

Name Solutions

MATH-1951

Quiz 1 - (2.1, 2.2)

Answer the following questions, and show your work. Scientific calculator only.

[1] (4 points total) If a rock is thrown upward on the planet Mars with a velocity of 10 m/s, its height in meters t seconds later is given by $y = 10t - 1.86t^2$.

(a) (0.5 pt each) Find the average velocity over the given time intervals:

i) [1, 2]

$$\text{average velocity} = \frac{\text{change in position}}{\text{time elapsed}} = \frac{(10 \cdot 2 - 1.86 \cdot 2^2) - (10 \cdot 1 - 1.86 \cdot 1^2)}{2 - 1} \\ = \frac{20 - 1.86 \cdot 4 - 10 + 1.86}{1} = 4.42 \text{ m/s}$$

ii) [1, 1.5]

$$\text{average velocity} = \frac{(10 \cdot 1.5 - 1.86 \cdot 1.5^2) - (10 \cdot 1 - 1.86 \cdot 1^2)}{1.5 - 1} = 5.35 \text{ m/s}$$

iii) [1, 1.1]

$$\text{average velocity} = \frac{(10 \cdot 1.1 - 1.86 \cdot 1.1^2) - (10 \cdot 1 - 1.86 \cdot 1^2)}{1.1 - 1} = 6.095 \text{ m/s}$$

iv) [1, 1.01]

$$\text{average velocity} = \frac{(10 \cdot 1.01 - 1.86 \cdot 1.01^2) - (10 \cdot 1 - 1.86 \cdot 1^2)}{1.01 - 1} = 6.2614 \text{ m/s}$$

v) [1, 1.001]

$$\text{average velocity} = \frac{(10 \cdot 1.001 - 1.86 \cdot 1.001^2) - (10 \cdot 1 - 1.86 \cdot 1^2)}{1.001 - 1} = 6.27814 \text{ m/s}$$

(b) (1.5 pt) Estimate the instantaneous velocity when $t = 1$.

Based on the above work, we estimate the instantaneous velocity when $t=1$ to be 6.28 m/s

[2] (6 points total) Sketch the graph of an example of a function f with domain $[-8, 0) \cup (0, 8]$ that satisfies all of the given conditions.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x) = -2, \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x) = -1, \quad f(2) = 0, \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow -5} f(x) = \infty$$

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