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Math 1010C

Tutorial-3

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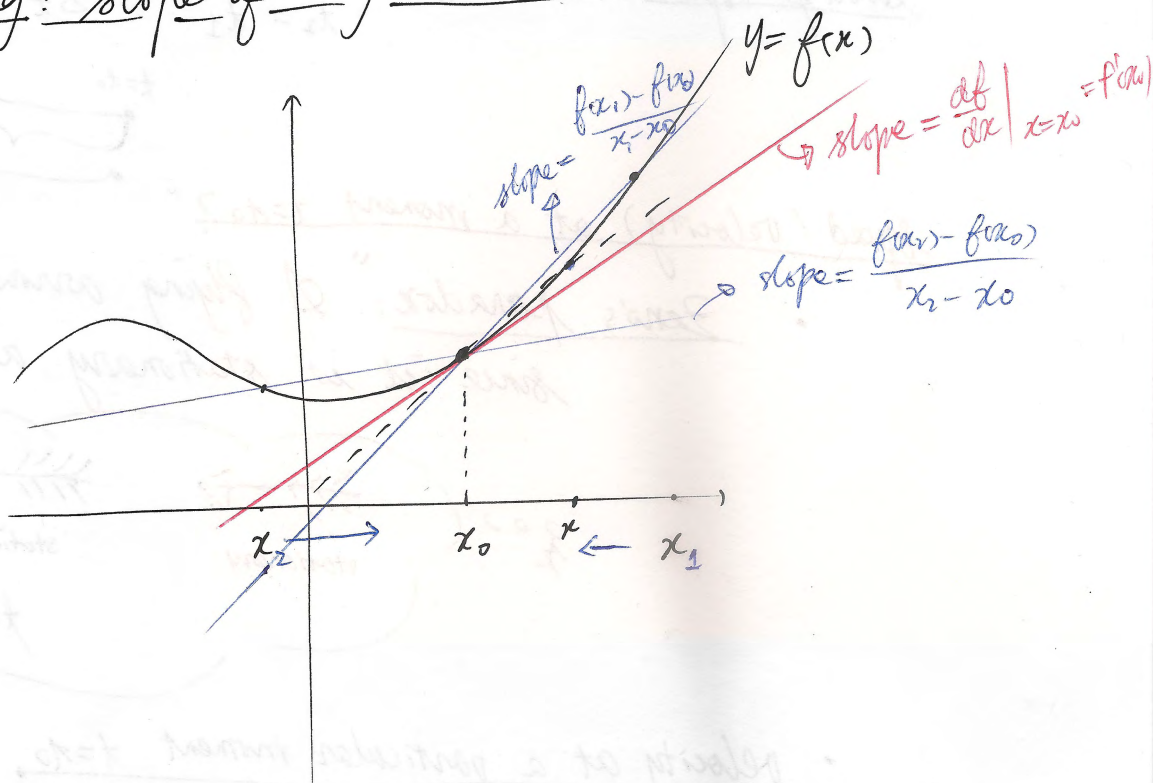
- Derivatives: WHAT is it & WHY it is useful;
- Practice with limits & computation of derivatives;

Derivatives:  $y = f(x)$ , its derivatives at  $x_0$  is defined if

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f(x) - f(x_0)}{x - x_0} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x_0+h) - f(x_0)}{h} \quad \exists$$

& denote this number  $y'(x_0) = f'(x_0) = \frac{dy}{dx} \Big|_{x=x_0} = \frac{df}{dx} \Big|_{x=x_0}$ ;

• Geometric meaning: slope of tangent line at  $x = x_0$ :



