

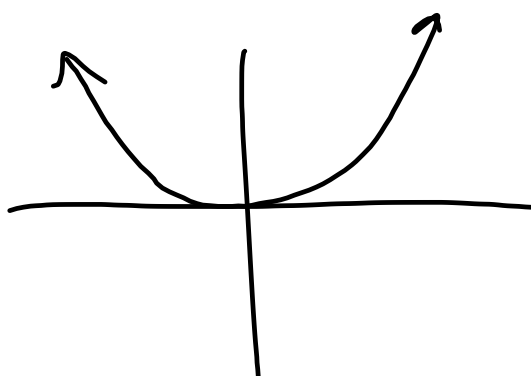
differentiability implies continuity

f is diff. on $[a, b]$

$$f(x) = x^4$$

$$f'(x) = 4x^3$$

$$f''(x) = 12x^2$$



7.7 Indeterminate Forms & L'Hôpital's Rule

$\frac{0}{0}$, $\frac{\infty}{\infty}$, $0 \cdot \infty$, 1^∞ , 0^0 , and $\infty - \infty$ are called indeterminate forms.

L'Hôpital's Rule:

Let f and g be functions that are differentiable on an open interval (a, b) containing c , except possibly at c itself. Assume that $g'(x) \neq 0$ for all x in (a, b) , except possibly at c itself. If the limit of $f(x)/g(x)$ as x approaches c produces an indeterminate form $0/0$, ∞/∞ , $(-\infty)/\infty$, or $\infty/(-\infty)$, then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \underline{7.7} \\ 12. \lim_{x \rightarrow -1} \frac{x^2 - x - 2}{x + 1} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow -1} \frac{2x - 1}{1} = \boxed{-3} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow -1} \frac{(x-2)(x+1)}{x+1}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow -1} (x-2) = -3$$

$$16. \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{e^x - (1+x)}{x^3}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{e^x - 1}{3x^2}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{e^x}{6x} = \boxed{+\infty}$$

$$18. \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\ln x^2}{x^2 - 1}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\frac{1}{x^2} \cdot 2x}{2x}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{1}{x^2}$$

$$= \boxed{1}$$

$$20. \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin ax}{\sin bx}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{a \cdot \cos ax}{b \cdot \cos bx}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{a}{b}}$$

$$28. \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2}{e^x}$$

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

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

$$36. \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^{x/2}}{x}$$

$$\frac{x}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot x$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{2} \cdot e^{x/2}}{1} = \boxed{\infty}$$

$$38. \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x^3 \cot x$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{x^3}{\tan x}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{3x^2}{\sec^2 x} = \boxed{0}$$

$$40. \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x \tan \frac{1}{x} \quad \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)' = (x^{-1})' = -x^{-2} = -\frac{1}{x^2}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\tan \frac{1}{x}}{\frac{1}{x}}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\sec^2 \frac{1}{x})(-\frac{1}{x^2})}{-\frac{1}{x^2}}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \sec^2 \frac{1}{x} = \boxed{1}$$

$$42. \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (e^x + x)^{2/x}$$

$$y = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (e^x + x)^{2/x}$$

$$\ln y = \ln \left[\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (e^x + x)^{2/x} \right]$$

$$\ln y = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \ln (e^x + x)^{2/x}$$

$$\ln y = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{2}{x} \ln(e^x + x)$$

$$\ln y = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\ln(e^x + x)}{\frac{x}{2}}$$

$$\ln y = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\frac{1}{e^x + x} \cdot (e^x + 1)}{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\ln y = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{2(e^x + 1)}{e^x + x}$$

$$\ln y = 4$$

$$e^{\ln y} = e^4$$

$$y = e^4$$

$$44. \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^x$$

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

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

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

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

$$\ln y = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{x}}$$

$$\ln y = 1$$

$$y = e$$

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

$$\ln [f(x)]^p = p \cdot \ln [f(x)]$$

$$y = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (\sin x)^x$$

$$\ln y = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x \ln(\sin x)$$

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

$$\ln y = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\frac{1}{\sin x} \cdot \cos x}{-\frac{1}{x^2}}$$

$$\ln y = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (-x^2 \cot x)$$

$$\ln y = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{-x^2}{\tan x}$$

$$\ln y = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{-2x}{\sec^2 x}$$

$$\ln y = 0 \quad \log_a b = c \Leftrightarrow a^c = b$$

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

$$y = 1$$

Homework #9

(due Fri, 10/17)

- 3.5 #15-31odd - limits at infinity
- 3.7 #3,5,17,23,29 - optimization
- 7.7 #11-35odd - l'Hopital's rule
- 7.7 #37-53odd - l'Hopital's rule with logs

