

# Chapter 03: Limit of a Function

## Handwritten Notes of REAL ANALYSIS

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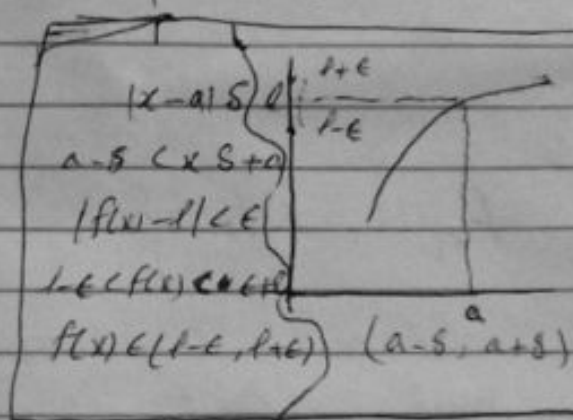
## Limit of a Function, $y$

Definition:- If  $f$  is a function defined on  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then the limit of the function  $f(x)$  is denoted by  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$  and is defined by

There exists a  $\delta > 0$  such that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = l$  if for every  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  
 $|f(x) - l| < \epsilon$  whenever  $|x - a| < \delta$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) \in (l - \epsilon, l + \epsilon)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = l$$



Example:- Show that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \sin \frac{1}{x} = 0$

Solution:-  $|f(x) - l| < \epsilon$  if  $|x - a| < \delta$

Here  $f(x) = x \sin \frac{1}{x}$ ,  $l = 0$

$$|x \sin \frac{1}{x} - 0| = |x \sin \frac{1}{x}| = |x| |\sin \frac{1}{x}|$$

Since  $|\sin \frac{1}{x}| \leq 1$

$$|x \sin \frac{1}{x} - 0| \leq |x| = |x - 0|$$

$$\text{If } |x - 0| < \delta$$

$$|x \sin \frac{1}{x} - 0| < \delta \text{ if } |x - 0| < \delta$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \sin \frac{1}{x} = 0$$

Example: Show that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^2 \sin \frac{1}{x} = 0$

Solution: consider  $|x^2 \sin \frac{1}{x} - 0| = |x^2| |\sin \frac{1}{x}|$   
 $\Rightarrow |x^2 \sin \frac{1}{x} - 0| \leq |x^2|$  as  $|\sin \frac{1}{x}| \leq 1$

$$\Rightarrow |x^2 \sin \frac{1}{x} - 0| < \epsilon \quad \text{if } |x^2| < \epsilon$$

$$\text{if } |x| < \sqrt{\epsilon}$$

$$|x^2 \sin \frac{1}{x} - 0| < \epsilon \quad \text{if } |x - 0| < \delta$$

where  $\delta = \sqrt{\epsilon}$

$\therefore$  Hence  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^2 \sin \frac{1}{x} = 0$

Right hand limit:

If  $f$  is a function defined on  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ , then right hand limit of  $f$  at  $a$  is denoted by  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x) = l$  and defined by

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

$$|f(x) - l| < \epsilon \quad \text{if } x \in (a, a + \delta)$$

and similarly ~~the~~

The ~~left~~ left hand limit is denoted by

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x) = l$$

$$|f(x) - l| < \epsilon \quad \text{if } x \in (a - \delta, a)$$

Theorem:  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = l$  iff  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x),$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x)$  exist and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x).$

Proof: Let  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = l$ . Then by def) for every  $\epsilon > 0$  there exist  $\delta > 0$  such that,

$|f(x) - l| < \epsilon$  whenever  $x \in (a - \delta, a + \delta) \rightarrow (1)$   
 $\Rightarrow |f(x) - l| < \epsilon$  if  $x \in (a, a + \delta)$   $\frac{a-\delta \quad a+\delta}{\quad a}$

$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x) = l$

Also from (1) we have

$|f(x) - l| < \epsilon$  if  $x \in (a - \delta, a)$

$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x) = l$

Conversely:

Let  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x) = l$  and

$\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x) = l$  we prove

that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = l$

since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x) = l$ . so by def: for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exist  $\delta > 0$  such that

$|f(x) - l| < \epsilon$  if  $x \in (a, a + \delta) \rightarrow (1)$

Also  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x) = l$ , so by def: for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exist  $\delta > 0$

$|f(x) - l| < \epsilon$  if  $x \in (a - \delta, a) \rightarrow (2)$

Let  $\delta = \min(\delta_1, \delta_2)$

from (1) and (2) we have

$|f(x) - l| < \epsilon$  if  $x \in (a, a + \delta)$



$$|f(x) - l| < \epsilon \quad \text{if } x \in (a - \delta, a)$$

$$\Rightarrow |f(x) - l| < \epsilon \quad \text{if } x \in (a - \delta, a + \delta)$$

$$|f(x) - l| < \epsilon \quad \text{if } |x - a| < \delta$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = l.$$

Q: If  $[x]$  is bracket function. Then  
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} [x]$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} [x]$ .

Solution:-  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} [x] = 2$   $\frac{x > 2}{2} = [2.0] = 2$

and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} [x] = 1$

Since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} [x] = 2 \neq \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} [x] = 1$

and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} [x]$  is does not exist.

Q: Show that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{|x|}{x}$  does not exist.

Solution:-  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{|x|}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{x}{x} = 1$

$$\begin{cases} |x| = x & \text{if } x \geq 0 \\ |x| = -x & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

Also  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{|x|}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{-x}{x} = -1$

Since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{|x|}{x} \neq \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{|x|}{x}$

So  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{|x|}{x}$  is does not exist.

Theorem:- Let  $f$  be a real valued function and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = l$ , Then that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} |f(x)| = |l|$ . But the converse is not true in general.