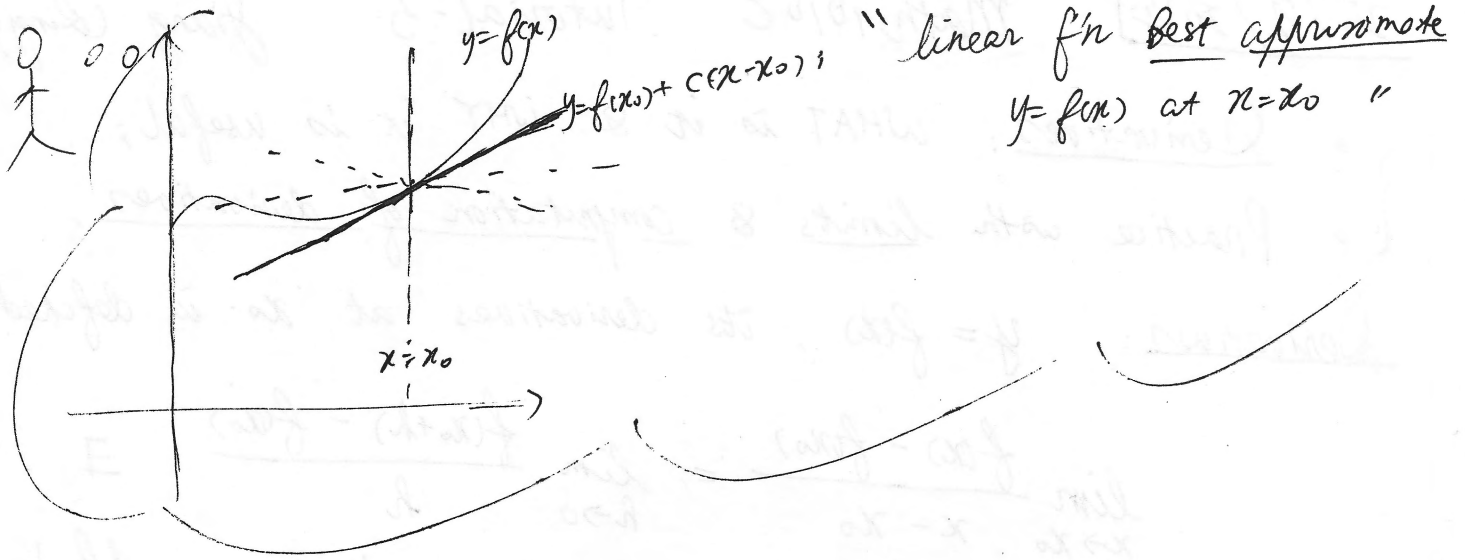
• Interpretation I: linearization of function at a point  $x = x_0$ ;

$$f(x) \approx f(x_0) + f'(x_0)(x - x_0) \quad \text{as } x \text{ near } x_0.$$

more precisely,  $f'(x_0) = C$  if and only if  $\exists$   $\alpha(x)$  st

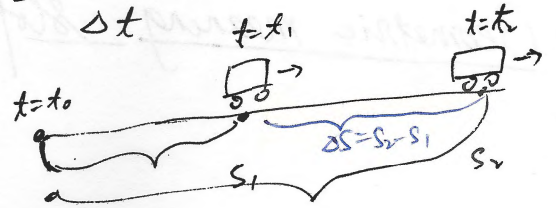
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} f(x) = f(x_0) + C(x - x_0) + \alpha(x - x_0); \\ \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\alpha(h)}{h} \text{ exists and } = 0; \end{array} \right.$$

often denoted  $\alpha(x - x_0)$   
(or sometimes  $O((x - x_0)^2)$ )  
under certain conditions.



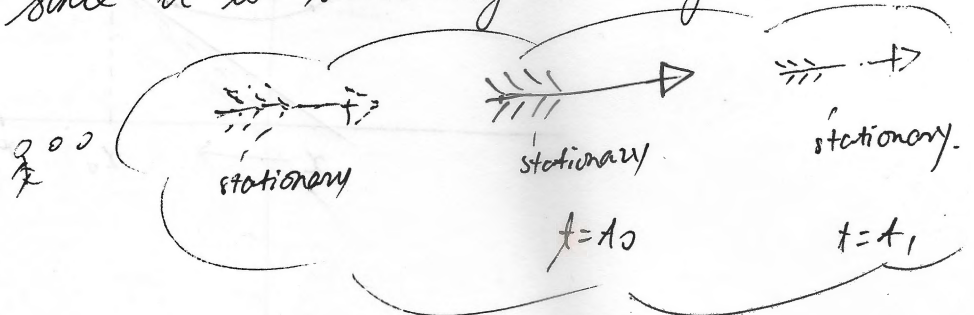
Understanding Derivatives: Speed (or velocity) at a moment.

