

Warm up Skills Topics 2.1-2.4 – The Definition of the Derivative

For Problem 1 & 2, the given limits represent an $f'(c)$ for a function $f(x)$ and a number c . Find f and c .

$$1. \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{[5-3(1+\Delta x)]-2}{\Delta x}$$

$$c = 1, f(x) = 5 - 3x$$

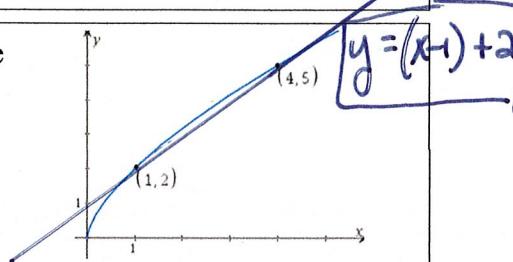
$$2. \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(-2+h)^3 + 8}{h}$$

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

3. What does the equation $y = \frac{f(4)-f(1)}{4-1}(x-1) + f(1)$ represent? Find the equation.

$$y = \frac{5-2}{4-1}(x-1) + 2$$

The equation of the secant line through $(1, 2)$ and $(4, 5)$



4. For the following, state whether the function is continuous, differentiable, both or neither at $x = c$.

a)	b)	c)	d)
continuous	neither	neither	both
e)	f)	g)	h)
neither	neither	neither	both

5. Given the function, $f(x) = x^3 + kx$, and the line, $y = 6x - 2$, find the value of k so that the line is tangent to the function.

$$\textcircled{1} \quad 3x^2 + K = 6 \Rightarrow K = 6 - 3x^2$$

$$\text{and } f(x) = y$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad x^3 + Kx = 6x - 2$$

$$x^3 + (6 - 3x^2)x = 6x - 2$$

$$x^3 + 6x - 3x^3 = 6x - 2$$

$$-2x^3 = -2$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 = 1 \Rightarrow x = 1$$

$$\therefore K = 6 - 3(1)^2$$

$$K = 3 \quad f(x) = x^3 + 3x$$

$$y = 6x - 2$$

$$@ x = 1$$