Proof:- Since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = l$  So by defn. for every  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists a  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$|f(x) - l| < \epsilon \text{ when } |x - a| < \delta \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

Now since  $||f(x)| - |l|| \leq |f(x) - l| < \epsilon$  when  $|x - a| < \delta$

$$\Rightarrow | |f(x)| - |l| | < \epsilon \text{ when } |x - a| < \delta$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow a} |f(x)| = |l|$$

for converse we give Example:-

Let  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -1 & \text{if } x < a \\ 1 & \text{if } x \geq a \end{cases}$$

Then left hand limit =  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} (-1) = -1$

and Right hand limit =  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} (1) = 1$

Here L.H.L  $\neq$  R.H.L

So  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$  does not exist

But  $|f(x)| = 1 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$

$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow a} |f(x)| = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} (1) = 1$ , which exists.

From above discussion, we have concluded that the absolute value of function i.e. function is convergent there it is not necessary that without absolute value the function  $f(x)$  is convergent.

So the converse of the above theorem is not true generally.

Theorem: Let  $f$  be a real valued function and  $\langle x_n \rangle$  be a sequence in the domain of  $f(x)$  such that  $x_n \neq a$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = a$ .  
Then  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = l \iff \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x_n) = l$ .

Proof: Given  $\langle x_n \rangle$  is a sequence from domain of  $f$ , such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = a$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = l$ .  
we prove that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x_n) = l$ .

Since  $x_n \rightarrow a$ ,  
 $|x_n - a| < \epsilon_1$  when  $n \geq k \rightarrow \text{①}$

Also  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = l \Rightarrow |f(x) - l| < \epsilon_2$  when  $|x - a| < \delta$

Since  $x_n \in \text{Dom of } f$ , so  
 $|f(x_n) - l| < \epsilon_2$  whenever  $|x_n - a| < \delta \rightarrow \text{②}$

Since  $\epsilon_1$  is arbitrary we so take  $\epsilon_1 = \delta$ .  
From ① we have

$$|x_n - a| < \delta \text{ when } n \geq k$$

Therefore ②

$$\Rightarrow |f(x) - l| < \epsilon_2 \text{ whenever } |x_n - a| < \delta ; n \geq k$$

$$|f(x) - l| < \epsilon_2 \text{ when } n \geq k$$

$$\boxed{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = l}$$

Conversely: Let  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = l$

and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x_n) = l$   
we prove that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = l$$

Assume that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) \neq l$ , Then by def:  
for every  $\epsilon > 0$  then  $\delta > 0$ , such that

$$|f(x) - l| \geq \epsilon \quad \text{when } |x - a| < \delta$$

$$\Rightarrow |f(x_n) - l| \geq \epsilon \quad \text{when } |x_n - a| < \delta$$

But  $|x_n - a| < \delta$  whenever  $n \geq K$

$$|f(x_n) - l| \geq \epsilon \quad \text{whenever } n \geq K$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x) \neq l$$

which is contradiction

Hence

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = l$$

Theorem: If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = 0$  and  $g(x)$  is bounded  
on some deleted nbhd of  $a$   
then prove that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) \cdot g(x) = 0$

Proof: - Since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = 0$  and  $g(x)$  is  
bounded on some deleted nbhd

$$N_\delta(a) \setminus \{a\} = S$$

Then  $|g(x)| \leq M, \forall x \in S$

Also, as  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow |f(x) - 0| < \frac{\epsilon}{|M|} \quad \text{when } |x - a| < \delta$$

$$\text{Now } |f(x) \cdot g(x) - 0| = |f(x)| |g(x)| < \frac{\epsilon}{|M|} \cdot |g(x)|; |x - a| < \delta$$



$$|f(x) \cdot g(x) - d| < \frac{\epsilon}{|M|} |g(x)| \leq \frac{\epsilon}{|M|} |M|; \text{ where } |x-a| < \delta$$

$$|f(x) \cdot g(x) - d| < \epsilon \text{ when } |x-a| < \delta$$

$$\text{Hence } \boxed{\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) \cdot g(x) = d}$$

Def: If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = \infty \Rightarrow$  If  $M$  is any +ve number, then there exist  $\delta > 0$ , such that  $|f(x)| > M$  for  $|x-a| < \delta$

Def: If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = -\infty \Rightarrow$  If  $M$  is any +ve number, then there exist  $\delta > 0$ , such that  $|f(x)| < -M$  for  $|x-a| < \delta$ .

Q.1 Let  $f(x) = \log|x|$ . prove that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \log|x| = -\infty$

Sol: Let  $M > 0 \Rightarrow -M < 0$

$$\text{if } f(x) < -M \\ \Rightarrow \log|x| < -M$$

$$\Rightarrow |x| < e^{-M} = \delta$$

$$f(x) < -M \text{ if } |x| < \delta$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = -\infty$$

Q.2

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} e^{-x}$$

Solution:- we find left hand and right sides limits.

Left side limit: As  $x < 0$ , Then  $x \rightarrow 0^-$   
since  $x < 0$ , Then  $x = 0 - h$  where  $h > 0$

As  $x \rightarrow 0^-$ , Then  $h \rightarrow 0$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} e^{-x} &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} e^{-(0-h)} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} e^h = e^0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} e^{-x} = 1 \rightarrow (i)$$

Right side limit: As  $x > 0$ , Then  $x \rightarrow 0^+$   
since  $x > 0$ , Then  $x = 0 + h$  where  $h < 0$

As  $x \rightarrow 0^+$ , Then  $h \rightarrow 0^-$

Now

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} e^{-x} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} e^{-h} = e^0 = 1 \rightarrow (ii)$$

As from (i) and (ii)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} e^{-x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} e^{-x}$$

Thus  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} e^{-x}$  is exists.

