

Lecture IV: § 2.5 Two trigonometric limits
 § 2.4 Rates of change & velocity

§1 More on limits

Properties (Limit laws) Assume $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L$ & $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = M$. Then

- (1) $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) \pm g(x) = L \pm M$
- (2) $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) g(x) = LM$
- (3) \forall any real number c , $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} c f(x) = cL$
- (4) If $M \neq 0$, then $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{L}{M}$

Proofs Next time (Appendix A2)

• Two trigonometric limits:

Ex 1: $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin h}{h} = ?$

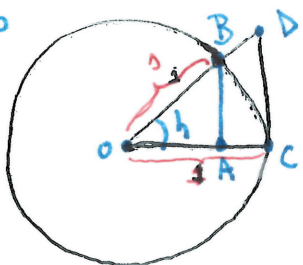


Note: $\sin(0) = 0$ so we have a $\frac{0}{0}$ - indeterminacy

Q: Do things cancel out, like $\frac{c \cdot x^2}{x}$, $\frac{c \cdot x}{x^2} \Rightarrow \frac{c \cdot x}{x}$?

• Use trigonometry in the unit circle

Say $h > 0$



$$\frac{AB}{1} = \sin(h)$$

$$\frac{CD}{1} = \tan(h)$$

$$\frac{OA}{1} = \cos(h)$$

Ingredients

- arc of circ = BC
- sector OBC of the circle
- 2 triangles $\triangle OAB$ & $\triangle OCD$

Area of $\triangle OBC$ = Area circle \cdot fraction of the circle = $\pi \cdot \frac{h}{2\pi} = \frac{h}{2}$ ($\frac{|h|}{2}$ if $h < 0$)

Area of $\triangle OAB$ = $\frac{1}{2}$ base \cdot height = $\frac{1}{2} OA \cdot AB = \frac{\cos(h)}{2} \sin(h)$ ($\frac{\cos(h) \sin(h)}{2}$ if $h < 0$)

Area of $\triangle OCD$ = $\frac{1}{2} OC \cdot CD = \frac{1}{2} \tan(h) = \frac{\sin(h)}{2 \cos(h)}$ ($\frac{\sin(h)}{2 \cos(h)}$ if $h < 0$)

So Area of $\triangle OAB \leq$ Area sector OBC \leq Area $\triangle OCD$ ($\frac{\sin(h)}{2 \cos(h)}$ if $h < 0$)

$$\frac{\cos(h) \sin(h)}{2} \leq \frac{h}{2} \leq \frac{\sin(h)}{2 \cos(h)}$$

$$-\frac{\cos h \sin h}{2} = \frac{\cos h \sin |h|}{2} \leq \frac{|h|}{2} \text{ if } h < 0 \leq \frac{\sin |h|}{2 \cos h} = -\frac{\sin h}{2 \cos h}$$

• If $h > 0$, divide by $\frac{h}{2}$ everywhere

$$\cos h \frac{\sin h}{h} \leq 1 \leq \frac{1}{\cos h} \frac{\sin h}{h}$$



so $\cos h \leq \frac{\sin h}{h} \leq \frac{1}{\cos h}$ ($\cos(0) = 1$ so $\cos(h) > 0$ for h near 0)

• If $h < 0$, divide by $\frac{(-h)}{2} > 0$ everywhere

$$\frac{+\cos h \sin h}{2h} \leq 1 \leq \frac{1}{\cos h} \frac{\sin h}{h} \quad \text{so } \cos h \leq \frac{\sin h}{h} \leq \frac{1}{\cos h}$$

• We know $\cos h \leq \frac{\sin h}{h} \leq \frac{1}{\cos h}$ & $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \cos h = 1 = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\cos h}$ again.

So $\frac{\sin h}{h}$ is squeezed between 1 & 1 in the limit.

Conclusion:

$$\boxed{\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin h}{h} = 1}$$

Application: $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos h - 1}{h} = ?$ (also $\frac{0}{0}$ -indet.)

$$\frac{\cos h - 1}{h} \cdot \frac{\cos h + 1}{\cos h + 1} = \frac{\cos^2 h - 1}{h(\cos h + 1)} \stackrel{\substack{\sin^2 h + \cos^2 h = 1 \\ \uparrow \\ -\sin^2 h}}{=} \frac{-\sin^2 h}{h(\cos h + 1)} = \frac{\sin h}{h} \cdot \left(\frac{-\sin h}{1 + \cos h} \right)$$

both have a limit!

$$\begin{array}{c} \downarrow \\ \frac{-0}{2} = 0 \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{\text{So } \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos h - 1}{h} = 0}$$

§ 2.4 Velocity & rates of change

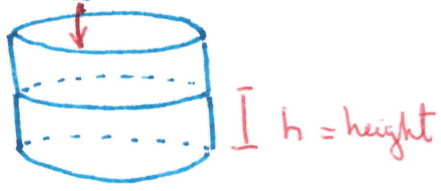
Think of $y = f(x)$ as indicating a relationship between 2 physical quantities

$\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x}$ average rate of change $\rightsquigarrow f' = \frac{dy}{dx}$ instantaneous rate of change

[So Problem of tangent slopes becomes the Problem of rate of change]

