

## Quiz !

① Favorite Food = \_\_\_\_.

② Finish the definition:  
A limit point  $x$  of a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$   
is ...

③ State the Bolzano-Weierstrass Thm.

④ Give the sequential definition of "compact set".

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## Connected Sets & Disconnected Sets.

Given a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ , we say  
that  $\{A_1, A_2\}$  is a separation of  $A$   
if  $A = A_1 \cup A_2$ ,  $A_1 \cap A_2 = \emptyset$ ,  $A_i \neq \emptyset$ ,  
(i.e.  $A_1$  &  $A_2$  are disjoint), and  $A_2 \neq \emptyset$ ,  
 $\exists U_1, U_2$  open  $U_1 \cap U_2 = \emptyset$  s.t.-  
 $A_1 = A \cap U_1$   
 $A_2 = A \cap U_2$ .

picture A



We say A is disconnected if  
 $\exists$  a separation  $\{A_1, A_2\}$  of A.

A set is connected if it is  
not disconnected, i.e. there does  
not exist a separation of A.

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Lemma: Intervals in  $\mathbb{R}$  are connected.  
e.g.  $(1, \infty)$ ,  $[2, 7]$ ,  $(-\infty, +3]$ ,  
 $(1, 2)$ .

Thm. The only connected sets  
in  $\mathbb{R}$  are intervals.

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## New Topic : Functional limits

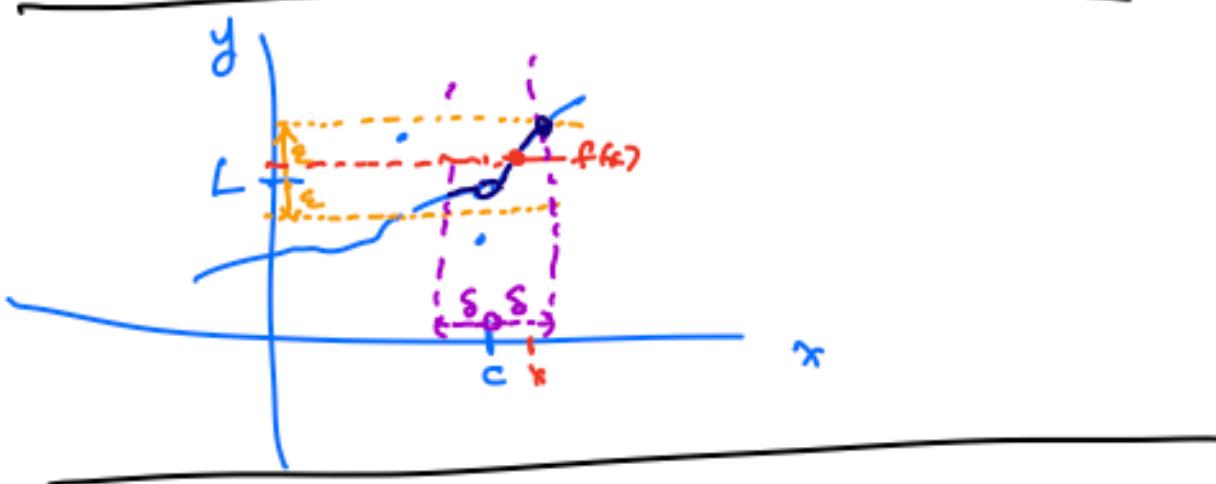
### & Continuity .

Definition Let  $f: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function, where  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ . Let  $c$  be a limit point of  $A$ .

We say  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = L \iff$

$\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$  s.t.

$\forall x \in A$  s.t.  $0 < |x - c| < \delta$ ,  
then  $|f(x) - L| < \varepsilon$ . so far  
 $x \neq c$



**Exercise 4.2.5.** Use Definition 4.2.1 to supply a proper proof for the following limit statements.

- (a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} (3x + 4) = 10.$
- (b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^3 = 0.$
- (c)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} (x^2 + x - 1) = 5.$
- (d)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} 1/x = 1/3.$

$$\textcircled{a} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} (3x + 4) = 10$$

Scratch work: Domain of  $f(x) = 3x + 4 \rightsquigarrow \mathbb{R}$ .

