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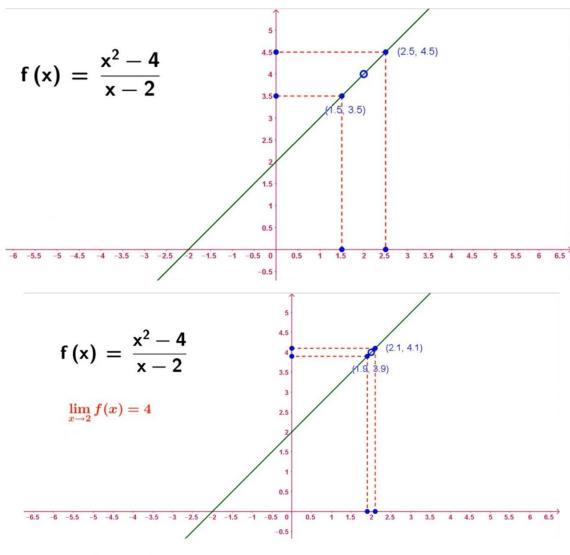
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# Section 2.1

# تعريف النهاية - DEFINITION OF LIMIT

# النهاية باستخدام التعريف - FORMAL DEFINITION OF LIMIT

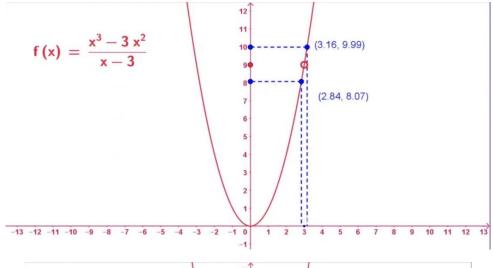


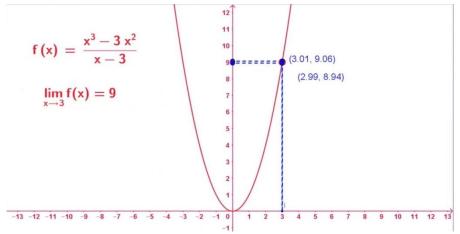
$$\lim_{x\to 2} \left(\frac{x^2-4}{x-2}\right) = \lim_{x\to 2} \frac{(x-2)(x+2)}{(x-2)} = \lim_{x\to 2} (x+2) = 4$$

**EXAMPLE 2.1.1** Estimate the value of the following limit.

$$\lim_{x \to 3} \frac{x^3 - 3x^2}{x - 3}$$

Solution



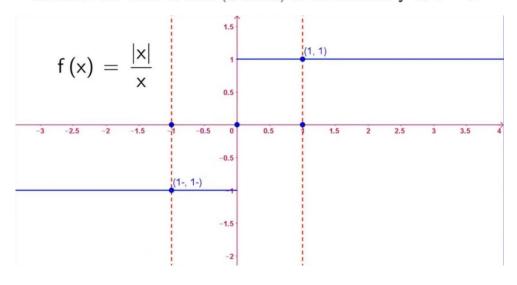


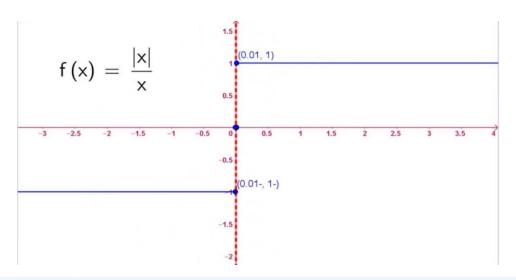
$$\lim_{x \to 3} \frac{x^3 - 3x^2}{x - 3} = \lim_{x \to 3} \frac{x^2 (x - 3)}{x - 3} = \lim_{x \to 3} x^2 = 9$$

**EXAMPLE 2.1.2** Let

$$f(x) = \frac{|x|}{x} = \begin{cases} 1, & x > 0 \\ -1, & x < 0 \end{cases}$$

Estimate the value of limit (if exists) of the function f at x = 0.





## **DEFINITION 2.1.1 (Limit of a Function)**

Let f be a function defined on an open interval containing a (except possibly at a itself) and let  $L \in \mathbb{R}$ , the statement

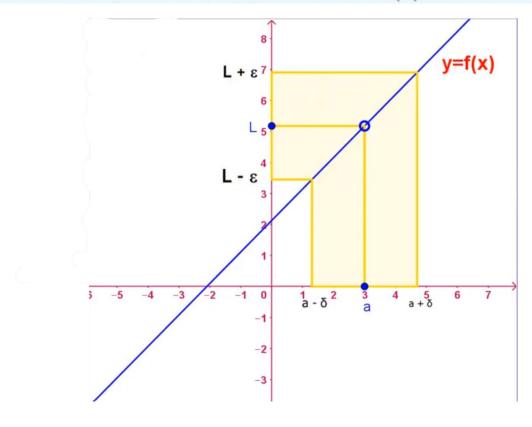
$$\lim_{x \to a} f(x) = L$$

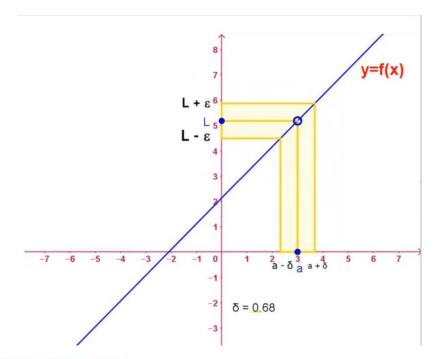
means that for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there is a  $\delta > 0$  such that

if 
$$0<\left|x-a\right|<\delta$$
 , then  $\left|f\left(x\right)-L\right| .$ 

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if 
$$a - \delta < x < a + \delta$$
, then  $L - \varepsilon < f(x) < L + \varepsilon$ .





**EXAMPLE 2.1.3** Using Definition of Limit, show that

Solution 
$$\lim_{x\to 3} 4x = 12$$
 Solution 
$$\inf_{x\to 3} 0 < \left|x-3\right| < \delta \text{ , then } \left|4x-12\right| < \varepsilon$$
 
$$\left|4x-12\right| < \varepsilon$$
 
$$\left|4(x-3)\right| < \varepsilon$$
 
$$4\left|x-3\right| < \varepsilon$$
 
$$\left|x-3\right| < \frac{\varepsilon}{4}$$
 Let  $0 < \left|x-3\right| < \frac{\varepsilon}{4} = \delta$  than  $\left|4x-12\right| < \varepsilon$ 

**EXAMPLE 2.1.4** Using Definition of Limit, show that

$$\lim_{x\to -2} \left(3x+7\right) = 1$$
 Solution if  $0<\left|x+2\right|<\delta$ , then  $\left|\left(3x+7\right)-1\right|<\varepsilon$  
$$\left|\left(3x+7\right)-1\right|<\varepsilon$$
 
$$\left|3x+6\right|<\varepsilon$$
 
$$\left|3(x+2)\right|<\varepsilon$$
 
$$3\left|x+2\right|<\varepsilon$$
 
$$\left|x+2\right|<\frac{\varepsilon}{3}$$

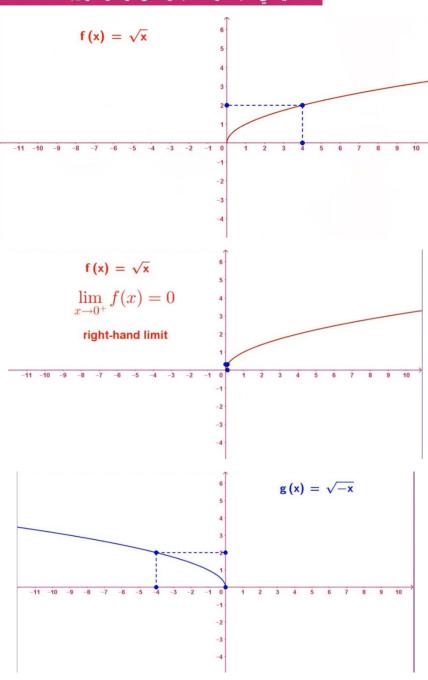
Let 
$$0 < |x + 2| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3} = \delta$$
 than  $|(3x+7) - 1| < \varepsilon$ 

