

One sided limit

Recall $\lim_{x \rightarrow c^+} f(x) = L$

Suppose $f(x)$ is defined on
 $(c-a, c) \cup (c, c+a)$, $a > 0$.

$(c-a, c)$, $(c, c+a)$

If for any $\epsilon > 0$, there
exists a $\delta > 0$, such that

$$0 < |x - c| < \delta \implies |f(x) - L| < \epsilon$$

$(c < x < c + a)$
 $(c - a < x < c)$

Example. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \sin \frac{1}{x}$ exists?

Ans: No. Let $a_n = \frac{1}{n\pi}$
 $b_n = \frac{1}{(2n + \frac{1}{2})\pi}$
 $c_n = \frac{1}{(2n - \frac{1}{2})\pi}$
 $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \sin \frac{1}{a_n} = 0 \\ \sin \frac{1}{b_n} = 1 \\ \sin \frac{1}{c_n} = -1 \end{cases}$$



Since in any interval $(0, \delta)$, we can always find $a_n, b_n, c_n \in (0, \delta)$

with $\begin{cases} f(a_n) = 0 \\ f(b_n) = 1 \\ f(c_n) = -1 \end{cases}$

ie. values of $f(x)$ are not all near any L when $x \in (0, \delta)$

Remark: How to prove

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x} f(x) \neq L$$

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

(S₁) For any $\epsilon > 0$,
there exists $\delta > 0$ such that
" $0 < |x - c| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - L| < \epsilon$ " (S₂)
(S₃)

(S₁) is true \Leftrightarrow For any $\epsilon > 0$, (S₂) is true

(S₁) is false \Leftrightarrow There exists an $\epsilon > 0$
such that (S₂) is false

(S₂) is true \Leftrightarrow there exists a $\delta > 0$,
such that (S₃) is true.

(S₂) is false \Leftrightarrow For any $\delta > 0$, (S₃) is false.

(S₃) is true \Leftrightarrow " $0 < |x - c| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - L| < \epsilon$ "

(S₃) is false \Leftrightarrow there exists on x , $0 < |x - c| < \delta$
such that $|f(x) - L| \geq \epsilon$

In summary, $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = L$ is false

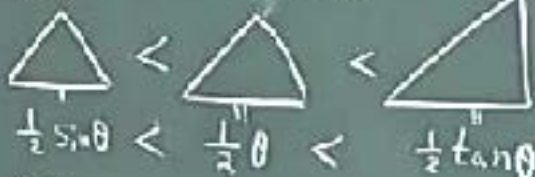
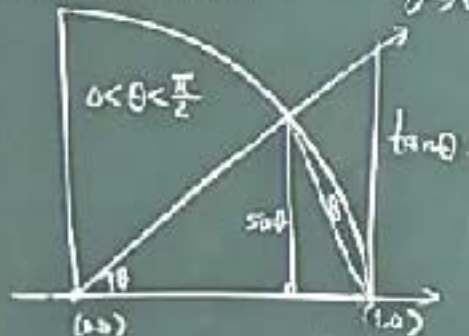
There exists an $\epsilon > 0$, such that
for any $\delta > 0$, there exists an
 x with $0 < |x - c| < \delta$ and $|f(x) - L| \geq \epsilon$.

In previous example $(\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \sin \frac{1}{x})$

It suffices to take $\epsilon = \frac{1}{2}$ (it will
work for any L)

Limits involving $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \theta}{\theta}$

Sol: we start with $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \theta}{\theta}$



$$\left(\times \frac{2}{\sin \theta} \right) \Rightarrow 1 < \frac{\theta}{\sin \theta} < \frac{1}{\cos \theta}$$

$$1 > \frac{\sin \theta}{\theta} > \cos \theta, \quad \forall \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}$$

Since $\sin(-\theta) = -\sin\theta$
 $\cos(-\theta) = \cos\theta$

$$\Rightarrow 1 > \frac{\sin\theta}{\theta} > \cos\theta$$

on $(-\frac{\pi}{2}, 0) \cup (0, \frac{\pi}{2})$

Since $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} 1 = 1 = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \cos\theta$

Sandwich Theorem

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin\theta}{\theta} = 1$$

Example: $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos(t) - 1}{t} = ?$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{-2 \sin^2(\frac{t}{2})}{t}$$

$$= -\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(\frac{t}{2})}{\frac{t}{2}} \left(\sin \frac{t}{2} \right) = 0$$

Example: $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan t}{t}$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin t}{t} \cdot \frac{1}{\cos t} = 1.$$

Example: $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(\sin t)}{t}$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(\sin t)}{\sin t} \cdot \frac{\sin t}{t}$$
$$= \lim_{\sin t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(\sin t)}{\sin t} \cdot \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin t}{t}$$
$$= 1$$

Continuity

Definition: Suppose $f(x)$ is defined on $(c-a, c+a)$, $a > 0$

Then $f(x)$ is continuous at c

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

Remark (*) means

(1): $f(c)$ exists

(2): $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)$ exists

(3): (1) = (2)

Alternatively, we can define
" $f(x)$ is continuous at c "
using ϵ - δ as follows:

Suppose $f(x)$ is defined
on $(c-a, c+a)$, $a > 0$

Then $f(x)$ is continuous at c
if: For any $\epsilon > 0$, there
exists a $\delta > 0$, such that

$$|x-c| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x)-f(c)| < \epsilon$$

(\forall)