

Differential Calculus

- Limits

- > The number a is called **cluster point** of a sequence a_n , if an infinite number of terms of the sequence cluster close to a
- > The number a is called **limit** of the sequence a_n , if there exists $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ so that **all** terms a_n with $n > n_0$ cluster close to a

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = a \text{ where } a \text{ is finite}$$

such a sequence is **convergent** and has always a **cluster point**

- Limit Theorems hold true if a_n and b_n are convergent

- > $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n \pm b_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n) \pm \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (b_n) = a \pm b$
- > $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n * b_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n) * \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (b_n) = a * b$
- > $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{a_n}{b_n}\right) = \frac{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n)}{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (b_n)} = \frac{a}{b}$ for $b_n \neq 0, b \neq 0$

- Limit of Functions

- > $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} c = c$
- > $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} c * f(x) = c * \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$
- > $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} (f(x) \pm g(x)) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) \pm \lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)$
- > $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} (f(x) * g(x)) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) * \lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)$
- > $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left(\frac{f(x)}{g(x)}\right) = \frac{\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)}{\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)}$ if $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) \neq 0$

- A **secant** of a curve is a straight line segment which joins any two points on the curve. The slope of the secant measures the **average rate of change**

$$m = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

- A **tangent** is a straight line which touches a curve at a point. The slope of the tangent measures the **instantaneous rate of change** at this point

$$t(x) = m * x + q \text{ where } m(x) = f'(x)$$

- A **normal** is perpendicular to the tangent

$$m_t * m_n = -1$$

- The **derivative (differential quotient)** is the slope of the **tangent** to the curve. The derivative of $f(x)$ is written as $f'(x), y'(x), y'$ or $\frac{df}{dx}(x)$

It can be found using two different methods

- > **h-method**

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

- > **x-method**

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

- Derivative Rules

- > The Constant Rule

$$f(x) = c \rightarrow f'(x) = 0$$

- > The Sum Rule

$$f(x) = u(x) + v(x) \rightarrow f'(x) = u'(x) + v'(x)$$

- > The Power Rule

$$f(x) = x^n \rightarrow f'(x) = n * x^{n-1}$$

- > The Factor Rule

$$f(x) = c * u(x) \rightarrow f'(x) = c * u'(x)$$