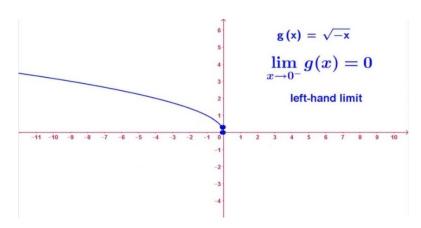
# A) Use definition of limit to show that $\lim_{x\to 2} (2x+3) = 7$

Solution 
$$|(2x+3) - 7| < \epsilon$$
 
$$|2x - 4| < \epsilon$$
 
$$|2(x - 2)| < \epsilon$$
 
$$|x - 2| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

Let 
$$0 < |x - 2| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \delta$$
 than  $|(2x+3) - 7| < \varepsilon$ 

# النهاية في أنجاه واحد (اليمني ،و اليسري) - ONE - SIDED LIMITS





#### THEOREM 2.1.1

Let  $L \in \mathbb{R}$ , then

$$\lim_{x\to a} f(x) = L \quad \text{if and only if} \quad \lim_{x\to a^-} f(x) = \lim_{x\to a^+} f(x) = L$$

# تعريف النهاية في أنهاه واهد DEFINITION (One Sided-Limit)

# **DEFINITION 2.1.2 (One Sided-Limit)**

a. Right-Hand Limit (Limit from the Right)

Let f be a function defined on an open interval (a, c). Then

$$\lim_{x\to a^+}f(x)=L$$

means that for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there is a  $\delta > 0$  such that

if 
$$a < x < a + \delta$$
, then  $|f(x) - L| < \varepsilon$ 

b. Left-Hand Limit (Limit from the Left)

Let f be a function defined on an open interval (c,a). Then

$$\lim_{x \to a^{-}} f(x) = L$$

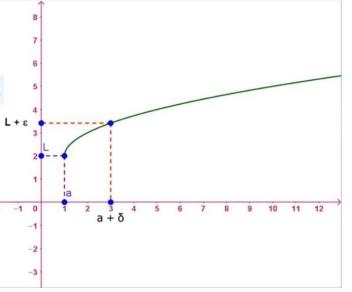
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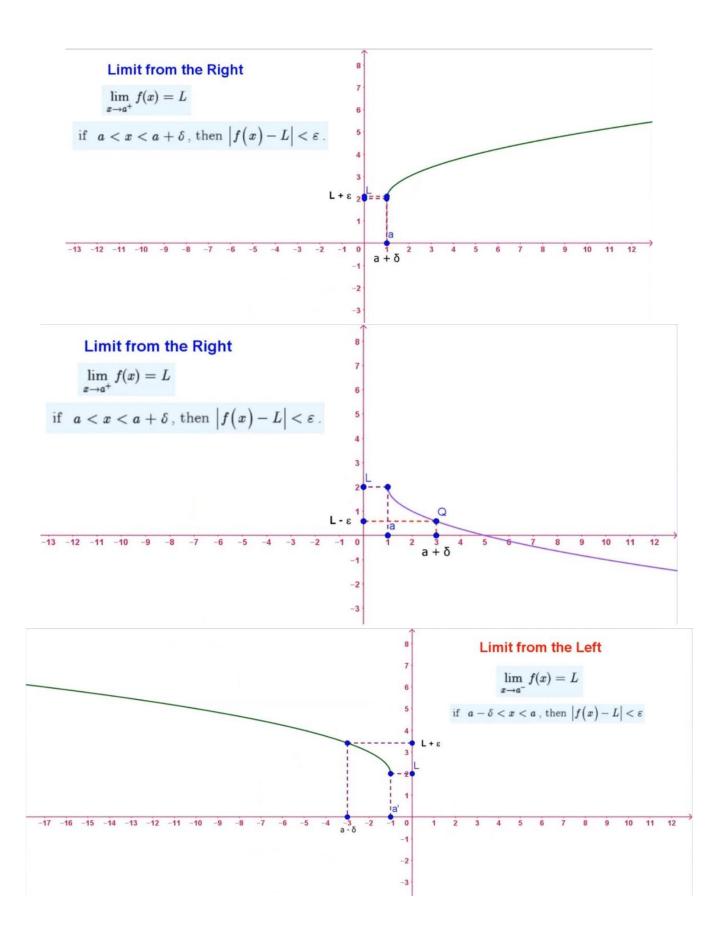
if 
$$a - \delta < x < a$$
, then  $\left| f(x) - L \right| < \varepsilon$ .

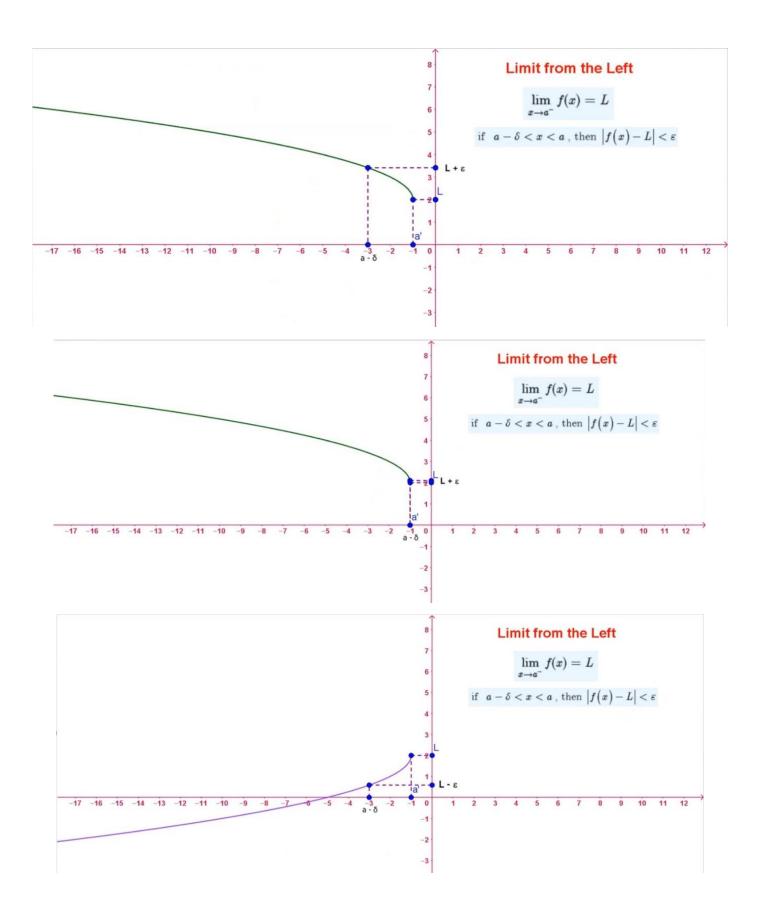
# Limit from the Right

$$\lim_{x\to a^+}f(x)=L$$

if  $a < x < a + \delta$ , then  $\left| f \left( x \right) - L \right| < \varepsilon$ .