Q.2

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \cos \frac{1}{x}$$

Solution:-  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \cos \frac{1}{x} = 0 \cdot \cos \left(\frac{1}{0}\right) = 0 \cdot \cos \infty = 0$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \cos \frac{1}{x} = 0$$

$$\underline{Q^{(3)}} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a^x - 1}{x}$$

Solution :- Let  $a^x - 1 = y$

$$\Rightarrow a^x = 1 + y \quad (\text{taking Log})$$

$$\Rightarrow \log a^x = \log(1 + y)$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{\log(1 + y)}{\log a}$$

$$a^x - 1 = y \quad \text{As } x \rightarrow \infty \text{ then } y \rightarrow \infty$$

Now As  $x \rightarrow \infty$  then  $y \rightarrow \infty$

Then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a^x - 1}{x} = \lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} \frac{y}{\frac{\log(1 + y)}{\log a}}$$

$$= \lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log a}{\frac{1}{y} \log(1 + y)}$$

$$= \lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log a}{\log(1 + y)^{1/y}}$$

$$= \frac{\log a}{\log \left[ \lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} (1 + y)^{1/y} \right]}$$

$$\text{As } \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (1 + x)^{1/x} = e$$

$$= \frac{\log a}{\log(e)} = \frac{\log a}{1} = \log a = \infty$$

So  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a^x - 1}{x} = \infty$

$$\underline{Q^{(4)}} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{x}{1+x} \right)^x$$

Solution :-  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{x}{1+x} \right)^x = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{1+x}{x} \right)^{-x}$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{1}{x} + \frac{x}{x} \right)^{-x}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{x} + 1\right)^{-x}$$

$$= \left[ \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^x \right]^{-1}$$

$$\text{As } \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n = e$$

So  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{x}{1+x}\right)^x = \frac{1}{e}$

Q<sup>5</sup>:  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{x}\right)^x$

Solution:  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{x}\right)^x = \left[ \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{x}\right)^{-x} \right]^{-1}$

$$= e^{-1}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{x}\right)^x = \frac{1}{e}$$

$$\text{As } \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)^{-n} = e$$

Q<sup>6</sup>:  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{x} \tan \frac{x}{2}$

Solution:  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{x} \tan \frac{x}{2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \frac{x}{2}}{x \cos \frac{x}{2}}$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \frac{x}{2}}{2 \frac{x}{2} \cos \frac{x}{2}}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \frac{x}{2}}{2 \frac{x}{2}} \cdot \frac{1}{\cos \frac{x}{2}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \frac{x}{2}}{\frac{x}{2}} \cdot \frac{1}{\cos \frac{x}{2}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \cdot 1 \cdot \frac{1}{\cos 0} \quad \text{As } \cos 0 = 1$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \cdot 1 \cdot \frac{1}{1} = \frac{1}{2}$$

So  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{x} \tan 2x = \frac{1}{2}$



Q7  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{2}{x}\right)^x$

Solution:-  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{2}{x}\right)^x$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \left(1 + \frac{2}{x}\right)^{\frac{x}{2}} \right]^2$$

$$= \left| \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{2}{x}\right)^{\frac{x}{2}} \right|^2 = e^2$$

So  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{2}{x}\right)^x = e^2$

Q8 i. Prove that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \cos x = \cos a$

Solution:-  $|f(x) - \cos a| = |\cos x - \cos a|$

$$= \left| -2 \sin \frac{x+a}{2} \sin \frac{x-a}{2} \right|$$

$$= | -2 | \left| \sin \frac{x+a}{2} \right| \left| \sin \frac{x-a}{2} \right|$$

$$= 2 \left| \sin \frac{x+a}{2} \right| \left| \frac{\sin \frac{x-a}{2}}{\frac{x-a}{2}} \cdot \frac{x-a}{2} \right|$$

$$= 2 \left| \sin \frac{x+a}{2} \right| \cdot 1 \cdot \left| \frac{x-a}{2} \right|$$

$$< 2 \cdot 1 \cdot \left| \frac{x-a}{2} \right| \quad \text{As } |\sin x| < x$$

$$= |x-a| \quad \text{Let } \delta = \epsilon$$

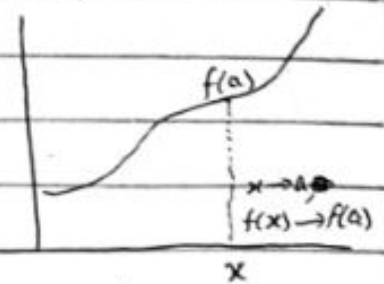
Hence  $|f(x) - \cos a| < \epsilon$  if  $0 < |x-a| < \epsilon = \delta$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \cos x = \cos a$$

Continuity :-

A function  $f$  is said to be continuous at " $a$ " if the following conditions are satisfied.

- (1)  $f(a)$  is defined ( $a \in \text{Dom } f$ )
- (2)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$  exists
- (3)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = f(a)$



If  $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $a \in I$

then the function  $f$  is continuous at  $a \in I$  if for every  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that  $|f(x) - f(a)| < \epsilon$  when  $|x - a| < \delta$

If  $f$  is continuous at every point of  $I$  then we can say that  $f$  is continuous on  $I$ .

Q1 :-  $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - x - 2}{x - 2}$

Solution: Given  $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - x - 2}{x - 2}$

$\Rightarrow \text{Dom } f = \mathbb{R} \setminus \{2\}$

$\Rightarrow f$  is not continuous at  $x=2$

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2 - x - 2}{x - 2}, \quad x \neq 2$$

$$f(x) = 5 \text{ if } x = 2$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^2 - 2x + x - 2}{x - 2}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x(x-2) + 1(x-2)}{x-2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} (x+1) = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = 3 \Rightarrow f(2) = 5$$

Q:  $f(x) = [x]$  is a bracket function  
 so  $f(x) = [x]$  is continuous function

Solution: From the graph  $f(x)$   
 is discontinuous on

$$Z = \{0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \dots\}$$

We check continuous at  $x=0$

$$f(0) = [0] = 0$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} [x] = 0$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} [x] = -1$$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$  does not exist

so  $f(x)$  is not continuous at  $x=0$

Def:

If  $f$  is a function and  $a \in \text{Dom } f$

Also,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x) = f(a)$

Then we say  $f$  is right continuous at  $a$ .

