Chapter 1

Introduction

1.1 What is analysis?

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- Analysis: "The rigorous study of [mathematical] objects, with a focus on trying to pin down precisely and accurately the qualitative and quantitative behavior of those objects" (1).
- Real analysis: "The analysis of the real numbers, sequences and series of real numbers, and real-valued functions" (1).
- Real analysis is the theoretical foundation for calculus.
- Calculus: "The collection of computational algorithms which one uses to manipulate functions" (1).
- Lists questions that can be answered with real analysis (motivation for studying it).

1.2 Why do analysis?

• Lists examples of contradictions in naïve calculus that must be resolved (and can be resolved with real analysis).