

(* Quiz 25 | AP Calculus BC | F | Problem 1 *)

In[2]:= $f[x_] := (x - 1) / x^2;$

In[3]:= **Simplify**[f' [x]]

Out[3]= $\frac{2 - x}{x^3}$

In[4]:= **Simplify**[f'' [x]]

Out[4]= $\frac{2(-3 + x)}{x^4}$

In[5]:= **f'** [1.9]

Out[5]= 0.0145794

In[6]:= **f'** [2.1]

Out[6]= -0.010798

Local Maximum @ (2, 0.25)

Increasing on (0, 2). Decreasing on (-infinity, 0) and (2, infinity)

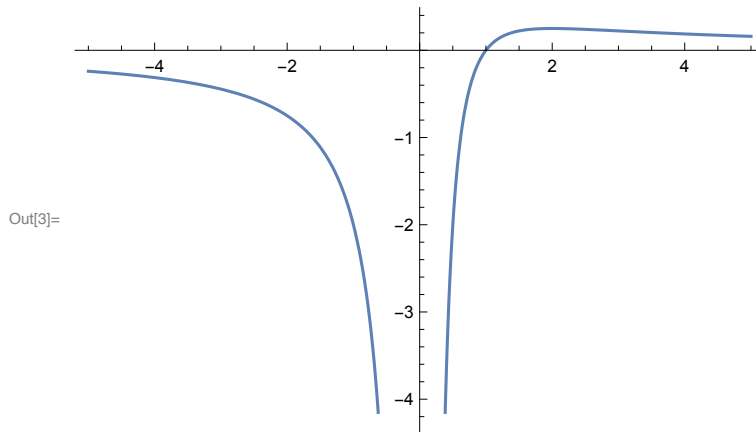
Concave down on (-infinity, 0) and (0, 3). Concave up on (3, infinity).

Inflection point at (3, 2/9).

Vertical asymptote: x=0.

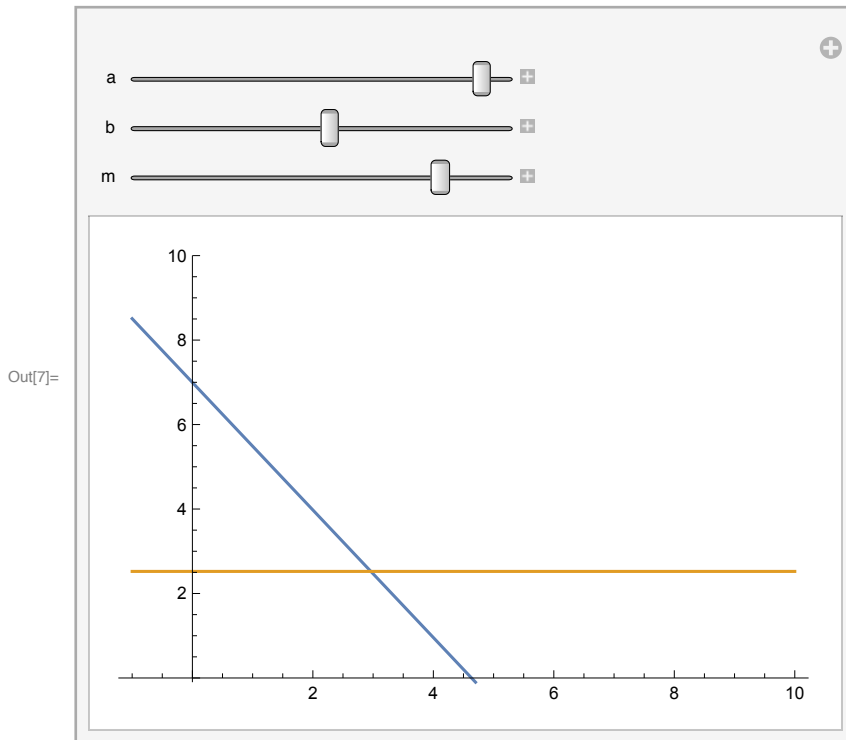
Horizontal Asymptote: y=0

In[3]:= **Plot**[f[x], {x, -5, 5}]



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In[7]:= Manipulate[Plot[{m (x - a) + b, b}, {x, -1, 10}, PlotRange -> {-0.1, 10}],
  {a, 2, 3}, {b, 2, 3}, {m, -8, -.3}]
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In[8]:= Q[m_] := (b - m a)^2 + ((m a - b) / m)^2;
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FullSimplify[Q'[m]] (* domain: m < 0)
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Out[13]=

$$\frac{2(-b + a m)(b + a m^3)}{m^3}$$

The only critical number that matters is $m = \text{CubeRoot}(-b/a)$ because the other critical numbers ($m=0$ and $m=b/a$) are non-negative and hence not in the domain. At the given critical number, observe that the sign changes from negative to positive, justifying a local and global minimum of the quantity $Q(m)$. (At the critical number, note that both m^3 and $(am - b)$ are negative; therefore, combined, these two factors have no effect on the sign change.)

