

Lecture 11 - 17/04/23

→ 11.1 Derivatives

If a function $f'(x)$, which is the derivative of $f(x)$ is also DIFF, we can get $f''(x)$ which is $(f'(x))'$. We can continue as long as $f''(x)$ is DIFF.

→ 11.2 L'Hopital Rule and Indeterminate Forms

Indeterminate Forms

TYPE

EXAMPLE

$[0]$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(x)}{x}$

$[\infty]$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2}{e^x}$

$[0 \infty]$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow +0} \ln(1/x) \cdot x$

$[\infty - \infty]$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} e^x - x^x$

$[0^0]$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x^x$

$[\infty^0]$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi/2^-} \tan(x)^{\cos(x)}$

$[1^\infty]$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (1 + 1/x)^x$

Theorem 1 First L'Hopital Rule

Let g, f be DIFF in (a, b) and $c \in (a, b)$, $g'(x) \neq 0$, for $x \in (a, b) \setminus \{c\}$. Then if

$$* \lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = 0 \text{ and } \lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x) = 0$$

$$* \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)} = L \quad L \in \mathbb{R} \text{ or } \pm \infty$$

$$\text{then } \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = L$$

- The Theorem also holds, when $x \rightarrow c^-$ or $x \rightarrow c^+$

a) f, g should be DIFF on (a, c) or (c, b) respectively

b) Also holds when $c = \pm \infty$

- Multiple Applications of L'Hopital rule

In some cases $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$ is also $[0]$. However we can try to apply L'Hopital $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f''(x)}{g''(x)}$, and if exists an L , $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)} = L$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = L$. We can apply the rule arbitrary many times.

$$\text{ex. } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2 \sin(x) - \sin(2x)}{2e^x - 2 - 2x - x^2} \quad [0]$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2 \cos(x) - 2 \cos(2x)}{2e^x - 2 - 2x} \quad [0]$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-2 \sin(x) + 4 \sin(2x)}{2e^x - 2} \quad [0]$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-2 \sin(x) + 8 \cos(2x)}{2e^x} = \frac{-2 + 8}{2} = \underline{\underline{3}}$$

Observation: • if $\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \neq [0]$ we cannot apply L'Hopital

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} \frac{x}{\ln(x)} \quad [1/0]$$

• If $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)}$ does not exist, it does not mean that there is no limit!

Theorem 2 Second L'Hopital Rule:

f, g are DIFF on (a, b) and $c \in (a, b)$, $g'(x) \neq 0$ on $(a, b) \setminus \{c\}$. Then if:

$$\bullet \lim_{x \rightarrow c} g'(x) = \pm \infty$$

$$\bullet \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)} = L \quad L \in \mathbb{R} \text{ or } \pm \infty$$

$$\text{then: } \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = L$$

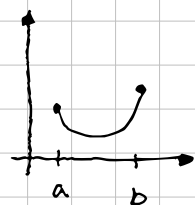
$$\text{ex. } \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{x^2}{e^x} \quad [\infty]$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{2x}{e^x} \quad [\infty]$$

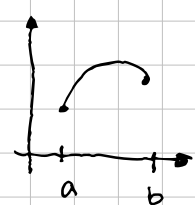
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{2}{e^x} = 0 \Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{x^2}{e^x} = 0$$

→ 11.3 Convex and Concave Functions

Graphical:



Convex



concave

A function is

... convex on (a, b) if f' exists on (a, b) and is increasing.

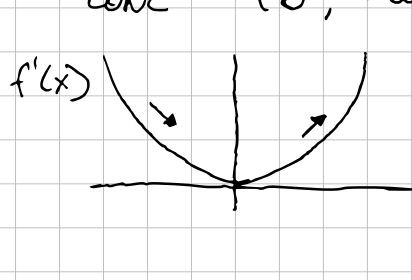
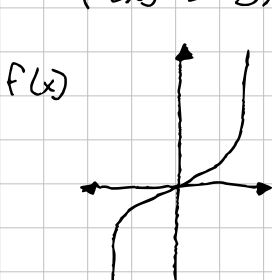
... concave on (a, b) if f' exists on (a, b) and is decreasing.

$$\text{ex. } f(x) = x^3$$

$$f'(x) = 3x^2$$

$$\text{convex } (-\infty, 0) \searrow$$

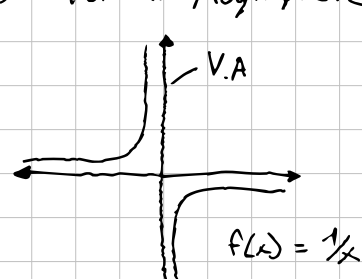
$$\text{concave } (0, +\infty) \nearrow$$



→ 11.3 Asymptotes

Idea: Function approaches a line at point or $\pm \infty$

a) Vertical Asymptote

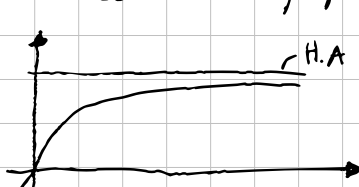


$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x) = +\infty$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{x} = +\infty$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{1}{x} = -\infty$$

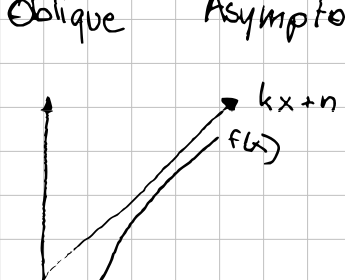
b) Horizontal Asymptote



$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = L_1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = L_2$$

c) Oblique Asymptote



$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \pm \infty} [f(x) - (kx + n)] = 0$$

ex.



$$f(x) = \frac{x^2+1}{x}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) - x$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2+1}{x} - x = 0$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x + \left(\frac{1}{x}\right) - x = 0 \quad \checkmark$$