

Fundamental Theorem of Calculus Part 2

9.3 – Average Rate of Change

Notes

Recall:

Average Rate of Change: $\text{Slope} = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}$

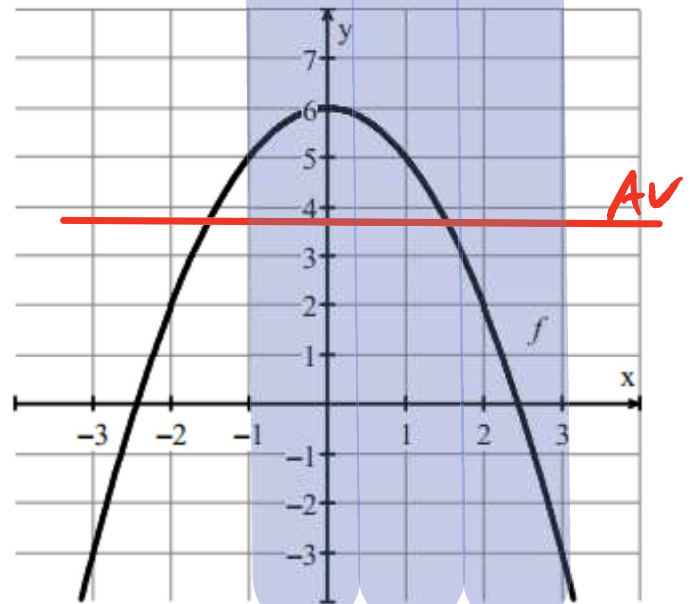
Mean Value Theorem (MVT) for Derivatives: $f'(c) = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}$ for some c value.

Average Value of a Function:

$$\frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

1. Find the average value of $f(x) = 6 - x^2$ on $[-1, 3]$.

$$\begin{aligned} AV &= \frac{1}{3-(-1)} \int_{-1}^3 (6-x^2) dx = \frac{1}{4} (6x - \frac{1}{3}x^3) \Big|_{-1}^3 \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left(\left[6(3) - \frac{1}{3}(3)^3 \right] - \left[6(-1) - \frac{1}{3}(-1)^3 \right] \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left([18 - 9] - [-6 + \frac{1}{3}] \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left([9] - \left[-\frac{18}{3} + \frac{1}{3} \right] \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left[\frac{27}{3} + \frac{17}{3} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left[\frac{44}{3} \right] \\ AV &= \frac{11}{3} \end{aligned}$$



When does the function assume this average value?

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{11}{3} &= 6 - x^2 \\ \frac{11}{3} - \frac{18}{3} &= -x^2 \\ -\frac{7}{3} &= -x^2 \\ \frac{7}{3} &= x^2 \\ \pm\sqrt{\frac{7}{3}} &= x \\ 1.578 &\approx x \end{aligned}$$

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MVT for Integrals:

$$f(c) = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

Comparing **average rate of change** (secant slope) and **average value** of a function.

Set up the equation for each question, but do not solve it. What units will the ANSWER be?

2. $h(t) = -16t^2 + 41t + 10$. h is height (feet) and t is time (seconds).

a. What is the average height during the first 3 seconds?

$$AH = \frac{1}{3} \int_0^3 h(t) dt \quad \text{in feet}$$

b. What is the average velocity during the first 3 seconds?

$$ARC = \frac{h(3) - h(0)}{3} \quad \text{ft/sec}$$

3. $r(x) = 2 \sin x - 1$, where r is the rate at which Mr. Brust's waistline is changing (inches per month) and x is time (months).

a. What is the average rate that Mr. Brust's waistline changes from the 10th to the 12th month?

$$A \text{ rate} = \frac{1}{12-10} \int_{10}^{12} r(x) dx \quad \text{in/month}$$

b. What is the average change of this rate during the first 5 months?

$$ARC = \frac{r(5) - r(0)}{5} \quad \text{in/month}^2$$