Average speed : 
$$\bar{v} = \frac{s_2 - s_1}{t_2 - t_1} = \frac{\Delta s}{\Delta t}$$



speed (velocity) at a moment t=t\_0?

- Zeno's paradox: "A flying arrow does not move, since it is stationary at every moment."



- velocity at a particular moment t=t\_0, is defined to be

$$v|_{t=t_0} := \lim_{t \rightarrow t_0} \frac{s(t) - s(t_0)}{t - t_0} = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta s}{\Delta t};$$

measures the tendency of how "fast", how much distance the "arrow" ~~with~~ will travel at that particular moment ( $t=t_0$ ) as time goes on.

- Modern answer to Zeno's paradox:  
 Motion is possible, since although the arrow is stationary at every particular moment  $t=t_0$ , but the velocity at that moment is not zero ( $\frac{ds}{dt}|_{t=t_0} = v(t=t_0) \neq 0$ ).

WHY derivatives are useful?

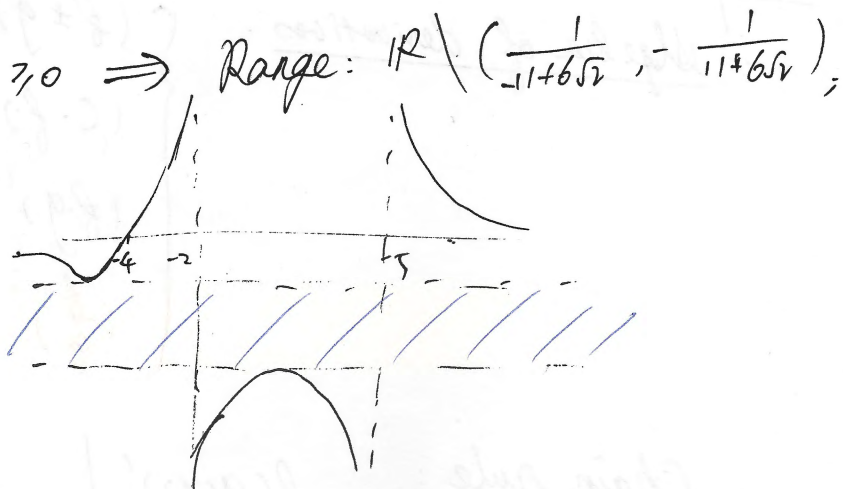
Illustrate with an example, one exercise from tutorial - 1, namely, we ask you to compute the range of the f'n

Supplementary Example. Not Compulsory.

$f(x) = \frac{x+4}{x^2-3x-10}$ ; (try to draw its rough picture).

we use let  $f(x) = \frac{1}{a}$  &  $\Delta \geq 0 \Rightarrow$  Range:  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \left( \frac{1}{-11+6\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{-11+6\sqrt{2}} \right)$ ,

& picture roughly (see next page for recalling this e.g.)



Now we use our new tool derivatives to deduce this again:

$f(x) = \frac{x+4}{x^2-3x-10}$ ;

$f'(x) = \frac{1 \cdot (x^2-3x-10) - (x+4)(2x-3)}{(x^2-3x-10)^2}$ ;

$= -\frac{x^2+8x-2}{(x^2-3x-10)^2}$ ;

$\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)' = \frac{f'g - f \cdot g'}{g^2}$

Solve  $x^2+8x-2=0 \Leftrightarrow (x+4)^2=18 \Leftrightarrow x = -4 \pm 3\sqrt{2}$ ;

& compute  $f(-4+3\sqrt{2}) = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{-11(-4+3\sqrt{2})-8} = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{36-33\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{6\sqrt{2}-11}$ ;

$f(-4-3\sqrt{2}) = \frac{-3\sqrt{2}}{-11(-4-3\sqrt{2})-8} = \frac{-3\sqrt{2}}{36+33\sqrt{2}} = \frac{-1}{6\sqrt{2}+11}$ ;

