## Course Overview-Math 111

## • Limits:

- Idea:  $\lim_{x\to a} f(x) = L$  means f(x) gets close to L as x gets close to a.
- **Rigor:**  $(\varepsilon \delta \text{ definition of a limit})$  For every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists a  $\delta > 0$  such that for every x with  $0 < |x a| < \delta$ , we get  $|f(x) L| < \epsilon$ .
- Computation: Limit Laws, etc.
  - \* direct substitution
  - \* factoring
  - \* conjugate trick with square roots
  - \* common denominator
  - \* absolute value
  - \* infinite limits
  - \* right- or left-handed limits
  - \* limits at  $\pm \infty$
- Uses: All of Calculus

## • Derivatives:

- **Idea:** f'(x) = slope of the tangent line at (x, f(x))
- Rigor: (Limit definition)  $f'(x) = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(x+h) f(x)}{h}$
- Computation: Differentiation Rules: Product, Quotient, Chain Rules, etc.
- Uses: Tangent Lines, Related Rates, Max-Min, Optimization, Graphing, etc.

## • Integrals:

- Idea:  $\int_a^b f(x) dx$  is signed area under the curve.
- **Rigor:** (Limit definition)  $\int_a^b f(x) \ dx = \lim_{n \to \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i) \Delta x$  using Riemann Sums
- Computation: Fundamental Theorem of Calculus (antiderivatives  $\int f(x) dx$ ), algebra combined with basic antidifferentiation rules, integration by substitution (with more techniques coming in Math 121)
- Uses: Areas, Volumes, Position-Velocity Problem (rectilinear motion)
- Special Functions: Trigonometry,  $e^x$ , or  $\ln x$ . Know graphs, derivatives (and where possible the antiderivatives), and properties.