EXAMPLE 2.1.6 Using definition of one sided limit, show that

a. 
$$\lim_{x\to 2^+} \sqrt{x-2} = 0$$

if  $2 < x < 2 + \delta$  , then  $\left| \sqrt{x-2} - 0 \right| = \left| \sqrt{x-2} \right| < arepsilon$ 

Let  $2 < x < 2 + \delta \implies 0 < x - 2 < \delta \implies \sqrt{x - 2} < \sqrt{\delta} \implies |\sqrt{x - 2}| < \sqrt{\delta}$ 

choosing  $\sqrt{\delta} \leq \varepsilon \implies |\sqrt{x-2}| < \sqrt{\delta} \leq \varepsilon$ 

b. 
$$\lim_{x\to 2^-} \sqrt{2-x} = 0$$

**Solution** if  $2-\delta < x < 2$ , then  $|\sqrt{2-x}-0| = |\sqrt{2-x}| < \varepsilon$ 

Let  $2 - \delta < x < 2 \Longrightarrow - \delta < x - 2 < 0 \Longrightarrow \delta > 2 - x > 0 \Longrightarrow \sqrt{2 - x} < \sqrt{\delta} \Longrightarrow |\sqrt{2 - x}| < \sqrt{\delta}$ 

choosing  $\sqrt{\delta} \le \epsilon \implies |\sqrt{2-x}| < \sqrt{\delta} \le \epsilon$ 

RELATED PROBLEM 3 Using definition of one sided limit, show that

a.  $\lim_{x \to \frac{1}{2}^+} \sqrt{x - \frac{1}{3}} = 0$ 

b.  $\lim_{x \to \frac{1}{2}^{-}} \sqrt{\frac{1}{3} - x} = 0$ 

Answer

a. Hint: Choose  $\sqrt{\delta} < \varepsilon$ .

**b.** Hint: Choose  $\sqrt{\delta} \leq \varepsilon$ .

# Section 2.2

# IMITS LAWS عناها المناهات

Solution algebraic of limits - المعلى المجبري المصاليات

THEOREM 2.2.1

Let  $a,c \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then

a. 
$$\lim_{x \to a} c = c$$
  $\lim_{x \to 5} 7 = 7$ 

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THEOREM 2.2.2

Let  $a,c\in\mathbb{R}$  . If  $\lim_{x\to a}f(x)$  and  $\lim_{x\to a}g(x)$  both exist, then

a. 
$$\lim_{x \to a} [f(x) + g(x)] = \lim_{x \to a} f(x) + \lim_{x \to a} g(x)$$
 Addition Law

b. 
$$\lim_{x \to a} [f(x) - g(x)] = \lim_{x \to a} f(x) - \lim_{x \to a} g(x)$$
 Subtraction Law

c. 
$$\lim_{x \to a} [f(x) \cdot g(x)] = \lim_{x \to a} f(x) \cdot \lim_{x \to a} g(x)$$
 Product Law

d. 
$$\lim_{x \to a} \left[ \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \right] = \frac{\lim_{x \to a} f(x)}{\lim_{x \to a} g(x)}$$
, provided  $\lim_{x \to a} g(x) \neq 0$ . Quotient Law

e. 
$$\lim_{x \to a} [cf(x)] = c \left[ \lim_{x \to a} f(x) \right]$$

Scalar Multiplication Law

#### **EXAMPLE 2.2.6** Find the following limits (if exist)

Solution

a. 
$$\lim_{x \to 1} \frac{x^2 - x}{x - 1} = \frac{0}{0}$$

$$\lim_{x \to 1} \frac{x^2 - x}{x - 1} = \lim_{x \to 1} \frac{x(x - 1)}{(x - 1)} = \lim_{x \to 1} x = 1$$

b. 
$$\lim_{x \to -3} \frac{x^2 + 2x - 3}{x^3 + 27} = \frac{0}{0}$$

$$\lim_{x \to -3} \frac{x^2 + 2x - 3}{x^3 + 27} = \lim_{x \to -3} \frac{(x+3)(x-1)}{(x+3)(x^2 - 3x + 9)} = \lim_{x \to -3} \frac{(x-1)}{(x^2 - 3x + 9)} = \frac{-4}{27}$$

c. 
$$\lim_{x \to 2} \frac{x^2 - 4}{x^3 - 8} = \frac{0}{0}$$

$$\lim_{x \to 2} \frac{x^2 - 4}{x^3 - 8} = \lim_{x \to 2} \frac{(x - 2)(x + 2)}{(x - 2)(x^2 + 2x + 4)} = \lim_{x \to 2} \frac{(x + 2)}{(x^2 + 2x + 4)} = \frac{4}{12} = \frac{1}{3}$$

d. 
$$\lim_{h \to \frac{1}{2}h - \frac{1}{2}} = \frac{0}{0}$$

$$\lim_{h \to \frac{1}{2}h - \frac{1}{2}} \frac{\frac{1}{h} - 2}{\lim_{h \to \frac{1}{2}} \frac{1}{h} - \frac{1}{h}} = \lim_{h \to \frac{1}{2}} \frac{\frac{-(2h - 1)}{h}}{\frac{2h - 1}{2}} = \lim_{h \to \frac{1}{2}} \frac{\frac{-1}{h}}{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{\frac{-1}{h}}{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{-2}{h} = -4$$

e. 
$$\lim_{h\to 0} \frac{(3+h)^2-9}{h} = \frac{0}{0}$$

$$\lim_{h\to 0} \frac{(3+h)^2 - 9}{h} = \lim_{h\to 0} \frac{(3+h-3)(3+h+3)}{h} = \lim_{h\to 0} \frac{h(6+h)}{h} = \lim_{h\to 0} (6+h) = 6$$

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$$\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{(3+h)^2 - 9}{h} = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{9 + 6h + h^2 - 9}{h} = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{6h + h^2}{h} = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{h(6+h)}{h} = 6$$

**EXAMPLE 2.2.7** Find the following limits (if exist)

#### Solution

a. 
$$\lim_{t \to 0} \frac{\sqrt{t^2 + 9} - 3}{t} = \frac{0}{0}$$

$$\lim_{t\to 0} \frac{\sqrt{t^2+9}-3}{t} = \lim_{t\to 0} \frac{\sqrt{t^2+9}-3}{t} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{t^2+9}+3}{\sqrt{t^2+9}+3} = \lim_{t\to 0} \frac{t^2+9-9}{t(\sqrt{t^2+9}+3)}$$

$$= \lim_{t \to 0} \frac{t^2}{t(\sqrt{t^2 + 9} + 3)} = \lim_{t \to 0} \frac{t}{(\sqrt{t^2 + 9} + 3)} = \frac{0}{6} = 0$$

b. 
$$\lim_{x \to 2} \frac{x-2}{4-\sqrt{x^2+12}} = \frac{0}{0}$$

$$\lim_{x \to 2} \frac{x-2}{4-\sqrt{x^2+12}} = \lim_{x \to 2} \frac{x-2}{4-\sqrt{x^2+12}} \cdot \frac{4+\sqrt{x^2+12}}{4+\sqrt{x^2+12}}$$

$$= \lim_{x \to 2} \frac{(x-2)(4+\sqrt{x^2+12})}{16-(x^2+12)} = \lim_{x \to 2} \frac{(x-2)(4+\sqrt{x^2+12})}{4-x^2}$$

$$= \lim_{x \to 2} \frac{(x-2)(4+\sqrt{x^2+12})}{(2-x)(2+x)} = \lim_{x \to 2} \frac{(x-2)(4+\sqrt{x^2+12})}{-(x-2)(2+x)}$$
$$= \lim_{x \to 2} \frac{(4+\sqrt{x^2+12})}{-(2+x)} = -2$$