$x^2+8x-2=0$   
 $\Leftrightarrow x^2-3x-10 = -11x-8$

$x$	$-\infty$	$(-\infty, -4-3\sqrt{2})$	$-4-3\sqrt{2}$	$(-4-3\sqrt{2}, -2)$	$-2$	$(-2, -4+3\sqrt{2})$	$-4+3\sqrt{2}$	$(-4+3\sqrt{2}, 5)$	$5$	$(5, \infty)$
$f'(x)$		$< 0$	$0$	$> 0$	$\parallel$	$> 0$	$0$	$< 0$	$\parallel$	$\infty$
$f(x)$	$0$	$\nearrow$	$-\frac{1}{6\sqrt{2}+11}$	$\nearrow$	$+\infty$	$\nearrow$	$\frac{1}{6\sqrt{2}-11}$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$TA_{3-2}$

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Recall. From Tutorial-1.

$$1(0) \quad f(x) = \frac{x+4}{x^2-3x-10};$$

maximal domain is  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \{-2, 5\}$ ;

for the range,  $f$  can achieve 0:  $x = -4$ ;

Can  $f$  achieve  $a \neq 0$ ?

i.e.  $\exists? x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{-2, 5\}$ , s.t.  $\frac{x+4}{x^2-3x-10} = a$ .

$$\Leftrightarrow x^2 - 3x - 10 = \frac{x}{a} + \frac{4}{a}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x^2 - (3 + \frac{1}{a})x - 10 - \frac{4}{a} = 0$$

this has solution iff

$$\Delta = (3 + \frac{1}{a})^2 - 4(-10 - \frac{4}{a})$$

$$= \frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{22}{a} + 49$$

$$= (\frac{1}{a} + 11)^2 + \underbrace{49 - 121}_{(-72)} \geq 0.$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \left| \frac{1}{a} + 11 \right| \geq \sqrt{72} = 6\sqrt{2};$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{a} + 11 \geq 6\sqrt{2} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{1}{a} + 11 \leq -6\sqrt{2};$$

$$\Leftrightarrow a \in (-\infty, \frac{1}{-11+6\sqrt{2}}] \cup [-\frac{1}{11+6\sqrt{2}}, 0) \cup (0, +\infty)$$

Hence the range is

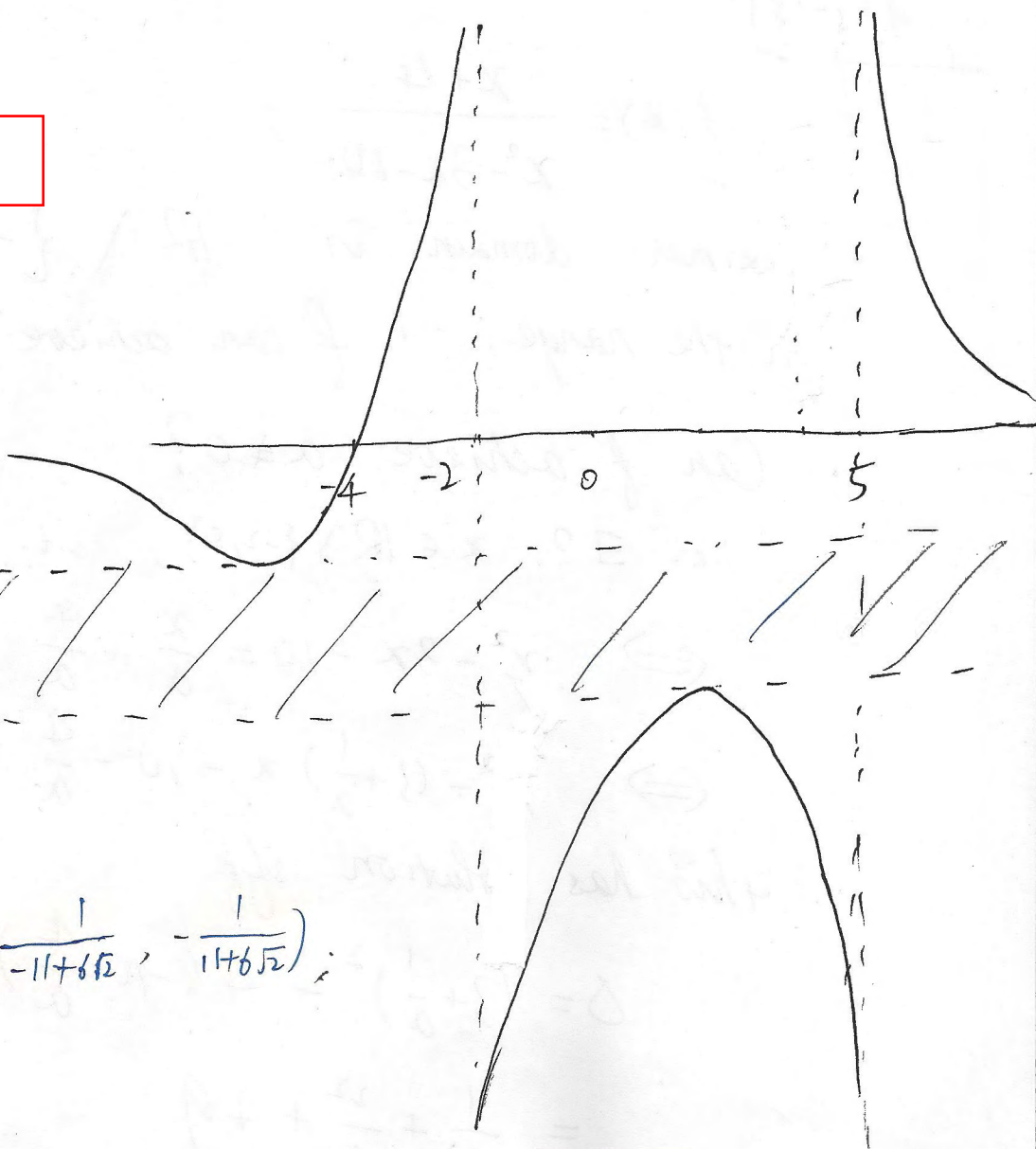
$$f(\mathbb{R} \setminus \{-2, 5\}) = \mathbb{R} \setminus \left( \frac{1}{-11+6\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{11+6\sqrt{2}} \right)$$

