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00. FUNCTIONS & SETS

sets

$$A = \{x \mid \textit{properties of } x\}$$

- $A \subseteq B$: A is a subset of B
- $A \nsubseteq B$: A is not a subset of B
- $A = B \leftrightarrow A \subseteq B \wedge B \subseteq A$

operations on sets

- union: $A \cup B = \{x \mid x \in A \vee x \in B\}$
- intersection: $A \cap B = \{x \mid x \in A \wedge x \in B\}$
- difference: $A \backslash B = \{x \mid x \in A \wedge x \notin B\}$

notations of sets

- $\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{N}$
- $\mathbb{N} = \mathbb{Z}^+$
- $\emptyset$: empty set

notations of intervals

- closed interval (inclusive): $[a, b] = \{x \mid a \leq x \leq b\}$
- open interval (exclusive): $(a, b) = \{x \mid a < x < b\}$
  - $(a, \infty) = \{x \mid a < x\}$

functions

- **existence**: $\forall a \in A, f(a) \in B$
- **uniqueness**: $\forall a \in A$ has only one image in B.
- for $f : A \to B$
  - domain: A
  - codomain: B
  - range: $\{f(x) \mid x \in A\}$
- for this mod:
  - $A, B \subseteq \mathbb{R}$
  - if A is not stated, the domain of f is the largest possible set for which f is defined
  - if B is not stated, $B = \mathbb{R}$

graphs of functions

The graph of f is the set

$$G(f) := \{(x, f(x)) \mid x \in A\}$$

- if $A, B \subseteq R$ then $G(f) \subseteq A \times B \subseteq \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$
- each element is a point on the Cartesian plane $\mathbb{R}^2$

algebra of functions

function	domain
$(f+g)(x) := f(x) + g(x)$	$A \cap B$
$(f-g)(x) := f(x) - g(x)$	$A \cap B$
$(fg)(x) := f(x)g(x)$	$A \cap B$
$(f/g)(x) := f(x)/g(x)$	$\{x \in A \cap B \mid g(x) \neq 0\}$

types of functions

- **rational function**: $R(x) = \frac{P(x)}{Q(x)}$, where P, Q are polynomials and $Q(x) \neq 0$
  - every polynomial is a rational function ($Q(x) = 1$)
- **algebraic function**: constructed from polynomials using algebraic operations
- a function f is **increasing** on a set I if $x_q < x_2 \Rightarrow f(x_1) < f(x_2)$ for any $x_1, x_2 \in I$.
- a function f is **decreasing** on a set I if $x_q < x_2 \Rightarrow f(x_1) > f(x_2)$ for any $x_1, x_2 \in I$.
- even/odd:
  - **even function**: $\forall x, f(-x) = f(x)$
    - symmetric about the y-axis
  - **odd function**: $\forall x, f(-x) = -f(x)$
    - symmetric about the origin O
  - any function defined on $\mathbb{R}$ can be decomposed *uniquely* into the sum of an even function and an odd function
- **power function**: x^n
  - x^n is $\begin{cases} \text{an odd function,} & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \\ \text{an even function,} & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \end{cases}$

01. LIMITS

definition

if $f(x)$ is arbitrarily close to L by taking x to be sufficiently close (but not equal to) a, then we write

$$\lim_{x \to a} f(x) = L$$

or $x \to a \Rightarrow f(x) \to L$

- the limit $\lim_{x \to a} f(x)$
  - depends only on the values of $f(x)$ for x near a
  - is independent to the value of $f(x)$ at a.

limit laws

- Let $c \in \mathbb{R}$. $\lim_{x \to a} c = c$
- $\lim_{x \to a} x = a$

Suppose $\lim_{x \to a} f(x) = L$ and $\lim_{x \to a} g(x) = M$. Let c be a constant.

- $\lim_{x \to a} (cf(x)) = cL = c \lim_{x \to a} f(x)$
- $\lim_{x \to a} (f(x) + g(x)) = L + M = \lim_{x \to a} f(x) + \lim_{x \to a} g(x)$
- $\lim_{x \to a} (f(x) - g(x)) = \lim_{x \to a} f(x) - \lim_{x \to a} g(x)$
- $\lim_{x \to a} (f(x)g(x)) \lim_{x \to a} f(x) \lim_{x \to a} g(x)$
- $\lim_{x \to a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{\lim_{x \to a} f(x)}{\lim_{x \to a} g(x)}$ provided that $\lim_{x \to a} g(x) \neq 0$
- $\lim_{x \to a} (f(x))^n = \left(\lim_{x \to a} f(x)\right)^n$
- $\lim_{x \to a} \sqrt[n]{f(x)} = \sqrt[n]{\lim_{x \to a} f(x)}$

inequalities on limits

Suppose $\lim_{x \to a} f(x) = L$ and $\lim_{x \to a} g(x) = M$.

