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**The Three Forms of Derivative as Limit**

let  $h = \Delta x$

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$$

$$f'(c) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c} \quad \text{where } c \in \text{Reals}$$

$$f'(c) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(c+h) - f(c)}{h} \quad \text{where } c \in \text{Reals}$$

Examples: see page 105 in our textbook

49.  $\frac{d}{dx} (5 - 3x)$  to be evaluated at  $x = 1$

50.  $\frac{d}{dx} (x^3)$  to be evaluated at  $x = -2$

51.  $\frac{d}{dx} (-x^2)$  to be evaluated at  $x = 6$

51.  $\frac{d}{dx} (2\sqrt{x})$  to be evaluated at  $x = 9$

On a separate piece of paper rewrite the following as derivatives, then evaluate

1.  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 - 25}{x - 5}$

2.  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x+h)^4 - x^4}{h}$

3.  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{x+h}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}}{h}$

4.  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + h\right) - \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)}{h}$

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

6.  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{[3(1+h) + 3] - [6]}{h}$

7.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 25} \frac{\sqrt{x} - 5}{x - 25}$

8.  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(\pi + h) - \sin \pi}{h}$

9.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{-x^2 + 25}{x - 5}$

10.  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{[3(4+h) - 3] - [3(4) - 3]}{h}$