C) Evaluate each of the following limits (if exist):

#### Solution

3) 
$$\lim_{x \to 3} \frac{\sqrt{x+1} - 2}{x^2 - 9} = \frac{0}{0}$$

$$\lim_{x \to 3} \frac{\sqrt{x+1} - 2}{x^2 - 9} = \lim_{x \to 3} \frac{\sqrt{x+1} - 2}{(x-3)(x+3)} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x+1} + 2}{\sqrt{x+1} + 2}$$

$$= \lim_{x \to 3} \frac{x+1-4}{(x-3)(x+3)\sqrt{x+1}+2} = \lim_{x \to 3} \frac{1}{(x+3)\sqrt{x+1}+2} = \frac{1}{24}$$

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$$x^{2} - y^{2} = (x-y)(x+y)$$
  
 $x^{3} \pm y^{3} = (x \pm y)(x^{2} \mp xy + y^{2})$ 

$$(x \pm y)^2 = x^2 \pm 2xy + y^2$$

$$(x + y)^3 = x^3 + 3 x^2 y + 3 x y^2 + y^3$$

$$(x - y)^3 = x^3 - 3 x^2 y + 3 x y^2 - y^3$$

## المنهايات باستخدام الدوال الثلثيية -LIMITS INVOLVING TRIGONOMETRIC FUNCTIONS

THEOREM 2.2.6 (The Sandwich (Squeeze) Theorem)

نظرية السندويش

If  $g(x) \leq f(x) \leq h(x)$  for every x in an open interval containing a real number c (except possibly at c itself), and

$$\lim_{x\to c}g\left(x\right)=L=\lim_{x\to c}h\left(x\right)$$
 , then  $\lim_{x\to c}f\left(x\right)=L$  .

**EXAMPLE 2.2.9** Use Sandwich Theorem to evaluate

$$\lim_{x \to 0} \left[ x^2 \cos \left( \frac{1}{x} \right) \right], x \neq 0$$

Solution

 $-1 \le \cos\left(\frac{1}{r}\right) \le 1 \implies -x^2 \le x^2 \cos\left(\frac{1}{r}\right) \le x^2$ 

$$\lim_{x \to 0} x^2 = 0 \quad and \quad \lim_{x \to 0} -x^2 = 0 \quad than \quad \lim_{x \to 0} x^2 \cos\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = 0$$

**HOMEWORK** 

5) 
$$\lim_{x\to 0} x^2 \cos\left(\frac{3}{x}\right)$$

THEOREM 2.2.7

 $\lim \sin \theta = 0$ 

b.  $\lim \cos \theta = 1$ 

COROLLARY 2.2.1

 $\lim \sin x = \sin a$ 

b.  $\lim \cos x = \cos a$ 

COROLLARY 2.2.2

 $\lim_{x\to a} \tan x = \tan a, a \neq \frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ 

b.  $\lim \cot x = \cot a, \quad a \neq n\pi, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ 

 $\lim_{x\to a}\sec x=\sec a\;,\quad a\neq\frac{\pi}{2}+n\pi,n\in\mathbb{Z}\qquad \text{d.}\quad \lim_{x\to a}\csc x=\csc a,\quad a\neq n\pi,n\in\mathbb{Z}$ 

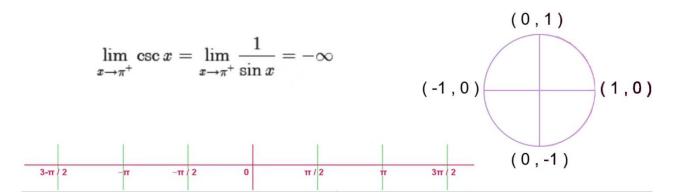
When  $a = n\pi + \frac{\pi}{2}, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , then

 $\lim_{x \to a^{\pm}} \tan x = \lim_{x \to a^{\pm}} \sec x = \infty \text{ or } -\infty$ 

Similarly, when  $a = n\pi$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , then

 $\lim_{x \to a^{\pm}} \cot x = \lim_{x \to a^{\pm}} \csc x = \infty \text{ or } -\infty$ 

$$\lim_{x \to -\frac{\pi}{2}^-} \tan x = \lim_{x \to -\frac{\pi}{2}^-} \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} = \infty$$



# **EXAMPLE 2.2.10** Find the following limits (if exist)

# Solution

a. 
$$\lim_{x\to 0} \sec x = \lim_{x\to 0} \frac{1}{\cos x} = 1$$

b. 
$$\lim_{x \to \pi} (x \cos x) = (\lim_{x \to \pi} x) (\lim_{x \to \pi} \cos x) = \pi(-1) = -\pi$$

c. 
$$\lim_{x \to \frac{\pi}{4}} \sin^2 x = \left( \lim_{x \to \frac{\pi}{4}} \sin x \right)^2 = \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right)^2 = \frac{1}{2}.$$

## THEOREM 2.2.8

a. 
$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = 1$$

b. 
$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{1 - \cos x}{x} = 0$$

# **EXAMPLE**

$$\lim_{x\to 0} \frac{\sin(3x)}{x} = \lim_{x\to 0} \frac{3.\sin(3x)}{3x} = 3$$

$$\lim_{x\to 0} \frac{\sin(3x)}{5x} = \lim_{x\to 0} \frac{3.\sin(3x)}{5.3x} = \frac{3}{5}$$

#### COROLLARY 2.2.3

Let a and b be two real numbers such that both different from zero. Then

a. 
$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\sin(ax)}{bx} = \frac{a}{b}$$

b. 
$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\tan(ax)}{bx} = \frac{a}{b}$$

$$c. \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{x}{\sin x} = 1$$

## **EXAMPLE 2.2.11** Find

a. 
$$\lim_{x\to 0} \frac{\sin(5x)}{3x} = \frac{0}{0}$$

$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\sin(5x)}{3x} = \frac{5}{3}$$

b. 
$$\lim_{\theta \to 0} \frac{\tan \theta}{2\theta} = \frac{0}{0}$$

$$\lim_{\theta \to 0} \frac{\tan \theta}{2\theta} = \frac{1}{2}$$

c. 
$$\lim_{t \to 0} \frac{\sin(2t) + 1 - \cos t}{3t} = \frac{0}{0}$$

$$\lim_{t\to 0}\frac{\sin(2t)+1-\cos t}{3t}=\lim_{t\to 0}\frac{\sin(2t)}{3t}+\frac{1-\cos t}{3t}$$

$$= \lim_{t \to 0} \frac{\sin(2t)}{3t} + \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1 - \cos t}{t} = \frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{3} \cdot 0 = \frac{2}{3}$$

