

Differentiability and Continuity

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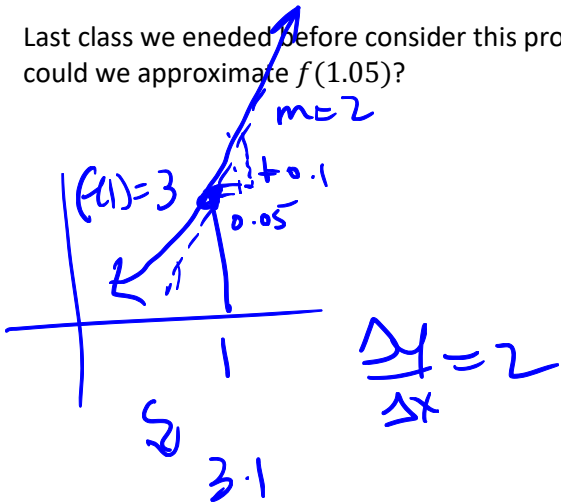
- Can determine if a function is differentiable based on its graph and using the limit definition.
- Understands why differentiability implies continuity.

Terminology:

- Local linearity
- Differentiable

$\sin x \approx x$ @ $x=0$

Last class we ended before consider this problem: Given that f is continuous and $f'(1) = 2$ and that $f(1) = 3$, how could we approximate $f(1.05)$?

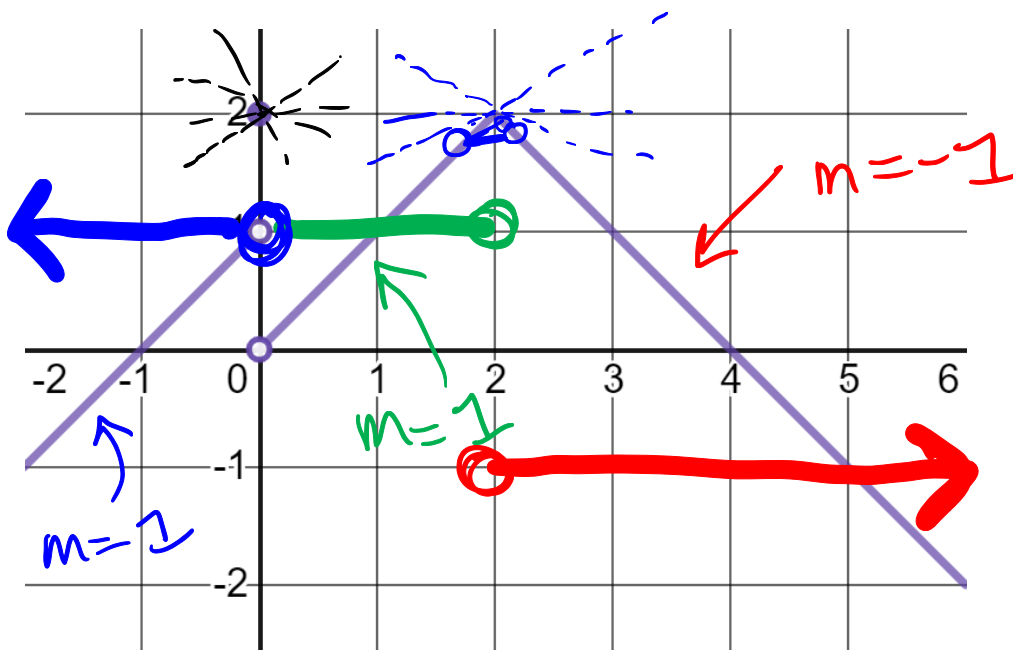


1.05 close to 1
 $\Rightarrow f(1.05)$ close to $f(1)$
 limit value
 b/c continuous
 \rightarrow use tangent line

$y = 2(x-1) + 3$ $x=1.05$
 $= 3.1$

The idea is that if we don't move far away, then the tangent line looks like the graph: That is the graph is locally linear if it has a derivative.

