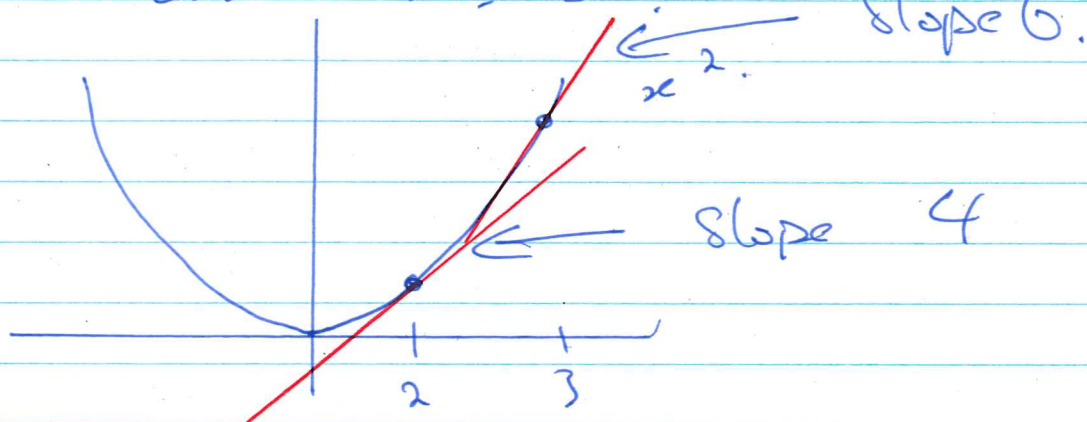


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- HW4 Due Wed
- Labs run as usual next week
- ~~Due~~ HW5 Due next Mon (19th)

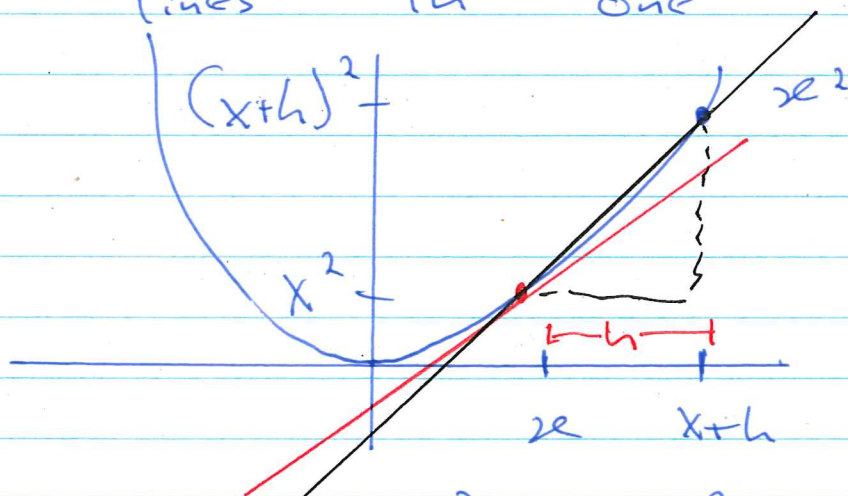
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Last class we found the slope of the tangent lines to $f(x) = x^2$ at points $(2, 4)$ and $(3, 9)$



We did this by taking the limit of secant lines (one computation for each).

Let's find the slopes of all tangent lines in one go.



$$\begin{aligned} m_{\text{sec}} &= \frac{(x+h)^2 - x^2}{x+h - x} \\ &= \frac{(x+h)^2 - x^2}{h} \end{aligned}$$

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$$m_{\text{tan}} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} m_{\text{sec}}$$

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

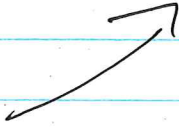
$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cancel{x^2} + 2xh + h^2 - \cancel{x^2}}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2xh + h^2}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cancel{h}(2x+h)}{\cancel{h}}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 2x + h = 2x + 0 = 2x$$