If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x) = f(a)$

Then we say  $f$  is left continuous at  $a$ .

Def: If  $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a function defined on  $[a, b]$ .

For continuity at "a" we check only ~~Left~~ Right continuity and for continuity at  $b$  we check only left continuity at  $b$ .

Signum Function (Sgn Function) :-

Let  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x > 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ -1 & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

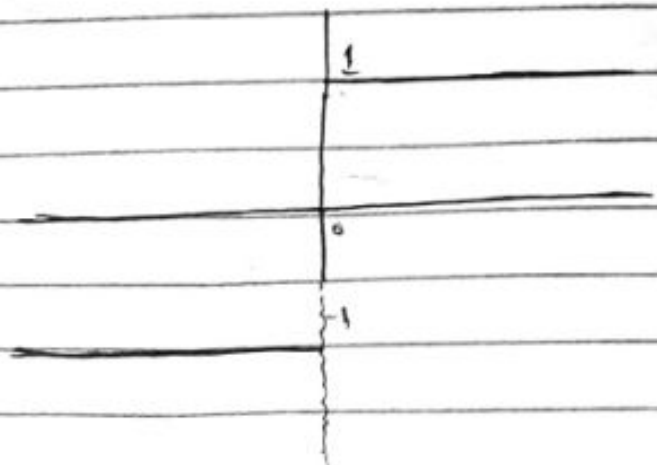
This function is discontinuous only at  $x=0$

$$f(0) = 0$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = 1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = -1$$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) \neq \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$$



$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$  does not exist so the function or  $f(x)$  is not continuous.

Theorem:- If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = f(a)$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = g(a)$  then,

$$(i) \lim_{x \rightarrow a} (f(x) \pm g(x)) = f(a) \pm g(a)$$

$$(ii) \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) g(x) = f(a) g(a)$$

$$(iii) \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{1}{f(x)} = \frac{1}{f(a)} ; f(a) \neq 0$$

$$(iv) \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{f(a)}{g(a)} ; g(a) \neq 0$$

Proof (i) As given that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = f(a)$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = g(a)$ .

So by def: for every  $\epsilon/2 > 0 \exists \delta_1 > 0$  such that

$$|f(x) - f(a)| < \epsilon ; |x - a| < \delta_1 \rightarrow (1)$$



Also  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = g(a)$

So by def: for every  $\epsilon/2 > 0$ ,  $\exists \delta_2 > 0$ ,  
such that

$$|g(x) - g(a)| < \epsilon/2 ; |x - a| < \delta_2 \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} |f(x) + g(x) - (f(a) + g(a))| &= |f(x) - f(a) + (g(x) - g(a))| \\ &\leq |f(x) - f(a)| + |g(x) - g(a)| \\ &= \epsilon/2 + \epsilon/2 \end{aligned}$$

whenever  $|x - a| < \delta_1$  and  $|x - a| < \delta_2$

$$\text{Let } \delta = \min\{\delta_1, \delta_2\}$$

So

$$|f(x) + g(x) - (f(a) + g(a))| < \epsilon ; |x - a| < \delta$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow a} (f(x) + g(x)) = f(a) + g(a)$$

Proof (ii)

Now

$$|f(x)g(x) - f(a)g(a)| = |f(x)g(x) - f(x)g(a) + f(x)g(a) - f(a)g(a)|$$

$$\begin{aligned} |f(x)g(x) - f(a)g(a)| &\leq |f(x) - f(a)||g(x)| + |f(a)||g(x) - g(a)| \\ &\leq \epsilon/2 |g(x)| + |f(a)| \epsilon/2 \end{aligned}$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} |g(x)| - |g(x) - g(a) + g(a)| &\leq |g(x) - g(a)| + |g(a)| \\ &\leq \epsilon/2 + |g(a)| \\ &= M \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow |g(x)| < M$$

$$\text{So let } \delta = \min\{\delta_1, \delta_2\}$$

$$\text{So, } |f(x)g(x) - f(a)g(a)| < \epsilon/2 \cdot M + |f(a)| \cdot \epsilon/2$$

$$= \epsilon/2 M + |f(a)| \cdot \epsilon/2$$

$$|f(x)g(x) - f(a)g(a)| < \epsilon ; |x - a| < \delta$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)g(x) = f(a)g(a)$$

Q.E.D.

Proof: (iii) Let  $\frac{1}{f(x)} = h(x)$

$$f(x)h(x) = 1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} (f(x) \cdot h(x)) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} 1 = 1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow a} h(x) = 1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} h(x) = \frac{1}{\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)}$$

$$\boxed{\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left( \frac{1}{f(x)} \right) = \frac{1}{f(a)}}$$

Proof: (iv)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{f(a)}{g(a)}$

As above Theorem  $\Rightarrow$  proof (iii) we have  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{1}{f(x)} = \frac{1}{f(a)}$

So we can write as;

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{1}{g(x)}$$

$$= f(a) \cdot \frac{1}{g(a)}$$

$$= \frac{f(a)}{g(a)}$$

Hence

$$\boxed{\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{f(a)}{g(a)}}$$

Theorem: Let  $\langle x_n \rangle$  be convergent Sequence  
 which converges to  $x_0$  i.e.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x_0$   
 Then  $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) = f(x_0)$  iff  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x_n) = f(x_0)$ .