d. 
$$\lim_{x\to 0} \frac{\tan(2x)}{\sqrt{3x+1}-1} = \frac{0}{0}$$

$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\tan(2x)}{\sqrt{3x+1}-1} = \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\tan(2x)}{\sqrt{3x+1}-1} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3x+1}+1}{\sqrt{3x+1}+1}$$

$$= \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\tan(2x)\sqrt{3x+1}+1}{(3x+1)-1} = \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\tan(2x)\sqrt{3x+1}+1}{3x}$$

$$= \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\tan(2x)}{3x} \cdot \sqrt{3x+1} + 1 = \frac{2}{3} \cdot 2 = \frac{4}{3}$$

e. 
$$\lim_{x \to 6} \frac{\sin(x-6)}{x^2 - 5x - 6} = \frac{0}{0}$$

$$\lim_{x\to 6} \frac{\sin(x-6)}{x^2 - 5x - 6} = \lim_{x\to 6} \frac{\sin(x-6)}{(x-6)(x+1)} = \lim_{x\to 6} \frac{\sin(x-6)}{(x-6)} \cdot \frac{1}{(x+1)} = 1 \cdot \frac{1}{7} = \frac{1}{7}$$

f. 
$$\lim_{x \to \pi} \frac{\sin x}{x - \pi} = \frac{0}{0}$$

Let 
$$y = x - \pi \implies x = y + \pi$$

if  $x \longrightarrow \pi$  than  $y \longrightarrow 0$ 

$$\lim_{x \to \pi} \frac{\sin x}{x - \pi} = \lim_{y \to 0} \frac{\sin(y + \pi)}{y} = \lim_{y \to 0} \frac{\sin(y)\cos(\pi) + \sin(\pi)\cos(y)}{y}$$

$$= \lim_{y \to 0} \frac{\sin(y)(-1) + 0 \cdot \cos(y)}{y} = \lim_{y \to 0} \frac{-\sin(y)}{y} = -1$$

RELATED PROBLEM 6 Find the following limits

c. 
$$\lim_{x\to 1} \frac{\sin(x-1)}{\sqrt{x+3}-2} = \frac{0}{0}$$

$$\lim_{x \to 1} \frac{\sin(x-1)}{\sqrt{x+3}-2} = \lim_{x \to 1} \frac{\sin(x-1)}{\sqrt{x+3}-2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x+3}+2}{\sqrt{x+3}+2}$$

$$= \lim_{x \to 1} \frac{\sin(x-1)\sqrt{x+3}+2}{x+3-4} = \lim_{x \to 1} \frac{\sin(x-1)}{x-1} \cdot \sqrt{x+3}+2 = 4$$

d. 
$$\lim_{\theta \to 0} \frac{1 - \cos \theta}{5\theta^2} = \frac{0}{0}$$

$$\lim_{\theta \to 0} \frac{1 - \cos \theta}{5\theta^2} = \lim_{\theta \to 0} \frac{1 - \cos \theta}{5\theta^2} \cdot \frac{1 + \cos \theta}{1 + \cos \theta} = \lim_{\theta \to 0} \frac{1 - \cos^2 \theta}{5\theta^2 \cdot 1 + \cos \theta}$$

$$= \lim_{\theta \to 0} \left( \frac{\sin \theta}{\theta} \right)^2 \cdot \frac{1}{\frac{5}{(1+\cos \theta)}} = \frac{1}{10}$$

e. 
$$\lim_{x \to \frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sin x - \cos x}{1 - \tan x} = \frac{0}{0}$$

$$\lim_{x\to\frac{\pi}{4}}\frac{\sin x-\cos x}{1-\tan x}=\lim_{x\to\frac{\pi}{4}}\frac{\sin x-\cos x}{1-\frac{\sin x}{\cos x}}=\lim_{x\to\frac{\pi}{4}}\frac{\sin x-\cos x}{\frac{\cos x-\sin x}{\cos x}}$$

$$= \lim_{x \to \frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{-(\cos x - \sin x)}{\cos x - \sin x} = \lim_{x \to \frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{-1}{\cos x} = \lim_{x \to \frac{\pi}{4}} -\cos x = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

f. 
$$\lim_{\theta \to 0} \frac{\sin(\tan 3\theta)}{\theta} = \frac{0}{0}$$

$$\lim_{\theta \to 0} \frac{\sin(\tan 3\theta)}{\theta} = \lim_{\theta \to 0} \frac{\sin(\tan 3\theta)}{\theta} \cdot \frac{3 \tan 3\theta}{3 \tan 3\theta} = \lim_{\theta \to 0} \frac{\sin(\tan 3\theta)}{\tan 3\theta} \cdot \frac{3 \tan 3\theta}{3\theta} = 3$$

EXAMPLE 2.2.12 Let 
$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\tan(ax)}{x}, & x < 0 \\ 2(x-1) + a^2, & x \ge 0 \end{cases}$$
. Find the value of  $a$  such that  $\lim_{x \to 0} f(x)$ 

$$\lim_{x \to 0^{-}} f(x) = \lim_{x \to 0^{-}} \frac{\tan(ax)}{x} = a$$

$$\lim_{x \to 0^{+}} f(x) = \lim_{x \to 0^{+}} \left( 2(x-1) + a^{2} \right) = -2 + a^{2}$$

