

Average Rate of change and Function Classes

1. Draw a Venn diagram of the following Sets of functions:

- (a) Constant
- (b) Linear
- (c) Power
- (d) Polynomial
- (e) Rational
- (f) Algebraic
- (g) Exponential

2. Suppose we have a function defined on the interval from -1 to 6 . If we know that the average rate of change of f on the interval from -1 to 1 is 5 , and the average rate of change of f on the interval from 1 to 6 is -3 , what is the average rate of change of f on the interval -1 to 6 ?
3. Suppose we have a function defined on the interval from a to b , and let c be a number such that $a < c < b$. If we know that the average rate of change of f on the interval from a to c is 3 , and the average rate of change of f on the interval from c to b is 2 , what is the average rate of change of f on the interval a to b ? (**Hint: Your answer will be in terms of a, b , and c**)
4. Suppose we have a function defined on the interval from a to b , and let c be a number such that $a < c < b$. If we know that the average rate of change of f on the interval from a to c is r_1 , and the average rate of change of f on the interval from c to b is r_2 , what is the average rate of change of f on the interval a to b ? (**Hint: Consider the quantities you know (i.e. a, b, c, r_1 , and r_2) and use the formula to solve for the one you don't.**)