

By the product rule, $y = f(x) = x(5-x)^{1/2}$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} &= f'(x) = \frac{d}{dx}(x)(5-x)^{1/2} + x \frac{d}{dx}[(5-x)^{1/2}] \\ &= 1 \cdot (5-x)^{1/2} + x \left\{ \frac{1}{2}(5-x)^{-1/2}(0-1) \right\} \\ &= (5-x)^{1/2} - \frac{1}{2}x(5-x)^{-1/2} \\ &= \frac{2 \cdot (5-x)}{2\sqrt{5-x}} - \frac{x}{2\sqrt{5-x}} \\ &= \frac{10 - 3x}{2\sqrt{5-x}}\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } m_1 = \left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{x=1} = f'(1) = \frac{10-3}{2\sqrt{5-1}} = \frac{7}{4}$$

$$\text{and } m_2 = \left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{x=4} = f'(4) = \frac{10-12}{2\sqrt{5-4}} = -1$$

\therefore Tangent line at $(a, b) = (1, 2)$ is

$$\begin{aligned}y - b_1 &= m_1(x - a_1) \\ \Rightarrow y - 2 &= \frac{7}{4}(x - 1) \\ \Rightarrow y &= \frac{7}{4}x + \frac{1}{4}\end{aligned}$$

and tangent line at $(a_2, b_2) = (4, 4)$ is

$$\begin{aligned}y - b_2 &= m_2(x - a_2) \\ \Rightarrow y - 4 &= (-1)(x - 4) \\ \Rightarrow y &= -x + 8 \\ \text{or } x + y &= 8\end{aligned}$$

Use chain rule: $u = 5-x$, $\frac{d}{dx} u^{1/2} = \frac{1}{2}u^{-1/2}(0-1) = -\frac{1}{2}(5-x)^{-1/2}$

$$\frac{d}{dx}((5-x)^{1/2}) = \frac{du}{dx} \frac{dy}{du} = \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{1}{2}u^{-1/2}(0-1) \right) = -\frac{1}{2}(5-x)^{-1/2}$$