Goal:  $|f(x) - L| < \varepsilon$

$$|3x + 4 - 10| < \varepsilon$$

$$\Leftrightarrow |3x - 6| < \varepsilon$$

Need  $|x - 2| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$

$$|3(x - 2)| < \varepsilon$$

$$3|x - 2| < \varepsilon$$

$$|x - 2| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$$

$$|x - 2| < \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{3}\right) \leftarrow \delta$$

Pf.  $\forall \varepsilon > 0$ , let  $\delta = \frac{\varepsilon}{3} > 0$ . Then,

if  $0 < |x - 2| < \delta = \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$ ,

then  $|3(x-2)| < \epsilon$   
 $\Rightarrow |3x-6| < \epsilon \Rightarrow |3x+4-10| < \epsilon.$

Thus  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} 3x+4 = 10.$   $\blacksquare$

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(b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^3 = 0$

Scratch: Domain of  $x^3 \in \mathbb{R}.$

Want  $|x^3 - 0| < \epsilon \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} \text{Need } |x-0| < s \\ \text{or } |x| < \epsilon^{1/3} \end{array} \right.$

$\Leftrightarrow |x^3| < \epsilon$

$\uparrow$   
 $|x|^3 < \epsilon$

$\sqrt[3]{x} \text{ increasing} \Rightarrow |x| < \epsilon^{1/3} \delta.$

Pf.:  $\forall \epsilon > 0$ , let  $\delta = \epsilon^{1/3} > 0.$

Then if  $0 < |x-0| < \delta = \epsilon^{1/3}$ ,

$$|x|^3 < \delta^3 = \epsilon \quad \left( \text{since } x^3 \text{ is increasing} \right)$$

$$\therefore |x^3 - 0| < \epsilon.$$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^3 = 0. \quad \blacksquare$$


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$$\textcircled{C} \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} (x^2 + x - 1) = 5$$

Scratch Want:

Need  
 $|x-2| < \delta$

$$|x^2 + x - 1 - 5| < \varepsilon$$

$$|x^2 + x - 6| < \varepsilon$$

$$|(x+3)(x-2)| < \varepsilon$$

$$(x+3) |x-2| < \varepsilon$$

$$|x+3| |x-2| < \underline{6} |x-2| < \varepsilon \quad \begin{matrix} \text{Need} \\ \delta \leq 1 \end{matrix}$$

If  $|x-2| < 1$

$$1 < x < 3$$

$$4 < x+3 < 6$$

$$4 < |x+3| < 6$$

$$|x-2| < \left(\frac{2}{6}\right) \delta$$

$$\text{Let } \delta = \min\{\varepsilon, \frac{2}{6}\}.$$

Pf.  $\forall \varepsilon > 0$ , let  $\delta = \min\{\varepsilon, \frac{\varepsilon}{6}\} > 0$ .

Then, if  $0 < |x-2| < \delta = \min\{\varepsilon, \frac{\varepsilon}{6}\}$ ,  
then  $|x-2| < \frac{\varepsilon}{6}$

$$\Rightarrow 6|x-2| < \varepsilon$$

Since  $|x-2| < 1$ ,  $2-1 < x < 2+1 \Rightarrow 1 < x < 3$   
 $\Rightarrow 4 < x+3 < 6$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore |x+3| |x-2| &< 6|x-2| < \varepsilon \\ &\Rightarrow |(x+3)(x-2)| < \varepsilon \\ &\Rightarrow |x^2+x-6| < \varepsilon \\ &\Rightarrow |x^2+x-1 - 5| < \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} x^2+x-1 = 5$ .  $\square$

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(d) Prove  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{3}$ .

Scratch: Domain of  $\frac{1}{x}$ :  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ .

$0 < |x-3| < 8 \Rightarrow$  Need  $\left| \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{3} \right| < \varepsilon$

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{3-x}{3x} \right| &< \varepsilon \\ \Leftrightarrow \frac{|3-x|}{3|x|} &< \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{1}{3|x|}|x-3| = \frac{|x-3|}{3|x|} \leq \frac{1}{6}|x-3| < \varepsilon$$