$$a = -2 + a^{2}$$

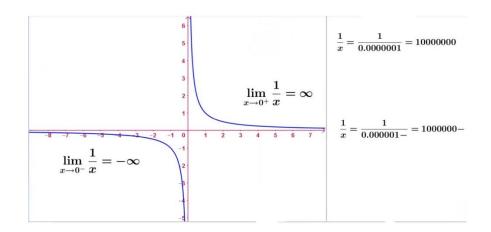
$$\Rightarrow a^{2} - a - 2 = 0$$

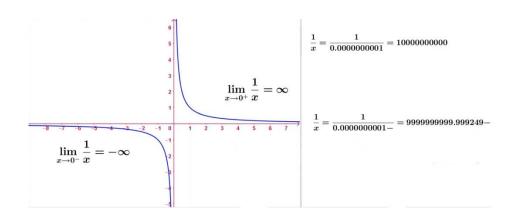
$$(a - 2)(a + 1) = 0$$

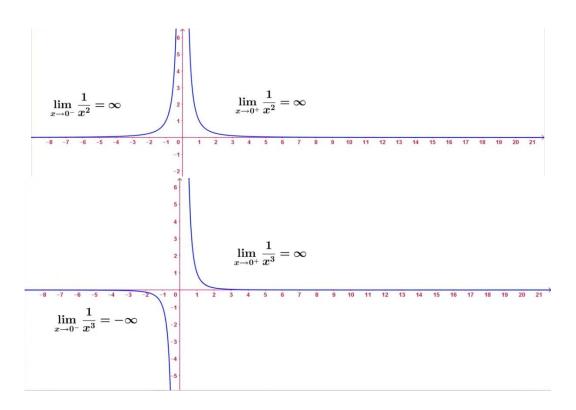
$$= 2 \text{ or } a = -1$$

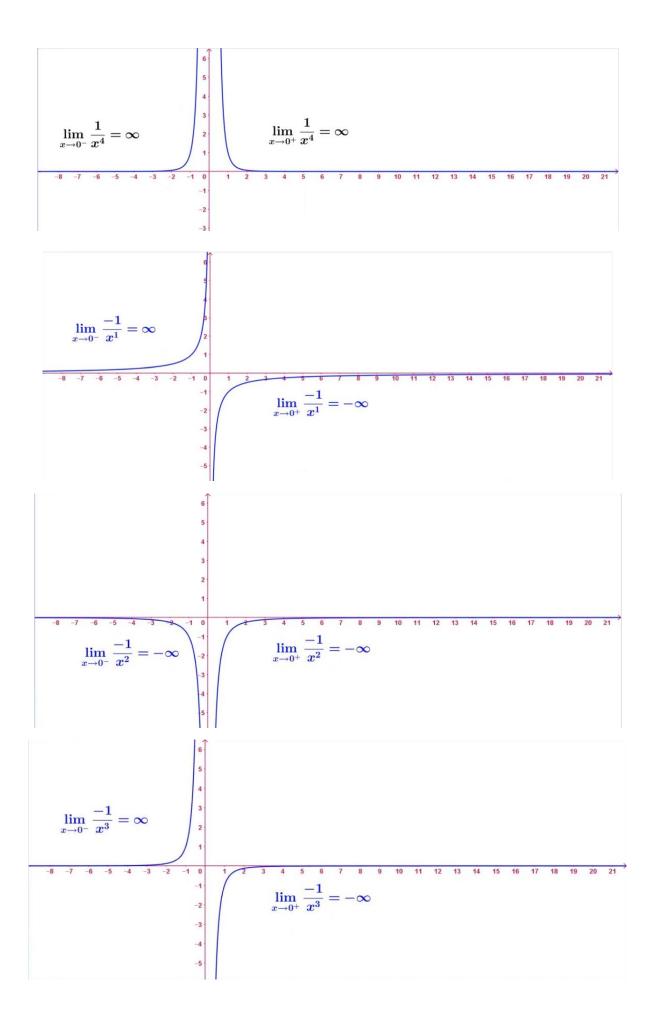
# Section 2.3 LIMITS INVOLVING INFINITY – النهايات باستخدام ما لانهاية

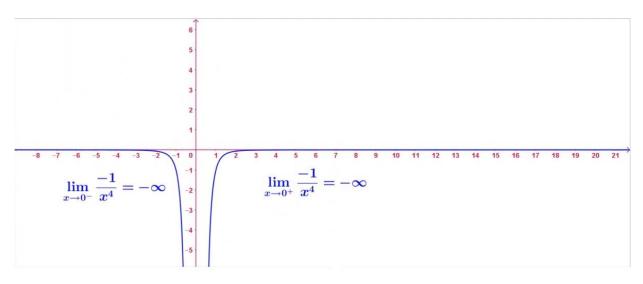
# نهاية الدالة ما لانهاية - INFINITE LIMITS











**EXAMPLE 2.3.1** For the function f in Figure 2.3.5, determine the following limits.

a. 
$$\lim_{x \to -3^-} f(x)$$

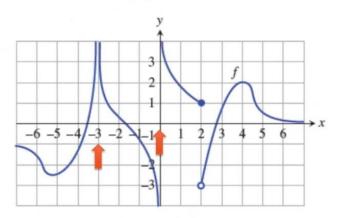
b. 
$$\lim_{x \to -3^+} f(x)$$

c. 
$$\lim_{x \to -3} f(x)$$

d. 
$$\lim_{x\to 0^-} f(x)$$

e. 
$$\lim_{x \to 0^+} f(x)$$

f. 
$$\lim_{x\to 0} f(x)$$



**Figure 2.3.5** 

**EXAMPLE 2.3.1** For the function f in Figure 2.3.5, determine the following limits.

a. 
$$\lim_{x \to -3^-} f(x) = \infty$$

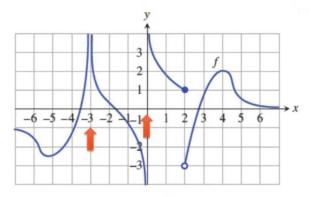
b. 
$$\lim_{x \to -3^+} f(x) = \infty$$

c. 
$$\lim_{x \to -3} f(x) = \infty$$

d. 
$$\lim_{x\to 0^-} f(x) = -\infty$$

e. 
$$\lim_{x\to 0^+} f(x) = \infty$$

f.  $\lim_{x\to 0} f(x)$  does not exists

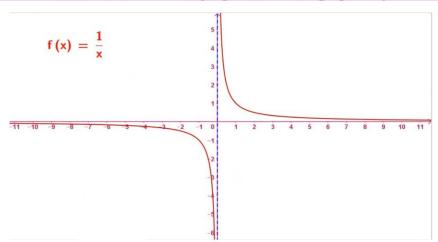


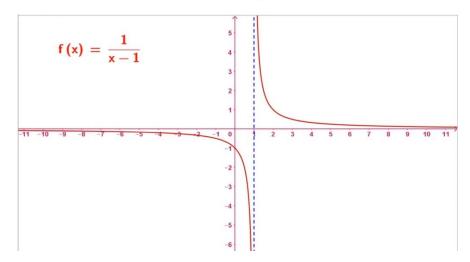
**Figure 2.3.5** 

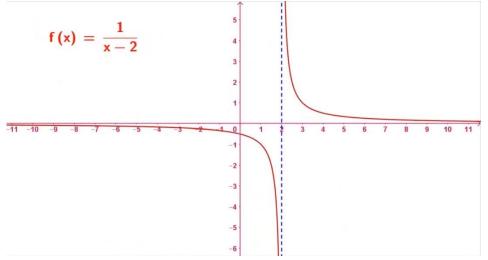
# فها التقارب الرأسي VERTICAL ASYMPTOTE

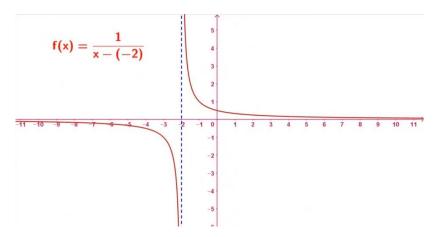
## **DEFINITION 2.3.2**

If a function f approaches  $\infty$  or  $-\infty$  as x approaches a from the right or the left, then, the line x = a is called a vertical asymptote for the graph of f.









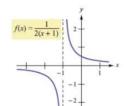
EXAMPLE 2.3.2 Determine all vertical asymptotes of the graph of the following functions حدد الخطوط التقاربية الرأسية لمنحنى الدوال التالية

a. 
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2x+2}$$

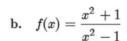
Solution: Let  $2x+2=0 \implies 2x=-2 \implies x=-1$ 

$$\lim_{x \to -1^+} \frac{1}{2x+2} = \lim_{x \to -1^+} \frac{1}{2(x+1)} = \infty$$

$$\lim_{x \to -1^{-}} \frac{1}{2x+2} = \lim_{x \to -1^{-}} \frac{1}{2(x+1)} = -\infty$$

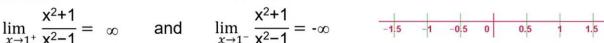


the line x = -1 is a vertical asymptote for f



Solution: Let  $x^2-1 = 0 \implies (x-1)(x+1)=0 \implies x=1, x=-1$ 

$$\lim_{x \to 1^+} \frac{x^2 + 1}{x^2 - 1} = \infty \quad \text{and} \quad$$



the line x = 1 is a vertical asymptote for f.

$$\lim_{x \to -1^+} \frac{x^{2+1}}{x^{2-1}} = -\infty \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{x \to -1^-} \frac{x^{2+1}}{x^{2-1}} = \infty$$

the line x = -1 is a vertical asymptote for f.

c. 
$$f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 2x - 8}{x^2 - 4}$$

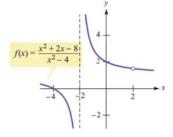
Solution:

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 2x - 8}{x^2 - 4} = \frac{(x - 2)(x + 4)}{(x - 2)(x + 2)} = \frac{x + 4}{x + 2}$$

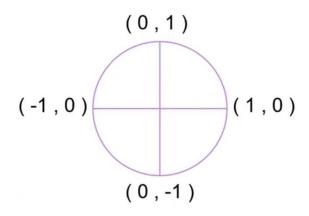
Let 
$$x+2 = 0 \implies x = -2$$

$$\lim_{x \to -2^+} \frac{x+4}{x+2} = \ \infty$$

$$\lim_{x\to -2^-}\frac{x+4}{x+2}=-\infty$$



the line x = -2 is a vertical asymptote for f.