Proof: Since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x_0$ , and

Let  $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) = f(x_0)$

we prove that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x_n) = f(x_0)$

since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x_0$  it means that for every  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists some positive real number

"K" such that

$$|x_n - x_0| < \epsilon; \text{ whenever } n \geq K \rightarrow (1)$$

Now since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) = f(x_0)$

it means that for every  $\epsilon > 0$  there exist

some  $\delta > 0$  (depending on  $\epsilon$ ) such that

$$|f(x) - f(x_0)| < \epsilon \text{ whenever } |x - x_0| < \delta$$

$$|f(x_n) - f(x_0)| < \epsilon \text{ whenever } |x_n - x_0| < \delta \rightarrow (2)$$

$$\Rightarrow |f(x_n) - f(x_0)| < \epsilon; n \geq K$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x_n) = f(x_0)$$

Conversely: Given that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x_0$ , So by def

$$|x_n - x_0| < \delta; n \geq K \rightarrow (1)$$

Let us taking  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x_n) = f(x_0) \} \rightarrow (2)$

$$\text{So } |f(x_n) - f(x_0)| < \epsilon; n \geq K$$

we need to show that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) = f(x_0)$

suppose on contrary that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) \neq f(x_0)$

So by def: for every  $\epsilon > 0 \exists \delta > 0$  s.t

$$|f(x) - f(x_0)| \geq \epsilon; |x - x_0| < \delta.$$

replacing  $x$  by  $x_n$ , we have

$$|f(x_n) - f(x_0)| \geq \epsilon; |x - x_0| < \delta \text{ and } n \geq K$$

$$\Rightarrow |f(x_n) - f(x_0)| \geq \epsilon; n \geq K$$

$$\Rightarrow |f(x) - f(x_0)| \geq \epsilon, \quad n \geq k$$

$$\Rightarrow |f(x_{n+1}) - f(x_0)| \geq \epsilon, \quad //$$

$$\vdots$$

Thus we proved an  $\epsilon > 0$  s.t.  $|f(x_n) - f(x_0)| \geq \epsilon, n \geq k$

This our supposition is wrong. Hence  $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) = f(x_0)$ .

Theorem: Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  and  $g: B \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are functions such that  $f$  is continuous at  $x_0 \in A$  and  $g$  is continuous at  $f(x_0)$ . Then prove that  $g \circ f$  is continuous at  $x_0$ .

Proof: we show that  $g \circ f: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous at  $x_0$ .

Since  $g$  is continuous at  $f(x_0)$

$$\epsilon_1 > 0, \quad |g(y) - g(f(x_0))| < \epsilon_1, \quad \text{when } |y - f(x_0)| < \delta$$

since  $y \in B$  and  $f: A \rightarrow B$

$$\Rightarrow \exists x \in A \text{ such that } f(x) = y.$$

$$\text{So, } |g(f(x)) - g(f(x_0))| < \epsilon_1, \quad \text{when } |f(x) - f(x_0)| < \delta_1 \Rightarrow (1)$$

$$\Rightarrow |g \circ f(x) - g \circ f(x_0)| < \epsilon_1, \quad // \quad |f(x) - f(x_0)| < \delta_1 \Rightarrow (2) \text{ OR}$$

since  $f$  is continuous at  $x_0$  so for every  $\delta_1 > 0$  we can find  $\delta_2 > 0$

$$\text{such that } |f(x) - f(x_0)| < \delta_1, \quad \text{when } |x - x_0| < \delta_2 \Rightarrow (2)$$

using (2) in (1) we obtain

$$|g \circ f(x) - g \circ f(x_0)| < \epsilon_1, \quad \text{whenever } |x - x_0| < \delta_2$$

So  $g \circ f$  is continuous at  $x_0$ .

Theorem: If  $f: (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous function

Then (i) If  $x_0 \in (a, b)$  and  $f(x_0) > 0$  then

There exists  $\delta > 0$  such that  $f(x) > 0 \forall x \in (x_0 - \delta, x_0 + \delta)$

(ii) If  $x_0 \in (a, b)$  and  $f(x_0) < 0$  then there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that  $f(x) < 0 \forall x \in (x_0 - \delta, x_0 + \delta)$ .



~~Q~~ If  $f$  is continuous on  $(a, b)$  and  $x_0 \in (a, b)$  such that  $f(x_0) \neq 0$ . Then there exists nbhd  $(x_0 - \delta, x_0 + \delta)$  of  $x_0$  such that  $f(x_0)$  and  $f(x)$  have the same sign on  $x \in (x_0 - \delta, x_0 + \delta)$ .

Proof: (i) Since  $x_0 \in (a, b)$  and  $f(x_0) > 0$

Also  $f$  is continuous at  $x_0$ .

So by  $|f(x) - f(x_0)| < \epsilon$  when  $|x - x_0| < \delta$ .

Let  $\epsilon = \frac{1}{2} f(x_0)$

$\Rightarrow |f(x) - f(x_0)| < \frac{1}{2} f(x_0)$  when  $|x - x_0| < \delta$

$\Rightarrow -\frac{1}{2} f(x_0) + f(x_0) < f(x) < \frac{1}{2} f(x_0) + f(x_0)$  ;  $|x - x_0| < \delta$

$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} f(x_0) < f(x) < \frac{3}{2} f(x_0)$  when  $|x - x_0| < \delta$

$\Rightarrow f(x) > \frac{1}{2} f(x_0)$  when  $|x - x_0| < \delta$

But  $\frac{1}{2} f(x_0) > 0$

$\Rightarrow f(x) > 0$  when  $|x - x_0| < \delta$ .

part (ii) :-  $x_0 \in (a, b)$ ,  $f(x_0) < 0$

Also  $f$  is continuous at  $x_0$

Let  $\epsilon = -\frac{1}{2} f(x_0)$

$|f(x) - f(x_0)| < -\frac{1}{2} f(x_0)$  whenever  $|x - x_0| < \delta$

$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} f(x_0) + f(x_0) < f(x) < -\frac{1}{2} f(x_0) + f(x_0)$  ;  $|x - x_0| < \delta$

$\Rightarrow \frac{3}{2} f(x_0) < f(x) < \frac{1}{2} f(x_0)$  ;  $|x - x_0| < \delta$

$\Rightarrow f(x) < \frac{1}{2} f(x_0)$  when  $|x - x_0| < \delta$

But  $\frac{1}{2} f(x_0) < 0$

$\Rightarrow f(x) < 0$  when  $|x - x_0| < \delta$ .