Let  $\delta \leq 1$

$$|x-3| < 6\varepsilon$$

$$0 < |x-3| < 1$$

We will need

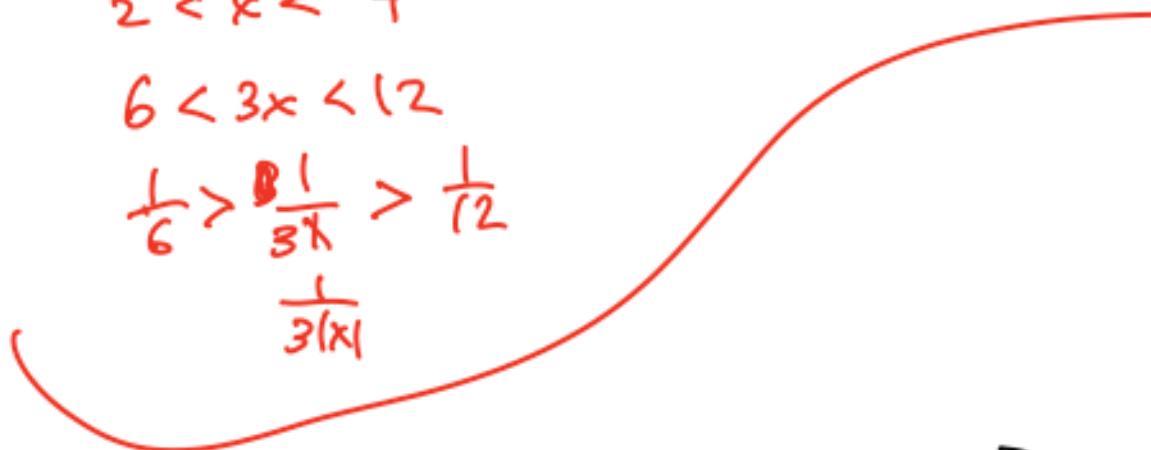
$$\begin{aligned} |x-3| &< 1 \\ 3-1 &< x < 3+1 \\ 2 &< x < 4 \end{aligned}$$

$$\delta = \min\{1, 6\varepsilon\}.$$

$$6 < 3x < 12$$

$$\frac{1}{6} > \frac{1}{3x} > \frac{1}{12}$$

$$\frac{1}{3|x|}$$



Pf: If  $\varepsilon > 0$ , let  $\delta = \min\{1, 6\varepsilon\}$ .

Then, if  $0 < |x-3| < \delta = \min\{1, 6\varepsilon\}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{then } |x-3| &< 6\varepsilon \\ \Rightarrow \frac{1}{6}|x-3| &< \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

Since  $|x-3| < 1$ ,

$$3-1 < x < 3+1$$

$$2 < x < 4$$

$$6 < 3x < 12$$

$$\frac{1}{6} > \frac{1}{3x} = \frac{1}{3|x|} > \frac{1}{12}.$$

Then

$$\frac{1}{3|x|}|x-3| < \varepsilon$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \left| \frac{x-3}{3x} \right| &< \varepsilon \\ \Rightarrow \left| \frac{3-x}{3x} \right| &< \varepsilon \\ \Rightarrow \left| \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{3} \right| &< \varepsilon.\end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{3}$ . 

Equivalent versions of the defn  
of functional limit:

Thm The following are equivalent:

Let  $f: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $c$  be a limit point of  $A$ .

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = L$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad (\text{Topological version}) \quad \text{For every } \varepsilon > 0, \\ \exists \delta > 0 \text{ s.t. } f((V_\delta(c) \cap A) \setminus \{c\}) \subseteq V_\varepsilon(L).$$

$$f(S) = \{f(x) : x \in S\}.$$

③ (Sequential Criterion)

For every sequence  $(x_n)$  s.t.

$$x_n \rightarrow c, x_n \in A \setminus \{c\} \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

we have  $f(x_n) \rightarrow L$ .

### Algebraic Limit Theorem for Functional Limits, (ALTF)

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

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x) = M.$$

Then ④  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} (f(x) \pm g(x)) = L \pm M$ .

⑤  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} (f(x) \cdot g(x)) = L \cdot M$ .

⑥  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \left( \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \right) = \frac{L}{M}$ ,

if  $g(x) \neq 0$  near  $x=c$  and  
 $M \neq 0$ .

⑦  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \sqrt{f(x)} = \sqrt{L}$

if  $f(x) \geq 0$  near  $x=c$ ,  $L \geq 0$ .

OLTFL: If  $f(x) \leq g(x) \quad \forall x \in A$   
and  $c$  is a limit pt of  $A$ ,  
and if  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = L$   
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x) = M$ .  
Then  $L \leq M$ .

Special Limits:  $K \in \mathbb{R}$

- $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} K = K$ . (any  $\delta$  works)
- $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} x = c$  ( $\delta = \epsilon$ )

"Corollary" - limits of rational functions  
& fns involving square roots of  
rational fns are what you think.