Example 2.3.3 Determine all vertical asymptotes of the graph of  $f(x) = \tan x$ 

$$\tan x = \frac{\sin x}{\cos x}$$

$$\cos x = 0$$
  $\longrightarrow x = \frac{\pi}{2} + n \pi$   $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ 

 $f(x) = \tan x \text{ has } \frac{\text{vertical asymptotes}}{2} \text{ at } x = \frac{\pi}{2} + n \pi \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}$ 

RELATED PROBLEM 1 Determine all vertical asymptotes of the graph of the following functions

a. 
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{3x - 9}$$

b. 
$$f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 4}{x^2 - 8}$$

c. 
$$f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 4x + 3}{x^2 - 1}$$

d. 
$$f(x) = \frac{1 - 5x}{|x| + 3}$$

e. 
$$f(x) = \cot x$$

**Answers** 

a. 
$$x = 3$$

b. 
$$x = -2\sqrt{2}, \ x = 2\sqrt{2}$$
 c.  $x = -1$ 

c. 
$$x = -1$$

e. 
$$x = n\pi, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

## النهاية عند ما لانهاية - LIMITS AT INFINITY

#### REMARK

- a. Limits laws introduced in Section 2.2 still hold for limits involving infinity.
- b. Let p(x) be a polynomial of degree n,  $n \ge 1$ , and let  $a_n$  be the coefficient of  $x^n$  in p(x). Then:

$$\lim_{x \to \pm \infty} p(x) = \lim_{x \to \pm \infty} \left( a_n x^n \right)$$

a. 
$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \left( -2x^3 - 5x^2 + 6x - 3 \right) = \lim_{x \to \infty} \left( -2x^3 \right) = -\infty$$

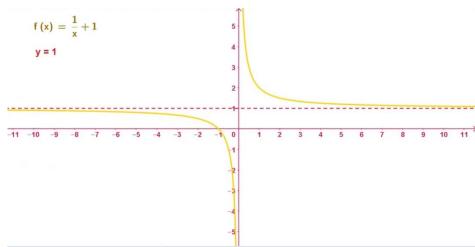
b. 
$$\lim_{x \to -\infty} (7x^3 - 5x^7 + 6x^5 - 3) = \lim_{x \to -\infty} (-5x^7) = \infty$$

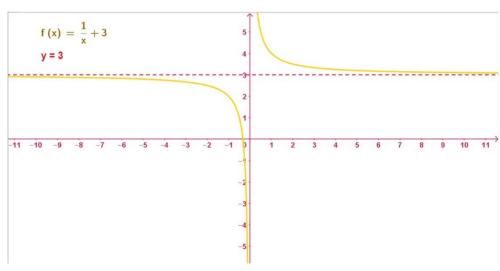
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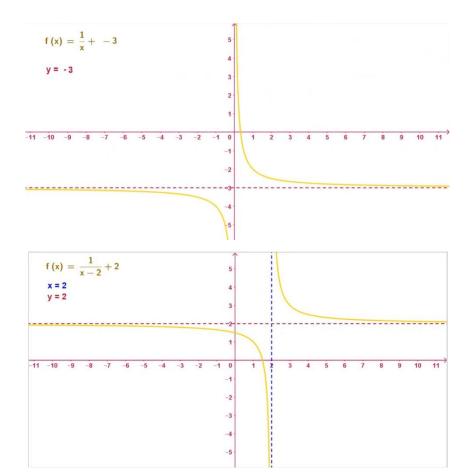
#### **DEFINITION 2.3.4**

The line y = L is called a horizontal asymptote for the graph of f if

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} f(x) = L$$
 or  $\lim_{x \to -\infty} f(x) = L$ 







#### THEOREM 2.3.1

If r is a positive rational number and  $c \neq 0$  is any real number, then

$$\lim_{x\to\infty}\frac{c}{x^r}=0\ \lim_{x\to-\infty}\frac{c}{x^r}=0\ \mathrm{and}$$

provided  $x^r$  is defined.

$$\lim_{x\to\infty}\frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}=\lim_{x\to\infty}\frac{1}{x^{1/2}}=0\,.$$

$$\lim_{x\to\infty}\frac{100}{x^2+5}=0\;.$$

#### COROLLARY 2.3.1

Suppose that  $f(x) = \frac{p(x)}{q(x)}$ , where p(x) and q(x) are polynomials of degrees n and m respectively. Then

a. If n < m, then

$$\lim_{x\to\pm\infty}f(x)=0$$

b. If n = m, then

$$\lim_{x \to \pm \infty} f(x) = \frac{\text{coefficient of } x^n \text{ in } p(x)}{\text{coefficient of } x^m \text{ in } q(x)}$$

c. If n > m, then

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} f(x) = \left( \frac{\text{sign of the coefficient of } x^n \text{ in } p(x)}{\text{sign of the coefficient of } x^m \text{ in } q(x)} \right) (\infty)$$

$$\lim_{x \to -\infty} f(x) = \left( \frac{\text{sign of the coefficient of } x^n \text{ in } p(x)}{\text{sign of the coefficient of } x^m \text{ in } q(x)} \right) (-1)^{n-m} (\infty)$$

#### COROLLARY 2.3.1

Suppose that  $f(x) = \frac{p(x)}{q(x)}$ , where p(x) and q(x) are polynomials of degrees n and mrespectively. Then

a. If 
$$n < m$$
, then  $\lim_{x \to \pm \infty} f(x) = 0$ 

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{3x^2 - x - 1}{x^3 + x + 1} = \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{\frac{3x^2}{x^3} - \frac{x}{x^3} - \frac{1}{x^3}}{\frac{x^3}{x^3} + \frac{x}{x^3} + \frac{1}{x^3}} \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{\frac{3}{x} - \frac{1}{x^2} - \frac{1}{x^3}}{1 + \frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{x^3}} = \frac{0}{1} = 0$$

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{10x^5 + x^4 + 24}{x^6 - x^4 + 1} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\lim_{x \to -\infty} \frac{2x+3}{-3x^2+2x-1} = 0$$

37. 
$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \sqrt{\frac{x^2 - 5x}{x^3 + x - 2}} = 0$$

**b.** If 
$$n = m$$
, then  $\lim_{x \to \pm \infty} f(x) = \frac{\text{coefficient of } x^n \text{ in } p(x)}{\text{coefficient of } x^m \text{ in } q(x)}$ 

