

Squeeze Thm

Lemma: For any number a we have

$$-|a| \leq a \leq |a|$$

Example: $-1 \leq 1 \leq |1|$ means
 $-1 \leq 1 \leq 1$

$$-|1-2| \leq -2 \leq |1-2| \text{ means}$$

$$-2 \leq -2 \leq 2$$

So we have $-|f(x)| \leq f(x) \leq |f(x)|$ for any function f since $f(x)$ is a number

Example) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} (x-3) e^{\cos(1/x^2)}$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} (x-3)^2 e^{\cos(1/x^2)}$

Idea: Bound "bad" function $e^{\cos(1/x^2)}$ and compare
 $(x-3) e^{\cos(1/x^2)}$ to a constant multiple of $(x-3)$ to use squeeze thm

Note: $e^{-1} \leq e^{\cos(1/x^2)} \leq e^1$ since $-1 \leq \cos(1/x^2) \leq 1$

Note $(x-3)^2$ is non-negative so as

$$e^{-1} \leq e^{\cos(1/x^2)} \leq e^1 \text{ implies}$$
$$e^{-1} (x-3)^2 \leq (x-3)^2 e^{\cos(1/x^2)} \leq e (x-3)^2 \leftarrow \text{FINE SINCE MULTIPLYING BY A NON-NEGATIVE NUMBER}$$

$\nearrow$ squeeze implies limit is zero

BUT CANNOT SAY

$$e^{-1} (x-3) \leq (x-3) e^{\cos(1/x^2)} \leq e (x-3) \leftarrow \text{MULTIPLYING BY A NEGATIVE NUMBER IF } x < 3$$

SOLUTION: $-|x-3| e^{\cos(1/x^2)} \leq (x-3) e^{\cos(1/x^2)} \leq |x-3| e^{\cos(1/x^2)}$

$$|e^{\cos(1/x^2)}| \leq e$$

$$\text{so } |x-3| |e^{\cos(1/x^2)}| \leq e |x-3|$$

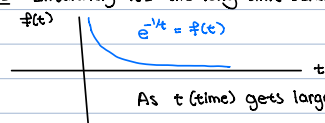
$$\text{and } -|x-3| |e^{\cos(1/x^2)}| \geq -e |x-3|$$

$$\text{So } -e |x-3| \leq -|x-3| |e^{\cos(1/x^2)}| \leq (x-3) e^{\cos(1/x^2)} \leq |x-3| |e^{\cos(1/x^2)}| \leq e |x-3|$$

$$\text{So } -e |x-3| \leq (x-3) e^{\cos(1/x^2)} \leq e |x-3|$$

So squeeze $\Rightarrow$ limit is 0.

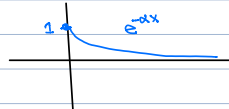
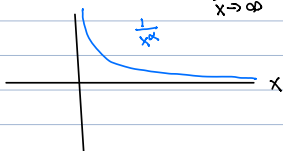
Infinite limits: Intuitively it's the long time behavior of the function



As t (time) gets larger & larger $f(t)$ goes to 0 so we say $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} f(t) = 0$

Theorem For any $\alpha > 0$ [for instance $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}, \pi, .0001$ etc] we have

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{x^\alpha} = 0 \quad \& \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} e^{-\alpha x} = 0$$



In general, factor whenever you're asked to solve the limit as $x \rightarrow \infty$ of a rational function or root

Example $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{8t^2 + 7t^{1/3}}{\sqrt{16t^4 + 6}}$

1st step: Factor out highest power from top & bottom

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{8t^2 + 7t^{1/3}}{\sqrt{16t^4 + 6}} &= \frac{t^2(8 + 7t^{-5/3})}{\sqrt{t^4(16 + 6t^{-4})}} = \frac{t^2(8 + 7t^{-5/3})}{t^2 \sqrt{16 + 6t^{-4}}} \\ &= \frac{8 + 7t^{-5/3}}{\sqrt{16 + 6t^{-4}}} \end{aligned}$$

Remember

$$t^A t^B = t^{A+B}$$

$$\text{So } t^2(8 + 7t^{-5/3}) = 8t^2 + 7t^{2-5/3} = 8t^2 + 7t^{1/3}$$

$$\text{So } \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{8t^2 + 7t^{1/3}}{\sqrt{16t^4 + 6}} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{8 + 7t^{-5/3}}{\sqrt{16 + 6t^{-4}}} \stackrel{\text{Quotient Rule}}{=} \frac{\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (8 + 7t^{-5/3})}{\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{16 + 6t^{-4}}} = \frac{8}{\sqrt{16}} = \frac{8}{4} = 2$$

Ex 2) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\sqrt{4x^4 + 9x} - 2x^2)$