lemma

if $f(x) \leq g(x)$ for all x near a (except possibly at a), then $L \leq M$.

lemma

If $f(x) \geq 0$ for all x, then $L \geq 0$.

direct substitution property

Let f be a polynomial or rational function.
If a is in the domain of f, then

$$\lim_{x \to a} f(x) = f(a)$$

If $f(x) = g(x)$ for all x near a except possibly at a, then

$$\lim_{x \to a} f(x) = \lim_{x \to a} g(x)$$

applications

- if a is not in the domain (e.g. 0 denominator), don't apply directly
- convert to an equivalent function and then sub in

one-sided limits

- limit laws also hold for one-sided limits

If as x is close to a from the right, $f(x)$ is close to L, the right-hand limit of f as x approaches a equals L.

$$(x \to a^+ \Rightarrow f(x) \to L) \Rightarrow \lim_{x \to a^+} f(x) = L$$

If as x is close to a from the left, $f(x)$ is close to L, the left-hand limit of f as x approaches a equals L.

$$(x \to a^- \Rightarrow f(x) \to L) \Rightarrow \lim_{x \to a^-} f(x) = L$$

$$\boxed{\lim_{x \to a} f(x) = L \leftrightarrow \lim_{x \to a^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \to a^-} f(x) = L}$$

$$f(x) \to L \Leftarrow x \to a \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} x \to a^+ \Rightarrow f(x) \to L \\ x \to a^- \Rightarrow f(x) \to L \end{cases}$$

infinite limits

Suppose f is defined on both sides of a (except possibly at a).
If $f(x)$ is arbitrarily large by taking x sufficiently close to a,

$$\lim_{x \to a} f(x) = \infty$$

If $f(x)$ is arbitrarily negatively large $\cdots$,

$$\lim_{x \to a} f(x) = -\infty$$

Suppose f is defined on $[M, \infty)$ for some real number M.
If $f(x)$ is arbitrarily close to L by taking x sufficiently large,

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} f(x) = L$$

squeeze theorem

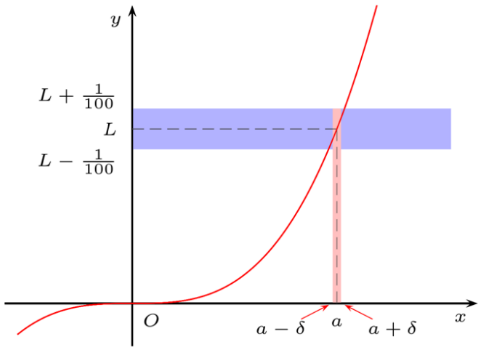
- Suppose $f(x)$ is bounded by $g(x)$ and $h(x)$ where
  - $g(x) \leq f(x) \leq h(x)$ for all x near a (except at a),
  - and $\lim_{x \to a} g(x) = \lim_{x \to a} h(x) = L$.

Then $\lim_{x \to a} f(x) = L$

definition of limits

Let f be a function defined on an open interval containing a, except possibly at a.
The limit of $f(x)$. as x approaches a, equals L if. for every $\epsilon > 0$ there is $\delta > 0$ such that

$$0 < |x - a| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - L| < \epsilon$$



informally,

- x is close to but not equal to a.
- $f(x)$ is arbitrarily close to L.

definition of one-sided limits

LH Limit: $\lim_{x \to a^-} f(x) = L$

if for every $\epsilon > 0$ there exists $\delta > 0$ such that

$$0 < a - x < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - L| < \epsilon$$

RH Limit: $\lim_{x \to a^+} f(x) = L$

if for every $\epsilon > 0$ there exists $\delta > 0$ such that

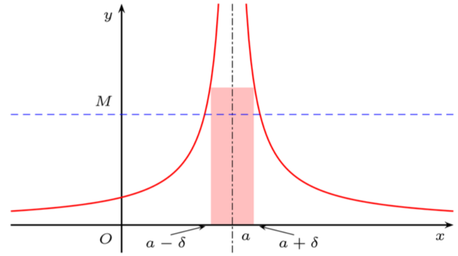
$$0 < x - a < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - L| < \epsilon$$

definition of infinite limit

$$\lim_{x \to a} f(x) = \infty$$

if for every $M > 0$ there exists $\delta > 0$ such that

$$0 < |x - a| < \delta \Rightarrow f(x) > M$$



negative infinite limit:

$$0 < |x - a| < \delta \Rightarrow f(x) < M$$

triangle inequality

$|a = b| \leq |a| + |b|$ for all $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$