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 HW

Review  $\epsilon$ - $\delta$ , (Sometimes there is an  $N$ )

①  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L$

$\epsilon$ - $\delta$

given  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists a  $\delta > 0$  such that  
 if  $0 < |x - a| < \delta$  then  $|f(x) - L| < \epsilon$

②  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = L$

$\epsilon$ - $N$

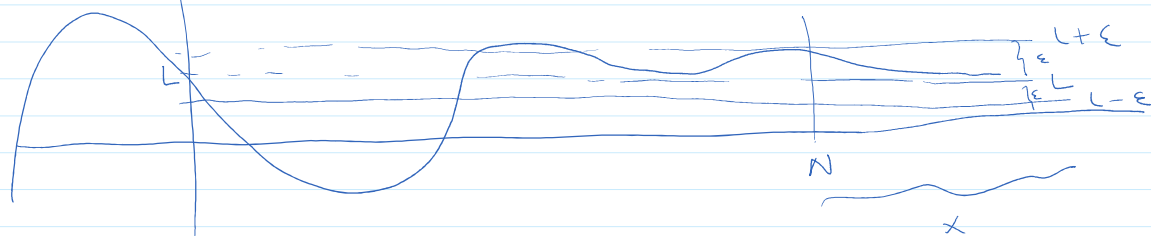
given  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists an  $N$  such that  
 if  $x > N$  then  $|f(x) - L| < \epsilon$

③  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = L$

$\epsilon$ - $N$

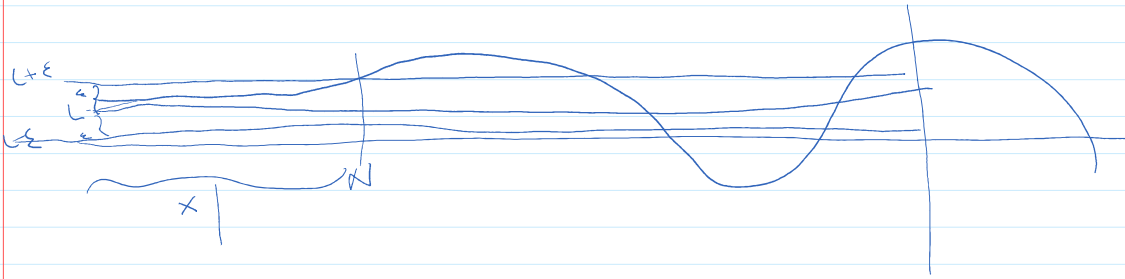
given  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists an  $N$  such that  
 if  $x < -N$  then  $|f(x) - L| < \epsilon$

Sketch for ②



If we make  $\epsilon$  smaller  
 you need  
 $\leftarrow$  bigger  $N$

sketch for ③



If we make  $\epsilon$  smaller you need a smaller  $N$

use  $\epsilon-N$  (definition)

show  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3x^2 - x - 2}{5x^2 + 4x + 1} = \frac{3}{5} = 0.6$

given  $\epsilon = 0.1$

pt. given  $\epsilon > 0$  find  $N$  such that

If  $x > N$  then  $\left| \frac{3x^2 - x - 2}{5x^2 + 4x + 1} - 0.6 \right| < 0.1$

$$-0.1 < \frac{3x^2 - x - 2}{5x^2 + 4x + 1} - 0.6 < 0.1$$

$$-0.1 + 0.6 < \frac{3x^2 - x - 2}{5x^2 + 4x + 1} < 0.1 + 0.6$$

$$0.5 < \frac{3x^2 - x - 2}{5x^2 + 4x + 1} < 0.7$$

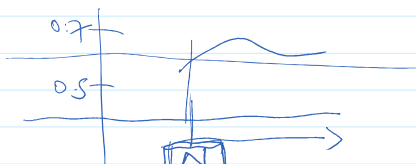
find  $x$  such that the function lies between 0.5 and 0.7

using a graphing calculator (desmos)