□

Rough graph of (c)

Recall. From Tutorial-1.

$$\frac{1}{11+6\sqrt{2}}$$
$$\frac{1}{-11+6\sqrt{2}}$$



Range:  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \left( \frac{1}{-11+6\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{11+6\sqrt{2}} \right)$

□ of  $f(x)$ .

Recall. From Tutorial-1.

Please agree with the graph, & known: at which pt it reach local maximum or minimum;

Review

Compute derivatives: Basic Rules:

Algebra of derivatives:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} (f \pm g)' = f' \pm g'; \\ (c \cdot f)' = c \cdot f', \quad c = \text{const}; \\ (f \cdot g)' = f' \cdot g + f \cdot g'; \\ \left(\frac{f}{g}\right)' = \frac{f' \cdot g - f \cdot g'}{g^2}; \end{array} \right.$$

Chain rule:  $f(g(x))' \big|_{x=x_0} = f'(g(x_0)) \cdot g'(x_0);$

Review

Rules of limits

(H1)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \phi(x) = A, \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \psi(x) = B \Rightarrow A = B$  (uniqueness)  
 $\odot = +, -, \times;$

(H2)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} (\phi \odot \eta)(x) = A \odot B$  provided  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \phi(x) = A,$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \eta(x) = B$  & when  $\odot = \div, B \neq 0;$  (arithmetic)

(H3)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} k \eta(x) = k \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \eta(x);$

(H4)  $f(x) \leq g(x) \Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) \leq \lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x)$  provided they exist;

(Comparison)

(H5)  $f(x) \leq g(x) \leq h(x)$  &  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} h(x) = L,$   
then  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x)$  exists, &  $= L.$  (Sandwich thm)  
 $c \in (a, b)$

Punctured interval lemma:

$f(x) = g(x), \forall x \in (a, b) \setminus \{c\};$

Then  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x);$

# Supplementary Exercise: Chapter 2: Derivatives

1. Evaluate the following limits:

(a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} (x^3 - 5x + 4)$ ;      (d).  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^2 + 3x - 10}{x^2 - x - 2}$ ;

(e)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{2 - \sqrt{x}}{4 - x}$ ;      (k).  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left( \frac{1}{2x} - \frac{1}{x^2 + 2x} \right)$ ;

3. Use definition to evaluate the derivatives of the following f'ns:

(a)  $y = 3x - 2$ ;      (c):  $y = x^4$ ;

(h)\*  $y = \cos x$ ;      (j)\*  $y = e^x$ ;