$$\begin{aligned}
D_{min} &= \left(a - \frac{b}{\sqrt[3]{-\frac{b}{a}}} \right)^2 + \left(b - a \cdot \sqrt[3]{-\frac{b}{a}} \right)^2 \\
&= (a + a^{1/3}b^{2/3})^2 + (b + a^{2/3}b^{1/3})^2 \\
&= (a^2 + 2a^{4/3}b^{2/3} + a^{2/3}b^{4/3}) + (b^2 + 2a^{2/3}b^{4/3} + a^{4/3}b^{2/3}) \\
&= a^2 + 3a^{4/3}b^{2/3} + 3a^{2/3}b^{4/3} + b^2 \\
&= (a^{2/3})^3 + 3(a^{2/3})^2(b^{2/3}) + 3(a^{2/3})(b^{2/3})^2 + (b^{2/3})^3 \\
&= (a^{2/3} + b^{2/3})^3.
\end{aligned}$$

Thus the distance in question is $(a^{2/3} + b^{2/3})^{3/2}$.

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To show that the equation has at most one root, we assume it has two roots $x=a$ and $x=b$ such that $-2 < a < b < 2$. Since $f(x)$ is a polynomial, it is continuous and differentiable in its domain. In particular, it is continuous on $[a, b]$ and differentiable on (a, b) . Since $f(a) = 0 = f(b)$, we can use Rolle's theorem to conclude that at least once between a and b , the derivative of $f(x)$ must equal zero.

$$f'(x) = 3x^2 - 15 = 0$$

Solving, we get: $x = \pm \sqrt{5}$. Both values are outside the interval (a, b) because they are greater than 2 in absolute value. By contradiction, we have shown that $f(x) = 0$ has at most one solution in the interval $[-2, 2]$.

(* Quiz 25 | AP Calculus BC | A | Problem 1 *)

In[25]:= `g[x_] := x / (x^2 + 9);`

In[26]:= `Simplify[g'[x]]`

$$\text{Out[26]= } \frac{9 - x^2}{(9 + x^2)^2}$$

In[27]:= `Simplify[g''[x]]`

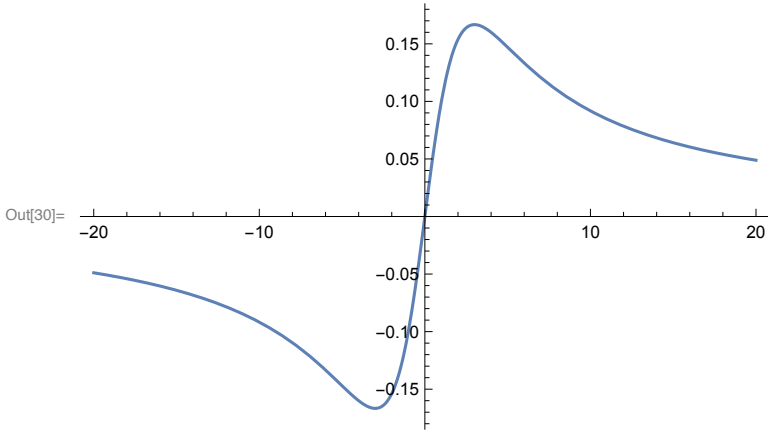
$$\text{Out[27]= } \frac{2x(-27 + x^2)}{(9 + x^2)^3}$$

Increasing on $(-3, 3)$. Decreasing on $(-\infty, -3)$ and $(3, \infty)$.

Concave down $(-\infty, -\sqrt{27})$ and $(0, \sqrt{27})$. Concave up on $(-\sqrt{27}, 0)$ and $(\sqrt{27}, \infty)$.