Consider the following graph of f , we want to find f'



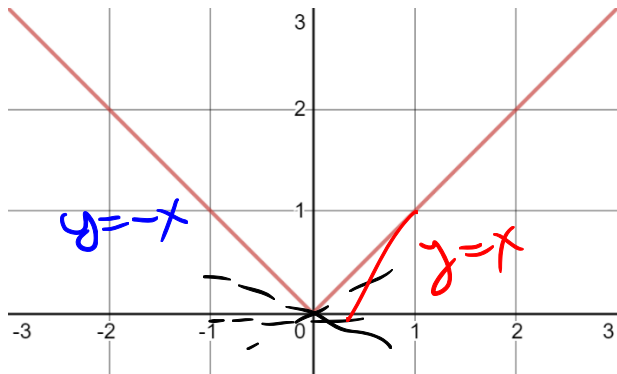
$f'(0)$, $f'(2)$ is undefined

We say a function is **differentiable** at $x = c$ if $f'(c)$ exists. This means the limits below exist

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

This leads us to a few conditions that would make the function NOT differentiable at a point.

1. Corner, such as $f(x) = |x|$ at $x = 0$



Goal show $f'(0)$ has a problem

Show $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c}$ when $c=0$

has a problem

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0}$$

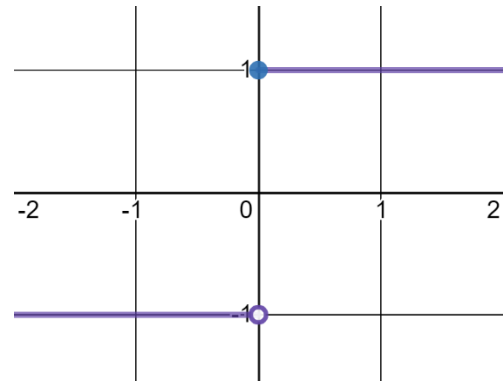
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x) - 0}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x)}{x}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{x}{x} = 1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{-x}{x} = -1$$

NOT The same

2. Jump, such as $g(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{|x|}{x}, & x \neq 0 \\ 1, & x = 0 \end{cases}$ at $x = 0$



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

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(h) - 1}{h}$$

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

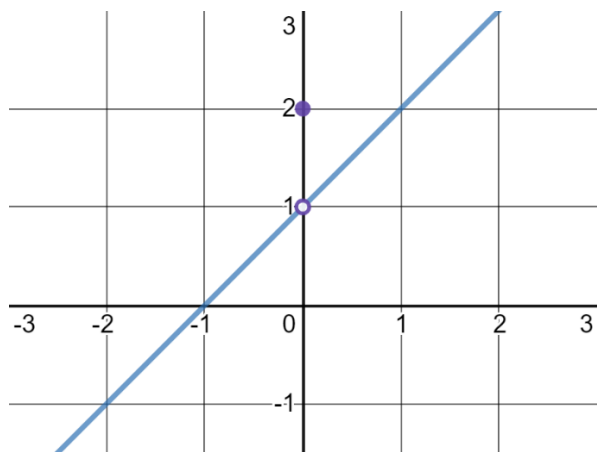
$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{-1-1}{h} = +\infty$$

NOT The same

$f'(0)$ undefined

3. Hole, such as

$$h(x) = \begin{cases} x+1, & x \neq 0 \\ 2, & x = 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{at } x = 0$$



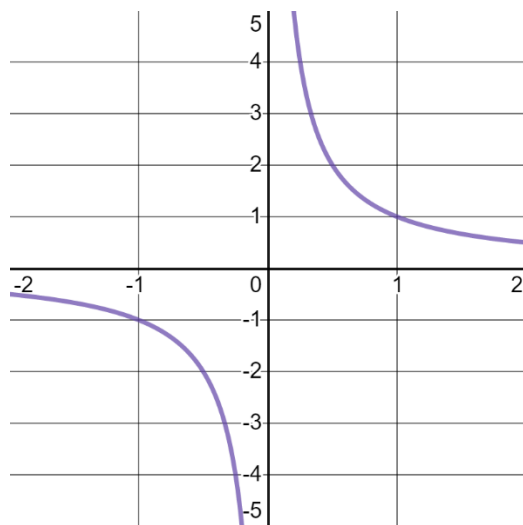
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{h(x) - h(0)}{x - 0}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x+1) - 2}{x}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x-1}{x}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{x-1}{x} = -\infty$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{x-1}{x} = +\infty$$