Theorem : Let  $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be continuous function  
 If  $f(a) < 0$  and  $f(b) > 0$ . Then  
 there exist  $x_0 \in [a, b]$  such that  $f(x_0) = 0$

OR

If  $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous and  $f(a)$  and  $f(b)$  have opposite sign then  $f(x)$  vanishes for at least one point of  $[a, b]$ .

Proof:- Let  $A = \{x \in [a, b] : f(x) < 0\}$

$$\Rightarrow A \subseteq [a, b]$$

$\Rightarrow A$  is bounded  $\Rightarrow A^c$  is bounded above.

Let us suppose  $\text{Sup}(A) = x_0$

we prove that  $f(x_0) = 0$

Assume that  $f(x_0) \neq 0$

Case (i) If  $f(x_0) > 0$  then By previous Theorem  
 there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that  $f(x) > 0 \quad \forall x \in (x_0 - \delta, x_0 + \delta)$

Case (ii) If  $f(x_0) < 0$  then by previous Theorem

there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that  $f(x) < 0 \quad \forall x \in (x_0 - \delta, x_0 + \delta)$

$$f(x) < 0 \quad \forall x_0 - \delta < x < x_0 + \delta$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) < 0 \quad \forall x \in (x_0 - \delta, x_0 + \delta)$$

$$\text{If } x_0 < y < x_0 + \delta$$

$$\Rightarrow f(y) < 0 \quad \text{but } x_0 < y$$

which is contradiction

So we accept that  $f(x_0) = 0$ .

To prove case (i) suppose on contrary

$$\text{that } f(x_0) > 0$$

As  $f$  is continuous function and

$f(x_0) > 0$  there exist a number  $\delta > 0$

such that

$$f(x_0) > 0 \quad ; \quad \forall \quad x \in (x_0 - \delta, x_0 + \delta)$$

$$\text{As } A = \{x \in [a, b] : f(x) \geq 0\}$$

$$\Rightarrow (x_0 - \delta, x_0) \in A^c \quad ; \quad y \in A^c$$

$$\text{so } y \in (x_0 - \delta, x_0) \subset A^c$$

$$\Rightarrow x_0 - \delta < y < x_0 \quad ; \quad y \in A^c$$

$$\Rightarrow y < x_0 \quad ; \quad y \in A^c$$

which is contradiction.

Thus we accepted that  $f(x_0) > 0$

Hence from the two cases, we have  $f(x_0) = 0$  proved.

### Intermediate Value Theorem:

Let  $f$  be a continuous function on  $[a, b]$  with  $f(a) \neq f(b)$ .

Suppose  $K$  is any number lying b/w  $f(a)$  and  $f(b)$ . Then there exist some  $c \in (a, b)$  such that  $f(c) = K$ .

Proof: Given that  $f$  is continuous function on  $[a, b]$ .

Since  $K$  lies b/w  $f(a)$  and  $f(b)$

$$\text{Let } f(a) < f(b) \Rightarrow K \in (f(a), f(b))$$

$$\text{Consider } g(x) = f(x) - K.$$

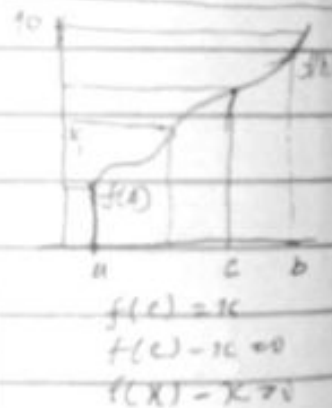
$$g(a) = f(a) - K < 0$$

$$\text{and } g(b) = f(b) - K > 0$$

By previous Theorem there exists  $c \in (a, b)$  such that

$$g(c) = 0 \Rightarrow f(c) - K = 0$$

$$\boxed{f(c) = K}$$



Theorem: Every continuous function defined on  $[a, b]$  is bounded.

(Every continuous function defined on compact set is bounded.)

Proof: Given that  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$ , we prove that  $f$  is bounded.

Let us suppose that  $f$  is not bounded.

Then we can find  $x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots \in [a, b]$  such that

$$f(x_1) > 1, f(x_2) > 2, f(x_3) > 3, \dots$$

Then clearly the sequence  $\langle f(x_n) \rangle$  is unbounded.

Now since  $x_i \in [a, b] \forall i = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

$\Rightarrow$  There exists a sub-sequence  $x_{n_k}$  such that

$$x_{n_k} \rightarrow \alpha \Rightarrow \langle f(x_{n_k}) \rangle \text{ is convergent.}$$

So which is contradiction and

Hence  $f$  is bounded.

Theorem:- Every continuous function on closed interval  $[a, b]$  attain its bounds on  $[a, b]$ .

Proof:- Let  $\text{lub } f(x) = M$  and  $\text{glb } f(x) = m$

we prove that There exists  $c, d \in [a, b]$

such that  $f(c) = M = \text{lub } \{f(x)\}$

and  $f(d) = m = \text{glb } \{f(x)\}$ .

Let  $f(x) < M \quad \forall x \in [a, b]$ .

$$\Rightarrow f(x) - M < 0 \Rightarrow M - f(x) > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow M - f(x) \neq 0 \quad \forall x \in [a, b]$$

Let  $g(x) = \frac{1}{M - f(x)} \Rightarrow g$  is continuous  $[a, b]$

$\Rightarrow g$  is bounded on  $[a, b]$ .