5. Find the (first) derivatives of the following functions:

(a)  $y = x^3 - 4x + 3$ ,

(b)  $y = \sqrt{x} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$ ;

(h)  $y = \frac{3x - 4}{x + 2}$ ;

(l)  $y = (x^2 + 1)^7$ ;

(n)\*  $y = \cos(x^2)$ ;

(p)\*  $y = \ln(\ln x)$ ;

Q.O.O

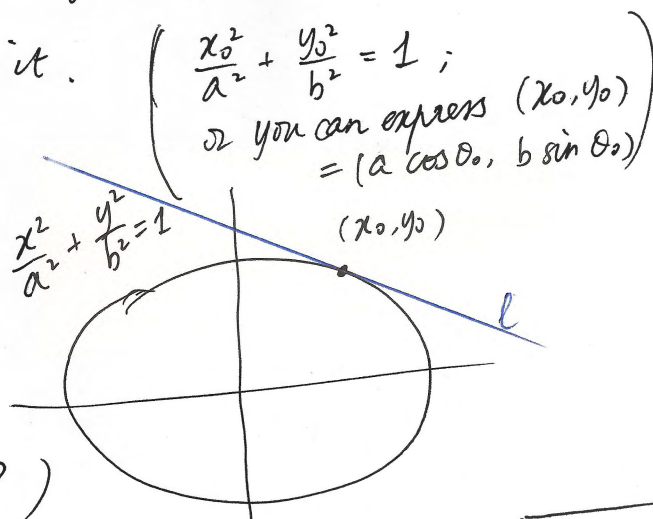
Think about: How can one compute the derivatives of the following f'ns:

(I).  $y = x^x$ ; (& then  $y = x^{x^x}$ ?)

(II). Consider the ellipsoid  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ ; ( $a > b > 0$ )

& a point  $(x_0, y_0)$  on it.  
Can you compute the slope of the tangent line at  $(x_0, y_0)$ ?

(& further, compute the equation of the tangent line  $l$ ?)



talk about these two next time.

## Solutions:

1. (a).  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} (x^3 - 5x + 4)$

Use (H2):  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} (x \cdot x \cdot x - 5 \cdot x + 4) = 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 - 5 \cdot 2 + 4$   
 $= 8 - 10 + 4 = 2;$   $\square$

(d).  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^2 + 3x - 10}{x^2 - x - 2}$

Use (H2)? :  $\frac{2^2 + 3 \cdot 2 - 10}{2^2 - 2 - 2} = \frac{10 - 10}{4 - 2 - 2} = \frac{0}{0} \Rightarrow$  can not use (H2).

But  $\frac{x^2 + 3x - 10}{x^2 - x - 2} = \frac{(x-2)(x+5)}{(x-2)(x+1)} = \frac{x+5}{x+1}$

Now use (H2)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} (\dots) = \frac{2+5}{2+1} = \frac{7}{3};$   $\square$

(e).  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{2 - \sqrt{x}}{4 - x}$

can not use (H2) directly. But  $\frac{2 - \sqrt{x}}{4 - x} = \frac{(2 - \sqrt{x})}{(2 - \sqrt{x})(2 + \sqrt{x})} = \frac{1}{2 + \sqrt{x}}$

then the limit is  $\frac{1}{2 + \sqrt{4}} = \frac{1}{4};$   $\square$

(k)  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \left( \frac{1}{2t} - \frac{1}{t^2 + 2t} \right)$

$(\infty - \infty)$ , can not use (H2) directly.

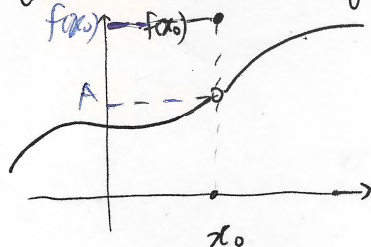
But  $\frac{1}{2t} - \frac{1}{t^2 + 2t} = \frac{t^2 + 2t - 2t}{2t(t^2 + 2t)} = \frac{t^2}{2t \cdot t \cdot (t+2)} = \frac{1}{2(t+2)}$

then use (H2), get  $\frac{1}{4};$   $\square$

Remark:  $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x)$  has nothing to do with the value of  $f(x_0)$ .

(Punctured interval lemma):

$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x)$  is still A.