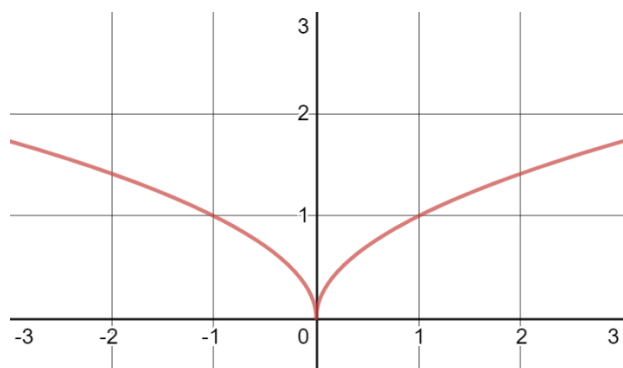
4. Asymptote, such as $k(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ at $x = 0$ 

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{k(x) - k(0)}{x - 0}$$

But $k(0)$ is undefined
so this limit makes
no sense.

$k'(0)$ is undefined.

5. Cusp, such as $p(x) = \sqrt{|x|}$ at $x = 0$



$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{p(x) - p(0)}{x - 0}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{|x|} - 0}{x}$$

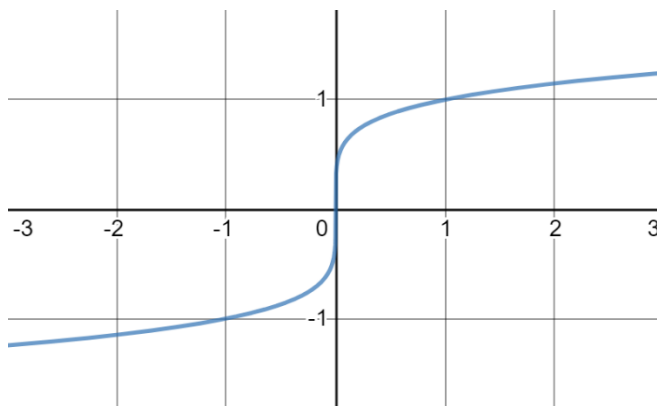
$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\sqrt{x}}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} = \infty$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{\sqrt{-x}}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\sqrt{x}}{-x} = -$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{-\sqrt{x}} = -\infty$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{|x|}}{x} \text{ DNE}$$

6. Vertical Tangent, such as $q(x) = \sqrt[5]{x}$ at $x = 0$



$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{q(x) - q(0)}{x - 0}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt[5]{x} - 0}{x}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{x^{4/5}} = \infty$$

So the slope is ∞
which means the slope
(i.e. $q'(0)$) is undefined.

A critical consequence of these cases is that: If a function is differentiable at $x = c$ is MUST be continuous at $x = c$.

Proof: If f is differentiable $\Rightarrow f$ is continuous

If f is NOT continuous $\Rightarrow f$ is NOT diff.

assume f is differentiable

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c} \in \mathbb{R} = f'(c)$$

Show that f is continuous

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

$$\equiv \lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) - f(c) = 0$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} (f(x) - f(c)) \cdot \frac{x-c}{x-c} = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x-c} \cdot (x-c)$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x-c} \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow c} (x-c)$$

$$= f'(c) \cdot 0 = 0 \quad \cup$$

□ QED

Differentiable is smooth



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Practice Problems:	2.4 #1-6 (select), 7, 8, 19-22 3.1 #2-10, 25
Textbook Readings:	Page 3.2
Workbook Practice:	Page 91-99
Next Day:	Online learning derivative rules (chapter 3 of the textbook and workbook)