$\Rightarrow$  There exists  $K$  such that



$$|g(x)| < K \Rightarrow \frac{1}{M-f(x)} < K \quad \forall x \in [a, b]$$

$$\Rightarrow M - f(x) > \frac{1}{K}$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) < M - \frac{1}{K} \quad \forall x \in [a, b]$$

$$f(x) < M - \frac{1}{K} < M$$

which is contradiction

$$\Rightarrow f(x) - M = 0 \quad \text{at point "c"}$$

$$\Rightarrow f(c) = M \quad ; \quad c \in [a, b]$$

Theorem:- If  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  are continuous function  $[a, b]$  such that  $f(a) > g(a)$  and  $f(b) < g(b)$ . Then there exist  $c \in (a, b)$  such that  $f(c) = g(c)$

Proof Let  $h(x) = f(x) - g(x)$

since  $f(a) > g(a)$

$$\Rightarrow f(a) - g(a) > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow h(a) > 0$$

Also  $f(b) < g(b) = f(b) - g(b) < 0$

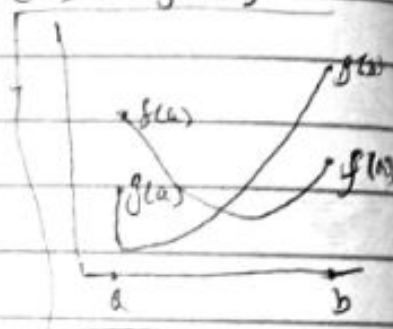
$$\Rightarrow h(b) < 0$$

$h$  is continuous and  $h(a) > 0$  and  $h(b) < 0$

By previous Theorem there exists  $c \in (a, b)$  such that  $h(c) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow f(c) - g(c) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{f(c) = g(c)} \bullet$$



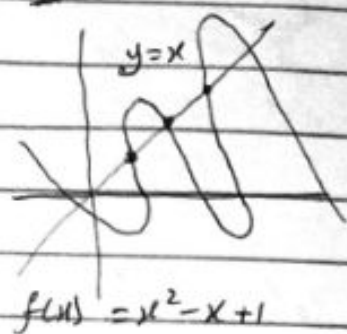


Fixed Point :-

Let "f" be a real valued function. Then a point  $x_0 \in \text{Dom} f$  is called fixed point of "f" if  $f(x_0) = x_0$ .

Let  $f(x) = x$ , each point in the  $\text{Dom} f$  is fixed point.

$$f(x) = x^2, \quad f(0) = 0, \quad f(1) = 1$$



$$x^2 - x + 1 = x$$

Theorem: If  $f: [a, b] \rightarrow [a, b]$  is continuous function. Then  $f(x)$  has at least one fixed point.

Proof: If  $f(a) = a$  or  $f(b) = b$ . Then  $a$  or  $b$  is a fixed point of "f".

Let  $f(a) \neq a$  and  $f(b) \neq b$ .

Then  $f(a) > a$  and  $f(b) < b$ .

Now let  $g(x) = f(x) - x$ . Then  $g$  is continuous.

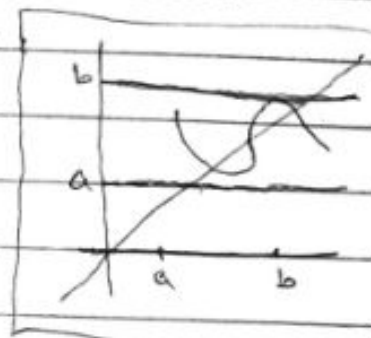
$$g(a) = f(a) - a > 0 \quad \text{and} \quad g(b) = f(b) - b < 0$$

$\Rightarrow$  There exists  $x_0 \in [a, b]$  such that

$$g(x_0) = 0$$

$$f(x_0) - x_0 = 0$$

$$f(x_0) = x_0$$



Theorem: Let  $f(x)$  be a continuous function on  $[a, b]$ . Then for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , the interval  $[a, b]$  can be divided into finite number of sub-intervals such that  $|f(x') - f(x'')| < \epsilon$  whenever  $x', x''$  belong to same sub-intervals.

Proof:- On contrary let us suppose that for every  $\epsilon > 0$  we can not divide  $[a, b]$  into sub-interval such that  $|f(x') - f(x'')| < \epsilon$  whenever  $x', x''$  belong to same sub-interval  $\rightarrow$  (1)

Let bisect  $[a, b]$  as  $[a, \frac{a+b}{2}]$ ,  $[\frac{a+b}{2}, b]$  under our assumptions (1) will not hold in one of the interval  $[a, \frac{a+b}{2}]$ ,  $[\frac{a+b}{2}, b]$

Let that interval is  $I_1 = [a_1, b_1]$

$$\Rightarrow l(I_1) = \frac{b-a}{2}$$

similarly proceed for  $[a_1, b_1]$  and we get

$I_2 = [a_2, b_2]$  such that (1) does not

hold in  $I_2$  and  $l(I_2) = \frac{b-a}{2^2}$ ,  $I_1 \supset I_2$

We continue this process and we obtain a sequence of intervals

$$I_1 \supset I_2 \supset I_3 \supset \dots \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} l(I_n) = 0$$

$$\text{So } \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n = \{x_0\}$$

Since  $f$  is continuous on  $x_0$ .

$$\Rightarrow |f(x) - f(x_0)| < \epsilon/2 \quad \text{when } |x - x_0| < \delta$$

$$\Rightarrow |f(x) - f(x_0)| < \epsilon/2 \quad \text{when } x \in (x_0 - \delta, x_0 + \delta)$$

$$|f(x') - f(x_0)| < \frac{\epsilon}{2} \quad \text{when } x' \in (x_0 - \delta, x_0 + \delta)$$

$$|f(x'') - f(x_0)| < \frac{\epsilon}{2} \quad \text{when } x'' \in (x_0 - \delta, x_0 + \delta)$$

