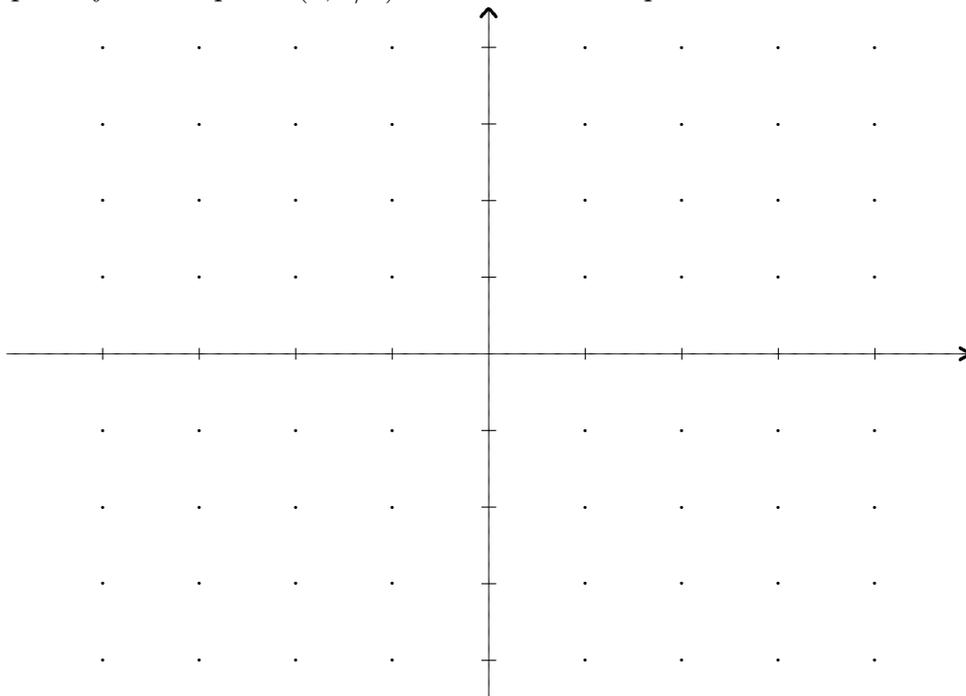


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On all the following questions, **show your work**.1. (20 points) Let  $f(x) = \frac{1}{1+x}$ . Notice that  $f(1) = 1/2$ .(a) Sketch the graph of  $f$  on the grid provided and draw the line tangent to the graph of  $f$  at the point  $(1, 1/2)$ . Estimate the slope of the line.(b) Compute  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{2+h} - \frac{1}{2}}{h}$ .

(c) Describe what the answer to (b) means.

2. (20 points) Let  $g(x) = \sqrt{x+2}$ . Find  $g'(a)$  by taking the limit of the difference quotient. In other words, use the definition of derivative.

3. (20 points) Describe in English what it means to say that “the limit of a function  $f$  is 3 as  $x$  approaches 2”. Sketch the graph of a function which has this property but also satisfies  $f(2) = 1$ .

4. (20 points) Let  $k(x) = x^2 - x$ .

(a) Using the definition of derivative, find  $k'(x)$

(b) Evaluate the function found above at  $x = 3$  to find  $k'(3)$ .

(c) Use the information above to find an equation for the line tangent to the graph of  $k$  at the point  $(3, k(3))$ .