Multiply by the conjugate to make into rational function

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{4x^4 + 9x} - 2x^2 &= (\sqrt{4x^4 + 9x} - 2x^2) \left(\frac{\sqrt{4x^4 + 9x} + 2x^2}{\sqrt{4x^4 + 9x} + 2x^2} \right) \\ &= \frac{4x^4 + 9x - 4x^4}{\sqrt{4x^4 + 9x} + 2x^2} = \frac{9x}{\sqrt{4x^4 + 9x} + 2x^2} \end{aligned}$$

Factor highest power as it is a rational/root function

$$\frac{9x}{\sqrt{4x^4 + 9x} + 2x^2} = \frac{x(9)}{\sqrt{x^4(4 + 9x^{-3})} + x^2(2)} = \frac{x(9)}{x^2 \sqrt{4 + 9x^{-3}} + 2x^2} = \frac{x(9)}{x^2(\sqrt{4 + 9x^{-3}} + 2)} = \frac{9}{x(\sqrt{4 + 9x^{-3}} + 2)}$$

$$\text{So } \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\sqrt{4x^4 + 9x} - 2x^2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{9}{x(\sqrt{4 + 9x^{-3}} + 2)} \right) = 0 \quad \square$$

Derivatives + Tangent line

We say $f(x)$ is differentiable at x_0 if

$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{f(x_0+h) - f(x_0)}{h} \right]$ exists. The limit is written as $f'(x_0)$

Differentiable functions are continuous!

Example Compute derivative of $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2}$ at $x=2$

First Write the "difference quotient"

$$\rightarrow \frac{f(2+h) - f(2)}{h} = \frac{\frac{1}{(2+h)^2} - \frac{1}{2^2}}{h} = \frac{\frac{1}{(2+h)^2} - \frac{1}{2^2}}{h}$$

Common denominator

$$= \frac{\frac{2^2}{2^2(2+h)^2} - \frac{(2+h)^2}{2^2(2+h)^2}}{h}$$

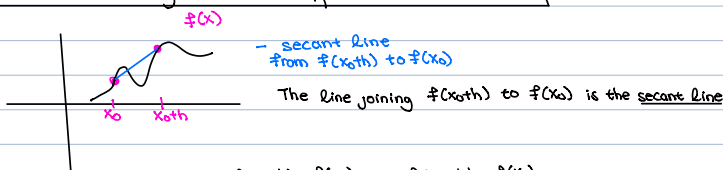
In general write difference quotient & use algebra tricks

$$= \frac{4 - (4+4h+h^2)}{h(4(2+h)^2)} = \frac{-4h-h^2}{h(4(2+h)^2)} = \frac{h(-4-h)}{h(4(2+h)^2)}$$

$$= \frac{-4-h}{4(2+h)^2}$$

$$\text{So } \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(2+h) - f(2)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{-4-h}{4(2+h)^2} \right) = \frac{-4}{4(2+0)^2} = \frac{-4}{16} = -\frac{1}{4}$$

Secant line & tangent line interpretation of derivative



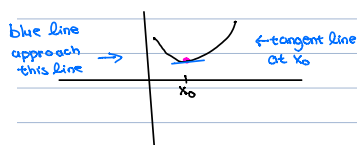
$$\text{Recall } m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{f(x_0+h) - f(x_0)}{x_0+h - x_0} = \frac{f(x_0+h) - f(x_0)}{h} \leftarrow \text{slope of secant line}$$

$$\left[\text{Compare to } f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x_0+h) - f(x_0)}{h} \right]$$

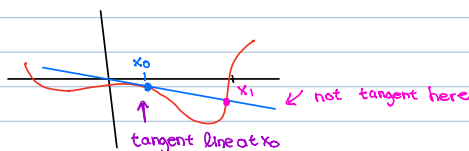
As $h \rightarrow 0$



The tangent line at x_0 of f is a line that touches the point x_0 and looks "parallel" to $f(x_0)$



The derivative is just the slope of the tangent line!



So if $f(x)$ is differentiable at x_0 then the tangent line at x_0 of $f(x)$ is

$$L(x) = \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{slope}}}{f'(x_0)}(x - x_0) + \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{touches} \\ f(x_0) \text{ at } x=x_0}}{f(x_0)}$$

- Tangent line at x_0 of $f(x)$ slope is $f'(x_0)$
- Has to touch $f(x_0)$ at $x=x_0$

Example Compute tangent line at $x=2$ of $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2}$

By previous example $f'(2) = -\frac{1}{4}$ and $f(2) = \frac{1}{4}$

$$\text{So } L(x) = -\frac{1}{4}(x-2) + \frac{1}{4} = -\frac{1}{4}x + \frac{1}{2}$$