

Answer on Question #61369 – Math – Calculus

Question

3) Given that $f(x)=2x^2 - 3x + 5$, evaluate $(f(x+\Delta x) - f(x))/\Delta x$

- a) $2x-1+\Delta x$
- b) $-2x-3+\Delta x$
- c) $2x-2+\Delta x$
- d) $4x-3+2\Delta x$

Solution

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{f(x + \Delta x) - f(x)}{\Delta x} &= \frac{2(x + \Delta x)^2 - 3(x + \Delta x) + 5 - 2x^2 + 3x - 5}{\Delta x} = \\ &= \frac{4x\Delta x + 2(\Delta x)^2 - 3\Delta x}{\Delta x} = 4x - 3 + 2\Delta x.\end{aligned}$$

Answer: d) $4x-3+2\Delta x$.

Question

4) Let $f(x)=x^2+2$ and $g(x)=x^2+3$. Find the composite function $f(g(x))$

- a) x^2+4x^2+6
- b) x^4+6x^2+11
- c) x^4-3x^2+6
- d) x^2-3x^2+8

Solution

$$f(g(x)) = f(x^2 + 3) = (x^2 + 3)^2 + 2 = x^4 + 6x^2 + 11.$$

Answer: b) x^4+6x^2+11 .