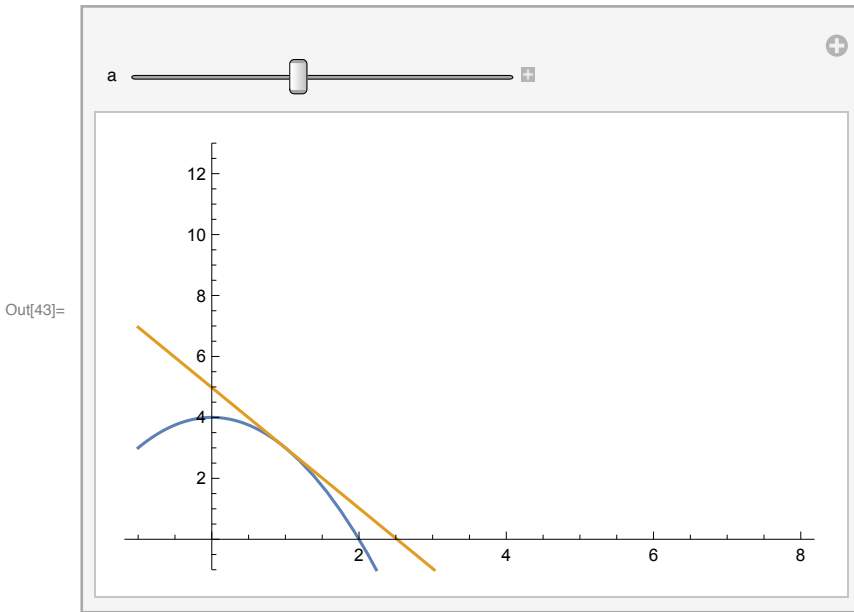
Local min at $x = -3$. Local max at $x = 3$. Inflection Points at $x=0$, $x = \sqrt{27}$ and $x = -\sqrt{27}$.
 Horizontal Asymptote: $y = 0$.
 Vertical Asymptote: none.

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In[30]:= Plot[g[x], {x, -20, 20}]
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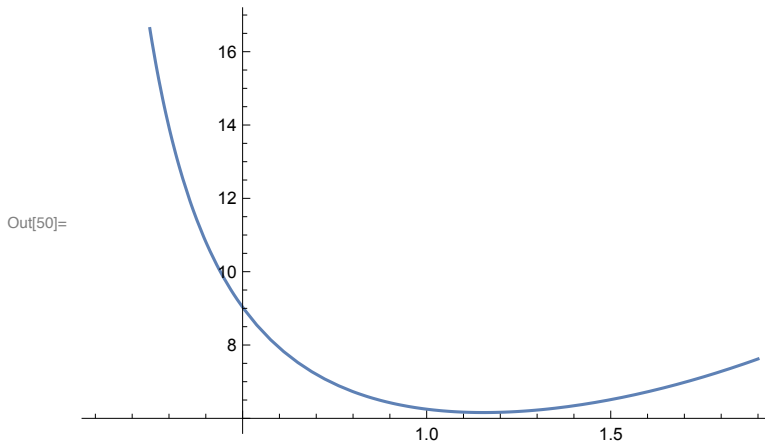
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In[43]:= Manipulate[Plot[{4 - x^2, (-2 a) (x - a) + (4 - a^2)},
    {x, -1, 8}, PlotRange -> {-1, 13}], {a, 0.3, 1.9}]
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(* Area Function = $A[a]$ where a is the x -coordinate of the point where the tangent is drawn. *)

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In[48]:= A[a_] := 0.5 * (4 + a^2) * (4 + a^2) / (2 a);
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In[50]:= **Plot[A[a], {a, 0.1, 1.9}]**



In[46]:= **FullSimplify[A' [a]]**

Out[46]= $2 - \frac{4}{a^2} + 0.75 a^2$

In[52]:= **2 / Sqrt [3] // N**

Out[52]= 1.1547

The domain is $0 < a \leq 2$ ($b = 4 - a^2 \geq 0$ forces $a^2 \leq 4$, so $a \leq 2$). Now setting $A'(a) = 0$:

$$0 = A'(a) = -\frac{4}{a^2} + 2 + \frac{3}{4}a^2 = \frac{3a^4 + 8a^2 - 16}{4a^2}.$$

Thus $3a^2 + 8a^2 - 16 = 0$, a quadratic equation in a^2 ; with the solutions $a^2 = (-8 \pm 16)/6$. a^2 cannot be negative, so the only valid solution is $a^2 = 8/6 = 4/3$, so $a = 2/\sqrt{3}$, which is in the domain. Now $A'(a)$ is seen to be negative near 0, positive for large values of a , thus we have a minimum (single critical point in the

interval criterion!). The corresponding area is $A = \frac{32\sqrt{3}}{9}$.

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To show that the equation has at most two real roots, we assume that the function $f(x) = x^4 + 4x + c$ has three zeroes: $x=a$, $x=b$, $x=c$.

Assume that $a < b < c$.

Since $f(x)$ is continuous and differentiable on any subinterval of its domain (all reals), we can apply Rolle's Theorem separately on the closed intervals $[a,b]$ and $[b, c]$, since $f(a) = f(b) = f(c) = 0$.

By Rolle's Theorem, it follows that there must exist numbers d and e such that $a < d < b < e < c$ and $f'(d) = 0 = f'(e)$. The first derivative of $f(x)$ is $f'(x) = 4x^3 + 4$. If we set it equal to zero, we get one solution ($x = -1$) and not two as our logic suggests.

Therefore, by contradiction, we have shown that the given polynomial cannot have three zeroes. Hence the equation has at most two roots.