

1 Derivative Definition

1.1 Concepts

1. The **derivative** of a function f at x_0 can be written as

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

1.2 Example

2. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{e^{3x} - e^3}{x^2 - 1}$.

1.3 Problems

3. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{e^{\sqrt{x}} - e}{x^2 - 3x + 2}$.

4. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos x - 1}{x^2 + x}$.

5. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} \frac{\sin x}{x - \pi}$.

6. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan x}{x}$.

1.4 Extra Problems

7. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x}$.

8. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi/4} \frac{\cos x - \sqrt{2}/2}{x - \pi/4}$.

9. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi/3} \frac{\sin x - \sin(\pi/3)}{x - \pi/3}$.

10. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi/3} \frac{\sin x - \sqrt{3}/2}{x - \pi/3}$.