3. Use def'n of derivatives to compute " of :

(a)  $y = 3x - 2$  ;

$$f'(x_0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f(x) - f(x_0)}{x - x_0} = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{(3x - 2) - (3x_0 - 2)}{x - x_0} = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{3(x - x_0)}{x - x_0}$$

$$= 3 ;$$

□

(c)  $y = x^4$  ;

$$f'(x_0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f(x) - f(x_0)}{x - x_0} = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{x^4 - x_0^4}{x - x_0}$$

since  $x^4 - x_0^4 = (x - x_0)(x^3 + x^2x_0 + x \cdot x_0^2 + x_0^3)$

hence use (H2) ,  $f'(x_0) = x_0^3 + x_0^2 \cdot x_0 + x_0 \cdot x_0^2 + x_0^3 = 4x_0^3$  ;

$$\Rightarrow f'(x) = 4x^3 ;$$

□

(h)\*  $y = \cos x$  ;

Method I . textbook (2.8) .

$$\cos(x+h) = \cos h \cos x - \sin h \sin x ;$$

$$(\cos x)' = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos(x+h) - \cos x}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(\cos h - 1) \cos x - \sin h \sin x}{h}$$

$$= 0 \cdot \cos x - 1 \cdot \sin x = -\sin x ;$$

or use geometric picture , or for  $0 < h < \frac{\pi}{2}$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} h - \frac{h^3}{6} < \sin h < h \\ -\frac{h^2}{2} < \cos h - 1 < -\frac{h^2}{2} + \frac{h^4}{24} \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin h}{h} = 1 ;$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos h - 1}{h} = 0 ;$$

Method II (formally) .

$$y = 1 - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^4}{24} - \frac{x^6}{6!} + \dots$$

$$y' = -x + \frac{1}{3!} x^3 - \frac{1}{5!} x^5 + \dots$$

$$= -\left( x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \dots \right)$$

$$= -\sin x ;$$

□

3. (j)<sup>x</sup>  $y = e^x$ ;

Method I. use  $e^{x+h} = e^x \cdot e^h$ ;  $\frac{e^{x+h} - e^x}{h} = e^x \frac{e^h - 1}{h}$ ;

then  $e^h = 1 + h + \frac{h^2}{2} + \dots$   $\frac{e^h - 1}{h} = 1 + \frac{h}{2} + \dots \rightarrow 1$ ;

$\Rightarrow \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{x+h} - e^x}{h} = e^x$ ;

Method II.  $e^x = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \dots$

$(e^x)' = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots = e^x$ ;

□

5. (a)  $y = x^3 - 4x + 3$ ;

$y' = 3x^2 - 4$ ;

□

(b)  $y = \sqrt{x} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$  ( $x > 0$ ), use  $y = x^{\frac{1}{2}} + x^{-\frac{1}{2}}$  then

$y' = \frac{1}{2} \cdot x^{\frac{1}{2}-1} + (-\frac{1}{2}) \cdot x^{-\frac{1}{2}-1} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x^3}}$ ;

(OR  $(\frac{1}{\sqrt{x}})' = \frac{0 \cdot \sqrt{x} - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}}{(\sqrt{x})^2} = -\frac{1}{2(\sqrt{x})^3}$ ;) □

(h)  $y = \frac{3x-4}{x+2}$ ;

then  $y' = \frac{3 \cdot (x+2) - (3x-4) \cdot 1}{(x+2)^2} = \frac{10}{(x+2)^2}$ ;

OR  $y = \frac{3x+6-10}{x+2} = 3 - \frac{10}{x+2} \Rightarrow y' = \frac{10}{(x+2)^2}$ ;

□

(l)  $y = (x^2+1)^7$ ; use chain rule

$y' = 7(x^2+1)^6 \cdot (x^2+1)' = 14(x^2+1)^6 x$ ;

□

$$(n)^* \quad y = \cos(x^2);$$

$$y' = -\sin(x^2) \cdot 2x = -2x \sin(x^2); \quad \square$$

$$(p)^* \quad y = \ln(\ln x);$$

$$y' = \frac{1}{\ln x} \cdot (\ln x)' = \frac{1}{x \ln x}; \quad \square$$

think about!

(I)  $y = x^x$  then ... tell you next time ...

(II)

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