_x f(h) = -\cos(5x^2 + 1) \left(\frac{1 - \cos(10xh + 5h^2)}{h} \right) - \sin(5x^2 + 1) \frac{\sin(10xh + 5h^2)}{h},$$

$$= -\cos(5x^2 + 1) \left(\frac{1 - \cos(h(10x + 5h))}{h} \right) - \sin(5x^2 + 1) \frac{\sin(h(10x + 5h))}{h}$$

$$= -\cos(5x^2 + 1)(10x + 5h) \left(\frac{1 - \cos(h(10x + 5h))}{h(10x + 5h)} \right) - \sin(5x^2 + 1)(10x + 5h) \frac{\sin(h(10x + 5h))}{h(10x + 5h)}$$

so

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \Delta_x f(h)$$

$$= -\cos(5x^2 + 1) \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} (10x + 5h) \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos(h(10x + 5h))}{h(10x + 5h)} - \sin(5x^2 + 1) \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} (10x + 5h) \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(h(10x + 5h))}{h(10x + 5h)}$$

$$= -\cos(5x^2 + 1) \cdot 10x \cdot 0 - \sin(5x^2 + 1) \cdot 10x \cdot 1$$

$$= 10x \sin(5x^2 + 1).$$

5. Take f to be the function that is given by

$$f(x) = e^{x^2+4x}.$$

Show that f is differentiable for each x in \mathbb{R} and determine $f'(x)$.

$$\Delta_x f(h) = f(x+h) - f(x)$$

$$= \exp((x+h)^2 + 4(x+h)) - \exp(x^2 + 4x)$$

$$= \exp(\underline{x^2+4x} + \underbrace{2xh+4h+h^2}) - \exp(x^2+4x)$$

$$= \exp(\underline{x^2+4x}) \exp(\underbrace{2xh+4h+h^2}) - \exp(x^2+4x)$$

$$= \exp(x^2+4x) (\exp(h(2x+4+h)) - 1),$$

$$\exp(A+B) = \exp(A)\exp(B)$$

So

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \Delta_x f(h) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \exp(x^2+4x) \left(\frac{\exp(h(2x+4+h)) - 1}{h} \right)$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \exp(x^2+4x)(2x+4+h) \left(\frac{\exp(h(2x+4+h)) - 1}{h(2x+4+h)} \right)$$

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

$$= \exp(x^2+4x)(2x+4) \cdot 1$$

$$= (2x+4)e^{x^2+4x}.$$

Thus, $f'(x) = (2x+4)e^{x^2+4x}.$

6. Take c to be the path that is given for each t by

$$c(t) = (t^3 - 5t, 6 \sin(5t)).$$

Use limits to directly calculate $c'(t)$.

$$\begin{aligned} c(t+h) - c(t) &= ((t+h)^3 - 5(t+h), 6 \sin(5(t+h))) - (t^3 - 5t, 6 \sin(5t)) \\ &= (t^3 + 3t^2h + 3th^2 + h^3 - 5t - 5h, 6 \sin(5t + 5h)) - (t^3 - 5t, 6 \sin(5t)) \quad \text{combine} \\ &= \langle 3t^2h + 3th^2 + h^3 - 5h, 6 \sin(5t + 5h) - 6 \sin(5t) \rangle \\ &= \langle 3t^2h + 3th^2 + h^3 - 5h, 6 \sin(5t) \cos(5h) + 6 \cos(5t) \sin(5h) - 6 \sin(5t) \rangle \\ &= \langle h(3t^2 + 3th + h^2 - 5), -6 \sin(5t)(1 - \cos(5h)) + 6 \cos(5t) \sin(5h) \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{c(t+h) - c(t)}{h} &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left\langle \frac{1}{h} \cdot h(3t^2 + 3th + h^2 - 5), -6 \sin(5t) \left(\frac{1 - \cos(5h)}{h} \right) + 6 \cos(5t) \frac{\sin(5h)}{h} \right\rangle \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left\langle 3t^2 + 3th + h^2 - 5, -6 \sin(5t) \left(\frac{1 - \cos(5h)}{5h} \right) + 6 \cos(5t) \frac{\sin(5h)}{5h} \right\rangle \\ &= \langle 3t^2 + 0 + 0 - 5, -6 \sin(5t) \cdot 0 + 6 \cos(5t) \cdot 1 \rangle \\ &= \langle 3t^2 - 5, 6 \cos(5t) \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $c'(t) = \langle 3t^2 - 5, 6 \cos(5t) \rangle$.