

Practice w/ L'Hopital's Rule

1. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 5x}{x}$

2. $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos t - 1}{e^t - t - 1}$

3. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\ln x)^{1/x}$

4. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (\sin x) \ln x$

$$1. \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 5x}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(\cos 5x) \cdot 5}{1} = \frac{(\cos 0) \cdot 5}{1} = 5$$

" $\frac{0}{0}$ "

$$2. \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos t - 1}{e^t - t - 1} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{-\sin t}{e^t - 1} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{-\cos t}{e^t} = \frac{-\cos 0}{e^0} = -1$$

" $\frac{1-1}{1-0-1}$ " = " $\frac{0}{0}$ "

" $\frac{0}{0}$ " again

3. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\ln x)^{1/x} = L = 1$

$$\ln \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\ln x)^{1/x} \right) = \ln L$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \ln \left((\ln x)^{1/x} \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{x} (\ln \ln x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln(\ln x)}{x}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \ln((\ln x)^x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{x} \ln(\ln x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln \ln x}{x}$$

" $\frac{\infty}{\infty}$ "

L'Hop.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{\ln x}\right) \cdot \frac{1}{x}}{1} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{x \ln x} = 0 \Rightarrow \ln L = 0$$

$\frac{1}{\text{Bigger + bigger}}$

$$L = e^0 = 1.$$

$$e^{\ln L} = e^0$$

4. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (\sin x) \ln x$

" $0 \cdot (-\infty)$ "

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\ln x}{(1/\sin x)}$$

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$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\ln x}{(\sin x)^{-1}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{(1/x)}{-(\sin x)^{-2} \cos x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{-\sin^2 x}{x \cos x}$$

" $\frac{-\infty}{\infty}$ " ind. form.

$\frac{1}{\text{small}}$

" $\frac{0}{0}$ "

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

I don't like this.
there is probably
an easier way.

$$\left(\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\sin x}{x} \right) \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-\sin x}{\cos x} \right)$$

$$1 \cdot \frac{-0}{1} = 0.$$

examples

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{x^2+x} - x = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{\sqrt{x^2+x} - x}{1} \right) \left(\frac{\sqrt{x^2+x} + x}{\sqrt{x^2+x} + x} \right)$$

$\infty - \infty$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(x^2+x) - x^2}{\sqrt{x^2+x} + x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2+x} + x}$$

$= \dots$ L'hôp $\frac{\infty}{\infty}$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x^2 (\ln x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\ln x}{x^{-2}} \dots \text{L'hôp}$$

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

$$\ln \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x^x \right) = \ln L$$

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$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \ln(x^x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x \ln x = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\ln x}{x^{-1}} = \dots$$

$0 \cdot (-\infty)$ $\frac{-\infty}{\infty}$ L'hôp \dots

Optimization

Local extrema can only happen at critical points:
crit pt: $f'(x)$ is either 0 or not defined.

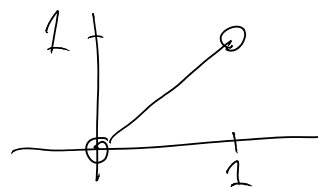
Extrema are therefore either

- loc extrema (crit pts) or
- happen on boundary, (end pt)

Closed interval theorem:

If $f(x)$ is a continuous function on a closed interval $[a, b]$ then $f(x)$ must have a minimum & maximum value.

non-example: $f(x) = x$ on $(0, 1)$



So, to find min & max values for fns on closed intervals.

Choices

1. take = sign dot for $f'(x)$
(might tell us everything)

2. check all crit pts & endpts, and see what the biggest & smallest values are.

3. Some combination of 1 & 2.

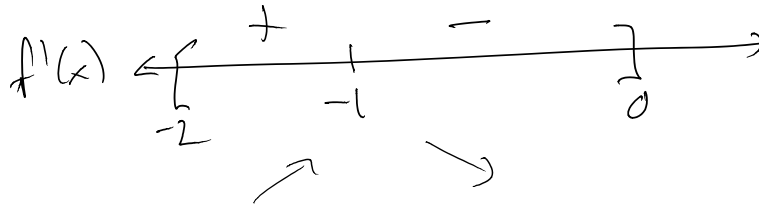
(prob 11)

ex: $f(x) = -3(x+1)^{2/3}$, $-2 \leq x \leq 0$ (closed interval)

find min & max

$$f'(x) = -3(2/3)(x+1)^{-1/3} = -2 \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{x+1}} = -\frac{2}{\sqrt[3]{x+1}}$$

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$$f(-1) = \max!$$

$$f(-1) = -3(-1+1)^{2/3} = 0$$

min either $f(-2)$ or $f(0)$

$$f(-2) = -3(-2+1)^{2/3} = -3$$

$$f(0) = -3(1)^{2/3} = -3$$