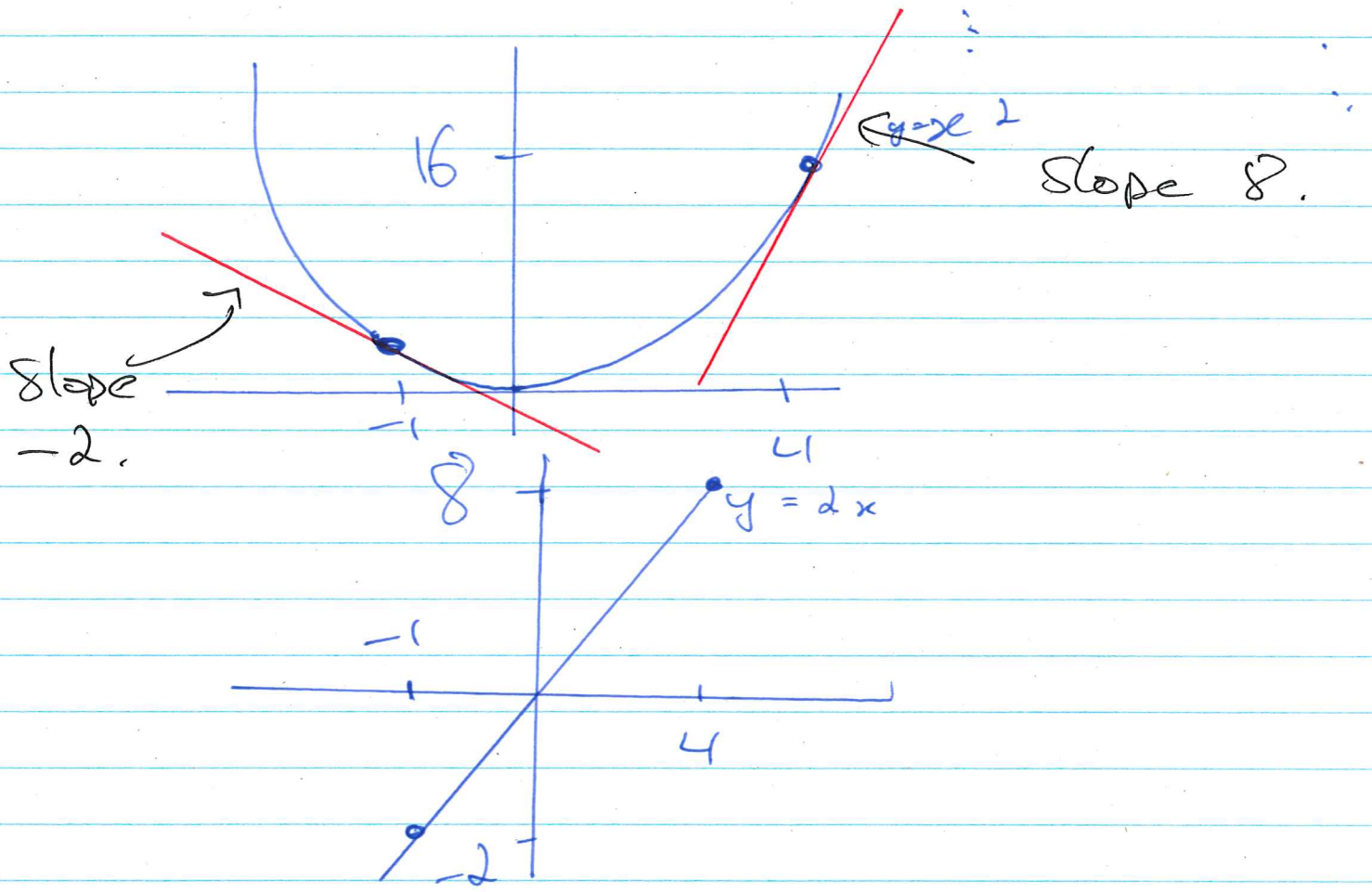
This function tells us the slope of the tangent line to x^2 at any point x .



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For example: at $x=2$, slope is 4
3
4
8
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If $f(x) = x^2$ we write

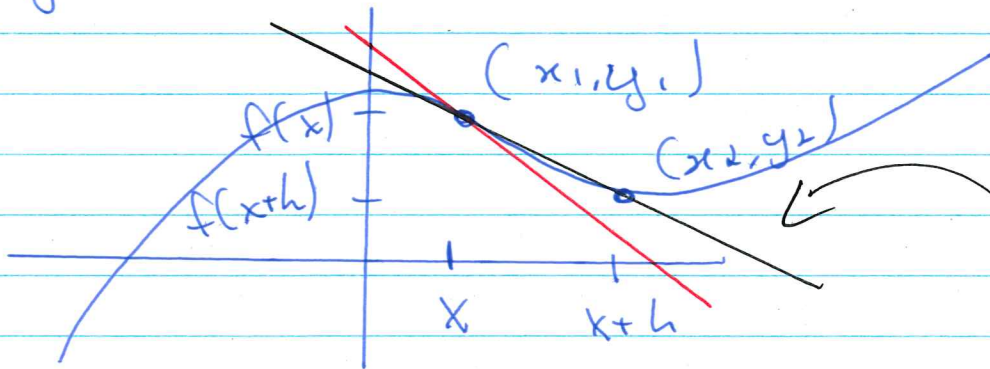
$$D(f) = \frac{df}{dx} = f'(x) = 2x$$

↑ different for notation the derivative

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In general,



$$\begin{aligned} \text{w/sec.} &= \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{x+h - x} \\ &= \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \end{aligned}$$

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