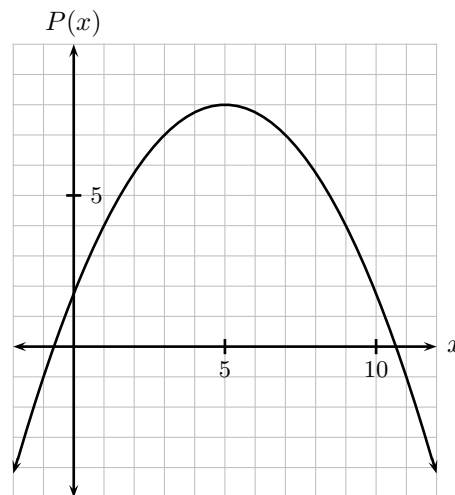


Indicate clearly and neatly how you obtain all of your answers on this assignment, doing your work on additional paper.

1. Suppose we have the profit function

$$P(x) = -0.25x^2 + 2.5x + 1.75$$

(which is not particularly realistic), with x being the number of units sold and P being the profit, in dollars. The graph of the function is shown to the right.



- (a) Find that average rate of change of profit from $x = 3$ to $x = 9$. **Give your answer with correct units.** I should have been emphasizing this all along, but haven't. You should get your answer from computing a fraction, and the correct units should be the units for the top divided by (or "per") the units on the bottom.
- (b) Find the equation of the secant line through the points on the graph where $x = 3$ and $x = 9$. You do not need to re-do anything in part (a) that is of use.
- (c) **Neatly** draw in the secant line whose equation you just found on the graph. **Label it as Line 1.**

2. Continue using the profit function from Exercise 1.

- (a) Determine that marginal profit for the third unit.
- (b) Give the derivative of the profit function, then use it to approximate the marginal profit for the third unit.
- (c) Determine the percent error between the actual marginal profit and the approximation from the derivative.
- (d) Find the equation of the tangent line to the graph of the function at $x = 3$.
- (e) **Neatly** draw in the secant line whose equation you just found on the graph. **Label it as Line 2.**

3. Find the equation of the tangent line to $y = x^3 - 5x - 1$ at $x = 2$.

4. Find the limit $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x + 3}{x^2 - 4x + 2}$, showing steps as we did in class on Friday, 2/26.