

(a) The curve  $y = |x|/\sqrt{5-x^2}$  is called a *bullet-nose curve*. Find an equation of the tangent line to this curve at the point  $(2, 2)$ . **2.5 #14**

(b) Illustrate part (a) by graphing the curve and the tangent line on the same screen.

$$y = \frac{|x|}{\sqrt{5-x^2}} = \begin{cases} \frac{x}{\sqrt{5-x^2}} & \text{if } x \geq 0 \\ \frac{-x}{\sqrt{5-x^2}} & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

We want:

$$y = f'(a)(x-a) + f(a) = L(x) = \text{Tangent Line / Linearization}$$

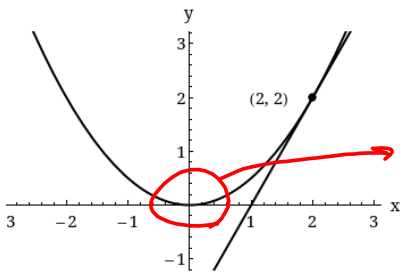
Q  $x=2$ , we're in the  $\frac{x}{\sqrt{5-x^2}} = x(5-x^2)^{-1/2} = f(x)$

$$\Rightarrow f'(x) = 1(5-x^2)^{-1/2} + x(-\frac{1}{2}(5-x^2)^{-3/2}(-2x))$$

$$\Rightarrow f'(2) = 1(5-(2)^2)^{-1/2} + 2(-\frac{1}{2}(5-2^2)^{-3/2}(-2(2)))$$

$$= 1^{-1/2} + 2(-\frac{1}{2}(1)^{-3/2}(-4)) \quad 1 + 2(-\frac{1}{2})(-4) = 1 + 4 = 5 = m_{\text{tan}} = f'(2)$$

For its graph, even with a grapher, it's not immediately obvious.

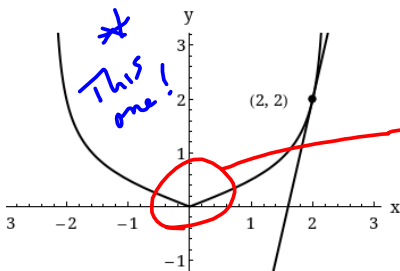


Smooth

$$f'(x) = (5-x^2)^{-1/2} - x^2(5-x^2)^{-3/2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{5-x^2}} \cdot \frac{5-x^2}{5-x^2} - \frac{x^2}{\sqrt{5-x^2}^3}$$

$$= \frac{5-x^2-x^2}{(5-x^2)^{3/2}} = \frac{5-2x^2}{(5-x^2)^{3/2}}$$



This one!

Seems to come to a point.

$$f'(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{5-2x^2}{(5-x^2)^{3/2}} & \text{if } x > 0 \\ \frac{2x^2-5}{(5-x^2)^{3/2}} & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

What about  $x=0$ ?

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} [f'(x)] = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{2x^2-5}{(5-x^2)^{3/2}} = f'_-(0) = \frac{-5}{5^{3/2}}$$

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$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} [f'(x)] = f'_+(0) = \frac{5}{5^{3/2}} \neq \frac{-5}{5^{3/2}} \Rightarrow$$

$f'(0)$   $\nexists$ , so it's pointy @  $x=0$ .  
not smooth

2.5

#20

A Cepheid variable star is a star whose brightness alternately increases and decreases. For a certain star, the interval between times of maximum brightness is 5.8 days. The average brightness of this star is 3.0 and its brightness changes by  $\pm 0.45$ . In view of these data, the brightness of the star at time  $t$ , where  $t$  is measured in days, has been modeled by the function

$$B(t) = 3.0 + 0.45 \sin\left(\frac{2\pi t}{5.8}\right).$$

(a) Find the rate of change of the brightness after  $t$  days.

$$\frac{dB}{dt} = \boxed{\phantom{000000}} \quad \text{Find } B'(t)$$

(b) Find, correct to two decimal places, the rate of increase after five days.

$$\frac{dB}{dt} = \boxed{\phantom{000000}} \quad \text{Find } B'(5)$$

$$(a) B'(t) = .45 \left( \cos\left(\frac{2\pi t}{5.8}\right) \right) \cdot \frac{2\pi}{5.8} = \frac{9\pi}{58} \cos\left(\frac{2\pi t}{5.8}\right)$$

$$\frac{.45(2\pi)}{5.8} = \frac{.45\pi}{2.9} = \frac{4.5\pi}{29} = \frac{45\pi}{290} = \frac{9\pi}{58}$$

$$\begin{aligned} B'(5) &= .45 \cos\left(\frac{10\pi}{5.8}\right) \cdot \frac{2\pi}{5.8} \\ &= \frac{9\pi}{58} \cos\left(\frac{10\pi}{5.8}\right) \quad 0.3155933791 \end{aligned}$$

Two curves are **orthogonal** if their tangent lines are perpendicular at each point of intersection. Are the given families of curves **orthogonal trajectories** of each other? That is, is every curve in one family orthogonal to every curve in the other family?

2.6  $y = cx^2, x^2 + 2y^2 = k$

- #16  Yes, the given families of curves are orthogonal trajectories.  
 No, the given families of curves are not orthogonal trajectories.

Sketch both families of curves on the same axes.

$$y = cx^2 \implies y' = 2cx$$

$$x^2 + 2y^2 = k$$

$$2x + 4y y' = 0$$

$$y' = -\frac{2x}{4y} = -\frac{x}{2y} = \pm \frac{-x}{\sqrt{\frac{k-x^2}{2}}} \quad \text{NO}$$

$$2y^2 = k - x^2$$

$$y^2 = \frac{k-x^2}{2}$$

$$y = \pm \sqrt{\frac{k-x^2}{2}}$$

**I'm not getting negative reciprocals for the slopes.**

**The WebAssign "Watch It" is much better than my treatment.**