Applications! The independent variable $x = t$ is TIME

Example ① Filling a water tank



$V(t)$ = Volume (of water) at time t

$\frac{dV}{dt}$ = $\frac{\Delta V}{\Delta t}$ = rate at which the tank is filled

Also: the height $h(t)$ is changing with time

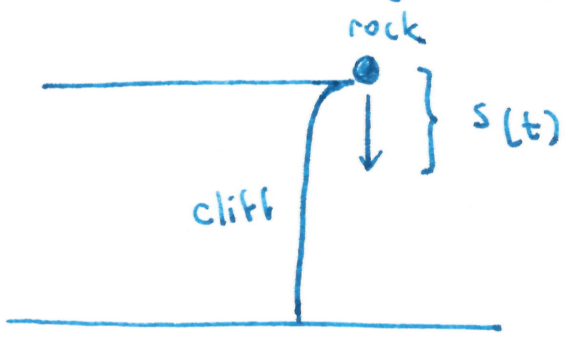
$\frac{dh}{dt}$ = rate at which the height changes

Note: V & h are related

$$V(t) = h(t) \cdot \overbrace{\text{Area of the base}}^{\text{Fixed!}}$$

(Example: If $h(t) = t$, then $\frac{dV}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} (t \cdot \text{Area}) = \text{Area of the base}$
fixed number)

Example ②: Rock falling off a cliff:



$s(t)$ = position at time t

$\frac{\Delta s}{\Delta t} = s'(t) := v(t)$ velocity

(It has a "direction": pos or neg)

$\frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t} = v'(t) := a(t)$ acceleration

$v(t)$ = rate of change of position

$a(t)$ = _____ velocity

Speed = $|v(t)|$ no direction! \rightarrow dashboard of car.

Here: experimental results propose

$$s(t) = 16t^2 \quad (\text{ft})$$

$$s'(t) = 32t \quad (\text{prove it by definition})$$

[acceleration from GRAVITY]

$$\leftarrow a(t) = 32 \left(\frac{\text{ft}}{\text{s}^2} \right) \quad (9.8 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2})$$

Basis of Newtonian mechanics.

Application 2: The indep. variable can be something else, $x = \#$ cars produced 4

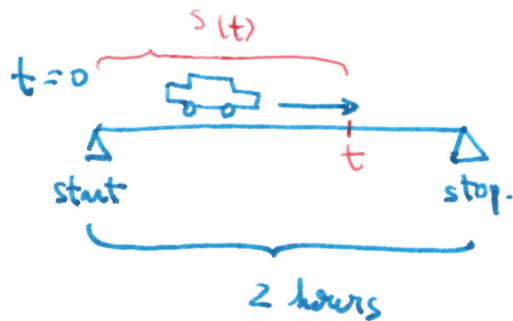
$C(x)$ = cost of producing x cars

$\frac{dC}{dx}$ = marginal cost or "cost per unit"

↳ Econ or Business term for rate of change

(we don't make fractional cars. 1 car = instantaneous)

Application 3: Car driving straight down the road



Odometer = measures distance travelled

Speedometer = — speed (forward velocity)

Watching odometer gives $s(t)$ = distance at time t

— speedometer — $v(t) = s'(t)$ = velocity at time t

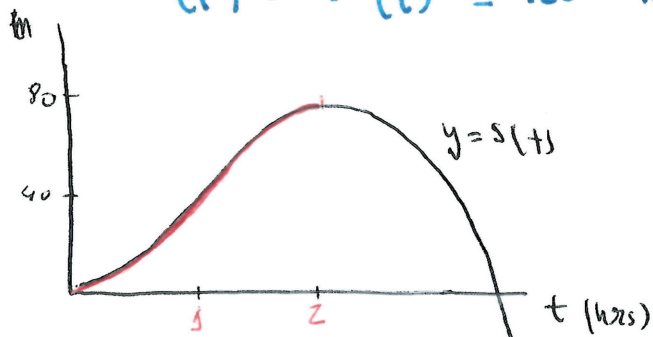
By empirical measure, one might find or estimate that

$$s(t) = 60t^2 - 20t^3$$

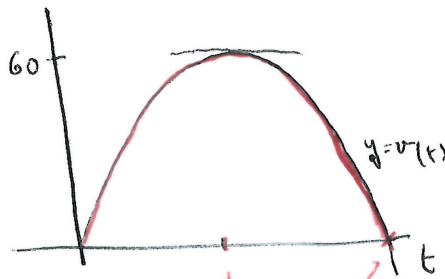


so $v(t) = s'(t) = 120t - 60t^2$ → check with speedometer

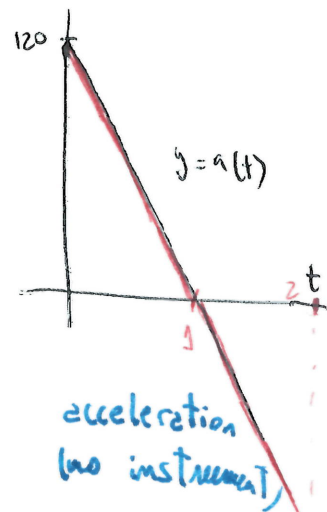
$$a(t) = v'(t) = 120 - 120t = 120(1-t)$$



position
(ODOMETER)



velocity
(SPEEDOMETER)



acceleration
(no instrument)

We stop measuring after $t = 2$ hours

• Each graph gives a "different" picture of our travels.