MAT 1500 (Dr. Fuentes)

Section 2.8: The Derivative as a Function

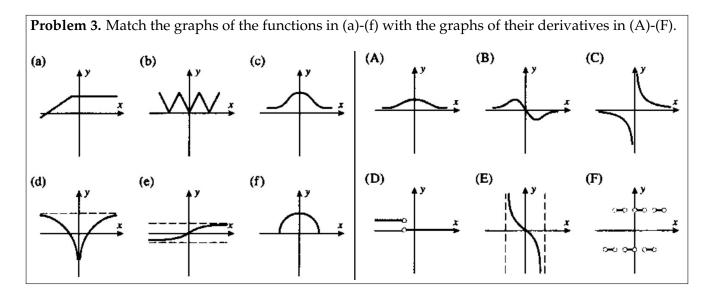
Problem 1.

- (a) Show that $f(x) = x^{2/3}$ is not differentiable at x = 0.
- (b) Determine where the function g(x) = x + |x| is not differentiable. Draw the graphs of g and g'.

Problem 2. Let

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \le 0\\ 5 - x & \text{if } 0 < x < 4\\ \frac{1}{5 - x} & \text{if } x \ge 4 \end{cases}$$

- (a) Where is *f* discontinuous?
- (b) Find f'(4), if it exists. If it does not exist, show why.
- (a) Where is *f* differentiable?



Section 3.1: Derivatives of Polynomials & Exponential Functions

Problem 4. Find the point on the curve $y = 1 + 2e^x - 3x$ at which the tangent line is parallel to the line 3x - y = 5.

Problem 5. Show that the curve $y = 2e^x + 3x + 5x^3$ has no tangent line with slope 2.

Section 3.2: The Product & Quotient Rules

Problem 6. Find f'(x) and f''(x) for $f(x) = \sqrt{x}e^x$.

Problem 7. Find the derivative of $y = \frac{x^2 e^x}{x^2 + e^x}$.