$x > 7$

$N = 7$

we see  $0.5 < \frac{3x^2 - x - 2}{5x^2 + 4x + 1} < 0.7$



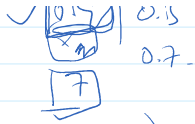
x	f(x)
7	0.49
8	0.58
9	0.62
10	0.65
11	0.67

Exercise

find an  $N$  when  $\epsilon = 0.01$

(give me feedback tomorrow)

$N = 1$



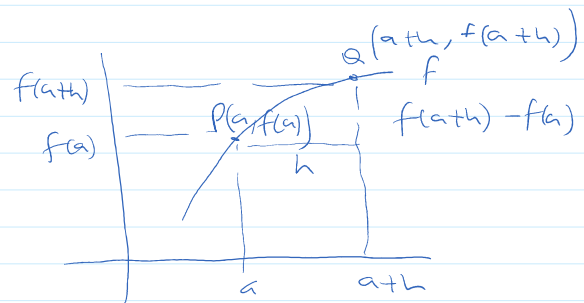
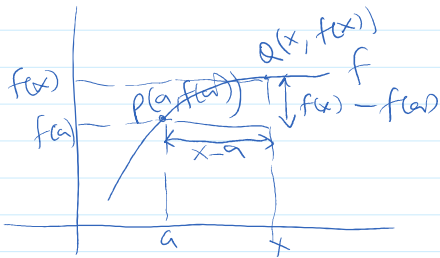
## 2.7 Derivatives and Rates of change

Definition

The tangent line to the curve  $y = f(x)$  at the point  $P(a, f(a))$  is the line through  $P$  with slope

$$m = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a}$$

$$m = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h}$$



$$h = x - a$$

$$a + h = x$$

Exercise

find the equation of the tangent line to the hyperbola

$$f(x) = y = \frac{3}{x} \quad \text{at the point } (3, 1)$$

$$a = 3$$

$$f(a) = f(3) = \frac{3}{3} = 1$$

$$f(a+h) = f(3+h) = \frac{3}{3+h}$$

Solution

$$m = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{3}{3+h} - 1}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{3 - (3+h)}{\frac{3+h}{h}}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{3 - (3+h)}{h(3+h)}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cancel{3} - \cancel{3} - h}{h(3+h)}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-h}{h(3+h)}$$

$$m = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-1}{3+h} = -\frac{1}{3}$$

find the equation of the tangent line

Point-slope form  $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$

given  $(x_1, y_1) = (3, 1)$

$$m = -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$y - 1 = -\frac{1}{3}(x - 3)$$

$$3y - 3 = -x + 3$$

$$3y + x - 6 = 0$$

### Definition

Derivative of a function  $f$  at a point ' $a$ '

$$\textcircled{1} \quad f'(a) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad f'(a) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a}$$

### Exercise

... to show that

use definition (2) above to show that  
the derivative  $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$  at a point 'a'

$$is \quad f'(a) = -\frac{1}{2a^{3/2}}$$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$$

$$f(a) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{a} - \sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{x}\sqrt{a}}$$

Solution

$$f'(a) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}}}{x - a}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{\sqrt{a} - \sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{x}\sqrt{a}(x-a)}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{\sqrt{a} - \sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{ax}(x-a)} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{x}}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{a - x}{\sqrt{ax}(x-a)(\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{x})}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{-\cancel{(x-a)}}{\sqrt{ax}\cancel{(x-a)}(\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{x})}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{-1}{\sqrt{ax}(\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{x})}$$

$$= \frac{-1}{\sqrt{a \cdot a}(\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{a})}$$

$$= \frac{-1}{a \cdot 2\sqrt{a}}$$

$$= \frac{-1}{2a^1 \cdot a^{1/2}}$$

$$= \frac{-1}{2a^{1+1/2}}$$

$$\boxed{f'(a) = \frac{-1}{2a^{3/2}}}$$