Let us choose  $I_{n_0}$  such that

$$l(I_{n_0}) = \delta_1 \quad \text{as } x_0 \in I_{n_0}$$

$$\Rightarrow |f(x') - f(x_0)| < \frac{\epsilon}{2} \quad \text{when } x' \in I_{n_0}$$

$$\Rightarrow |f(x'') - f(x_0)| < \frac{\epsilon}{2} \quad \text{when } x'' \in I_{n_0}$$

$$|f(x') - f(x'')| = f(x') - f(x_0) + f(x_0) - f(x'')$$

$$\leq |f(x') - f(x_0)| + |f(x_0) - f(x'')|$$

$$< \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} \quad \text{when } x', x'' \in I_{n_0}$$

$$|f(x') - f(x'')| < \epsilon \quad \text{when } x', x'' \in I_{n_0}$$

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Uniform Continuity:-

A function  $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is said to be uniform continuous on  $I$ .

If for every  $\epsilon > 0$  there exist  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$|f(x) - f(y)| < \epsilon \text{ whenever } |x - y| < \delta, \forall x, y \in I.$$

Theorem:- If  $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is uniformly continuous function, Then " $f$ " is continuous function.

Proof:- since  $f$  is uniformly continuous so for every  $\epsilon > 0 \exists \delta > 0$  such that

$$|f(x) - f(y)| < \epsilon \text{ whenever } |x - y| < \delta, \forall x, y \in I.$$

Let  $y = a \in I$  Then from above we have

$$|f(x) - f(a)| < \epsilon \text{ where } |x - a| < \delta$$

$\Rightarrow$  " $f$ " is continuous at " $a$ " but " $a$ " is arbitrary.

$\Rightarrow$  So " $f$ " is continuous on  $I$ .

Theorem:- Every continuous function " $f$ " defined on  $[a, b]$  is uniformly continuous.

Proof:- Given " $f$ " is continuous on  $[a, b]$  we show that " $f$ " is uniformly continuous by that theorem for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , the interval  $[a, b]$  can be ~~the~~ divided into sub-intervals say

$$I_1 = [a_1, b_1], I_2 = [a_2, b_2], \dots, I_n = [a_n, b_n]$$



such that

$|f(x') - f(x'')| < \epsilon$  where  $x', x''$  lies in same sub-intervals.

Let  $\delta = \min\{\delta(I_1), \delta(I_2), \dots, \delta(I_n)\}$

Let  $x', x'' \in [a, b]$  such that  $|x' - x''| < \delta$

Then there are two cases:

Case (i) :-  $x', x''$  belong to the same interval. Then  $|f(x') - f(x'')| < \epsilon$  whenever  $x', x'' \in$  same sub-interval.

Case (ii) :- Both  $x', x''$  lies in the adjacent sub-interval, then there exists  $x_r \in [a, b]$

such that  $|x' - x''| = |x' - x_r| + |x_r - x''|$

Then  $x', x_r$  belong to one interval from  $I_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$ .

and  $x'', x_r$  belong to ~~another~~ another interval from  $I_j$ ,  $j = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$ .

So by previous Theorem we have

$|f(x') - f(x_r)| < \epsilon/2$  for  $x', x''$  belong to the same interval.

and  $|f(x_r) - f(x'')| < \epsilon/2$  for " "

Now

$$\begin{aligned} |f(x') - f(x'')| &= |f(x') - f(x_r) + f(x_r) - f(x'')| \\ &\leq |f(x') - f(x_r)| + |f(x_r) - f(x'')| \\ &< \epsilon/2 + \epsilon/2 = \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

$|f(x') - f(x'')| < \epsilon$  for  $|x' - x''| < \delta$

Hence  $f$  is uniformly continuous.



Example: Show that  $f(x) = x^2$  is not uniformly continuous on  $(0, \infty)$ .

Solution: Let  $\epsilon = 1$  and  $\delta > 0$   
 let  $y = \frac{1}{\delta}$  and  $x = \frac{1}{\delta} + \frac{\delta}{2}$

Now

$$|x - y| = \left| \frac{1}{\delta} + \frac{\delta}{2} - \frac{1}{\delta} \right| = \left| \frac{\delta}{2} \right| < \delta$$

$$\Rightarrow |x - y| < \delta$$

Now

$$|f(x) - f(y)| = \left| \left( \frac{1}{\delta} + \frac{\delta}{2} \right)^2 - \frac{1}{\delta^2} \right|$$

$$= \left| \frac{1}{\delta^2} + 1 + \frac{\delta^2}{4} - \frac{1}{\delta^2} \right|$$

$$= \left| 1 + \frac{\delta^2}{4} \right| > 1 = \epsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow |f(x) - f(y)| > 1 = \epsilon$$

$\Rightarrow$  " $f$ " is not uniformly continuous.

Q: Show that  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$  is not <sup>uniformly</sup> continuous on  $(0, \infty)$ .

Solution:  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ , choose  $\epsilon = 1$   
 and  $\delta > 0$ .

let  $y = \min(\delta, 1)$ ,  $x = \frac{y}{2}$

Now

$$|x - y| = \left| \frac{y}{2} - y \right| = \left| -\frac{y}{2} \right| = \frac{y}{2} \leq \frac{\delta}{2} < \delta$$

i.e.  $x, y \in (0, \infty)$  such that  $|x - y| < \delta$

Now

$$|f(x) - f(y)| = \left| \frac{2}{y} - \frac{1}{y} \right| = \frac{1}{y} \geq 1$$

Babar Registrar " $f$ " is not uniformly continuous