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## Students will verbally explain how to use derivatives to analyze graphs

(using appropriate vocabulary:  
sign change, concave up, concave down, slope, point)  
by solving an AP Problem in groups

What do you need to write an equation of a tangent line?

point

slope = derivative

What is an inflection point?  
How do you find one?

Where the sign of the 2<sup>nd</sup> derivative changes

(Where the concavity changes)

What is the second derivative test for extrema?

( $x=a$  is a critical point)

if  $f''(a) < 0$ ,  $f(x)$  is concave down + has a max at  $x=a$

if  $f''(a) > 0$ ,  $f(x)$  is concave up + has a min at  $x=a$

4. Suppose that the function  $f$  has a continuous second derivative for all  $x$ , and that  $f(0) = 2$ ,  $f'(0) = -3$ , and  $f''(0) = 0$ . Let  $g$  be a function whose derivative is given by  $g'(x) = e^{-2x}(3f(x) + 2f'(x))$  for all  $x$ .

(a) Write an equation of the line tangent to the graph of  $g$  at the point where  $x = 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} y - 2 &= -3x \\ y &= -3x + 2 \end{aligned}$$

(a) Slope at  $x = 0$  is  $f'(0) = -3$

At  $x = 0$ ,  $y = 2$

$$y - 2 = -3(x - 0)$$

1: equation

- (b) Is there sufficient information to determine whether or not the graph of  $f$  has a point of inflection when  $x = 0$ ? Explain your answer.



(b) No. Whether  $f''(x)$  changes sign at  $x = 0$  is unknown. The only given value of  $f''(x)$  is  $f''(0) = 0$ .

2 { 1: answer  
1: explanation

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- (c) Given that  $g(0) = 4$ , write an equation of the line tangent to the graph of  $g$  at the point where  $x = 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} g'(0) &= e^{-2(0)}(3f(0) + 2f'(0)) \\ g'(0) &= e^0(3(2) + 2(-3)) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

(c)  $g'(x) = e^{-2x}(3f(x) + 2f'(x))$

$$g'(0) = e^0(3f(0) + 2f'(0))$$

$$= 3(2) + 2(-3) = 0$$

$$y - 4 = 0(x - 0)$$

$$y = 4$$

2 { 1:  $g'(0)$   
1: equation

- (d) Show that  $g''(x) = e^{-2x}(-6f(x) - f'(x) + 2f''(x))$ . Does  $g$  have a local maximum at  $x = 0$ ? Justify your answer.

(d)  $g'(x) = e^{-2x}(3f(x) + 2f'(x))$

$$\begin{aligned} g''(x) &= (-2e^{-2x})(3f(x) + 2f'(x)) \\ &\quad + e^{-2x}(3f'(x) + 2f''(x)) \end{aligned}$$

$$= e^{-2x}(-6f(x) - f'(x) + 2f''(x))$$

$$g''(0) = e^0[(-6)(2) - (-3) + 2(0)] = -9$$

Since  $g'(0) = 0$  and  $g''(0) < 0$ ,  $g$  does have a local maximum at  $x = 0$ .

4 { 2: verify derivative  
0/2 product or chain rule error  
< -1 > algebra errors  
1:  $g'(0) = 0$  and  $g''(0)$   
1: answer and reasoning