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{2x^4 + 3x^3 + x^2 + 4}{5x^4 + 3x^3 + 1} = \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{\frac{2x^4}{x^4} + \frac{3x^3}{x^4} + \frac{x^2}{x^4} + \frac{4}{x^4}}{\frac{5x^4}{x^4} + \frac{2x^3}{x^4} + \frac{1}{x^4}} = \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{2 + \frac{3}{x} + \frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{4}{x^4}}{5 + \frac{2}{x} + \frac{1}{x^4}} = \frac{2}{5}$$

$$\lim_{x \to -\infty} \frac{x+3}{x+2} = \frac{1}{1} = 1$$

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{7x^2 + x - 37}{2x^2 - 5x} = \frac{7}{2}$$

$$\lim_{x \to -\infty} \frac{x - x^2 + 1}{3x^2 + 5x} = -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$\lim_{x \to -\infty} \frac{x - x^2 + 1}{3x^2 + 5x} = -\frac{1}{3} \qquad \lim_{x \to -\infty} \left( \frac{x^2 + x - 1}{8x^2 - 3} \right)^{1/3} = \left( \frac{1}{8} \right)^{1/3} = \frac{1}{2}$$

c. If n > m, then

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} f(x) = \left( \frac{\text{sign of the coefficient of } x^n \text{ in } p(x)}{\text{sign of the coefficient of } x^m \text{ in } q(x)} \right) (\infty)$$

$$\lim_{x \to -\infty} f(x) = \left( \frac{\text{sign of the coefficient of } x^n \text{ in } p(x)}{\text{sign of the coefficient of } x^m \text{ in } q(x)} \right) (-1)^{n-m} (\infty)$$

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{x^6 - 2x + 1}{1 - x^2} = \frac{+}{-} \infty = -\infty$$

$$\lim_{x \to -\infty} \frac{x^6 - 2x + 1}{1 - x^2} = \frac{+}{-} \infty (-1)^{6-2} = -\infty$$

c. 
$$\lim_{x \to -\infty} \frac{-x^5 + x^3 + 1}{x^2 + 1} = \frac{-}{+} \infty (-1)^{5-2} = \infty$$

#### **RELATED PROBLEM 3**

A. Find the following limits (if exist)

a. 
$$\lim_{x \to -\infty} \left( -2x^3 - 7x^2 + 5x - 3 \right)$$
 b.  $\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{x+2}}$ 

c. 
$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{100}{x^2 + x - 5}$$

d. 
$$\lim_{x \to -\infty} \frac{3x^2 + 4x - 1}{x - 3}$$
 e.  $\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{12x^2 + 2x - 13}{4x^2 - 5x}$  f.  $\lim_{x \to -\infty} \frac{2x^2 - 3x + 1}{x^3 - 4}$ 

e. 
$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{12x^2 + 2x - 13}{4x^2 - 5x}$$

f. 
$$\lim_{x \to -\infty} \frac{2x^2 - 3x + 1}{x^3 - 4}$$

g. 
$$\lim_{x \to -\infty} \frac{2x+3}{\sqrt{16x^2-3x}}$$

$$ax +b = x (a + \frac{b}{x})$$

g. 
$$\lim_{x \to -\infty} \frac{2x+3}{\sqrt{16x^2-3x}} = \lim_{x \to -\infty} \frac{x(2+\frac{3}{x})}{\sqrt{x^2(16-\frac{3}{x})}} = \lim_{x \to -\infty} \frac{x(2+\frac{3}{x})}{\sqrt{x^2}\sqrt{(16-\frac{3}{x})}}$$

$$= \lim_{x \to -\infty} \frac{x(2 + \frac{3}{x})}{|x| \sqrt{(16 - \frac{3}{x})}} = \lim_{x \to -\infty} \frac{x(2 + \frac{3}{x})}{(-x)\sqrt{(16 - \frac{3}{x})}}$$

$$= \lim_{x \to -\infty} \frac{(2 + \frac{3}{x})}{(-1)\sqrt{(16 - \frac{3}{x})}} = \frac{2}{(-1)\sqrt{(16}} = -\frac{1}{2}$$

47. 
$$\lim_{x\to\infty} \left( \sqrt{9x^2 - x} - 3x \right) = \lim_{x\to-\infty} \sqrt{9x^2 - x} - 3x \cdot \frac{\sqrt{9x^2 - x} + 3x}{\sqrt{9x^2 - x} + 3x}$$

$$= \lim_{x \to -\infty} \frac{9x^2 - x - 9x^2}{\sqrt{9x^2 - x} + 3x} = \lim_{x \to -\infty} \frac{-x}{\sqrt{x^2(9 - \frac{1}{x}) + 3x}}$$

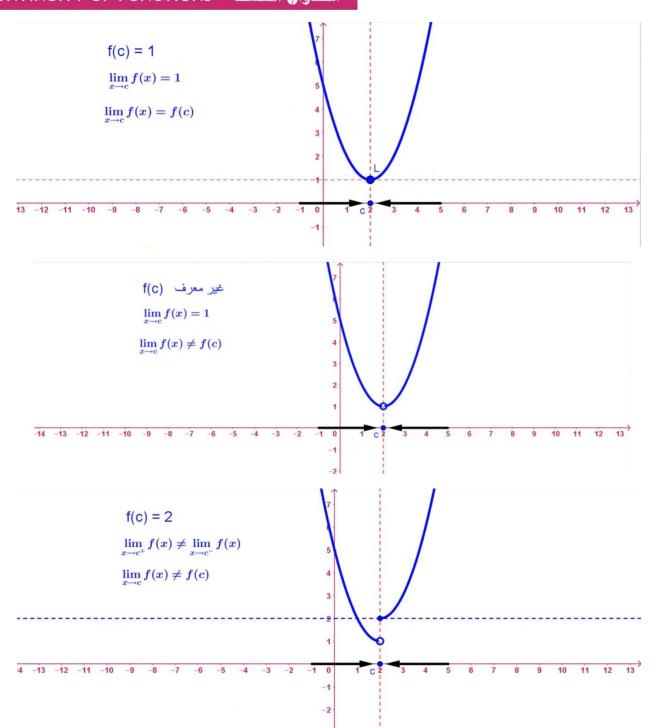
$$= \lim_{x \to -\infty} \frac{-x}{|x| \sqrt{(9 - \frac{1}{x}) + 3x}} = \lim_{x \to -\infty} \frac{-x}{-x \sqrt{(9 - \frac{1}{x}) + 3x}}$$

$$= \lim_{x \to -\infty} \frac{-x}{x \left(-\sqrt{9 - \frac{1}{x}} + 3\right)} = \frac{1}{6}$$

# Section 2.4

# CONTINUITY OF FUNCTIONS

# الحدوال المتصلة - CONTINUITY OF FUNCTIONS



#### **DEFINITION 2.4.1**

A function f is continuous at a point x = c if the following conditions are satisfied:

- a. f(c) is defined
- b.  $\lim_{x\to c} f(x)$  exists
- c.  $\lim_{x\to c} f(x) = f(c)$

## **EXAMPLE 2.4.2** Discuss the continuity of each function at the indicated point

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a. 
$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2 - 1}{x - 1}, & x \neq 1 \\ 2, & x = 1 \end{cases}$$
 at  $x = 1$ .

Solution f(1) = 2

$$\lim_{x \to 1} \frac{x^2 - 1}{x - 1} = \lim_{x \to 1} \frac{(x - 1)(x + 1)}{x - 1} = \lim_{x \to 1} (x + 1) = 2$$

$$\lim_{x \to 1} f(x) = f(1)$$

 $\lim_{x \to 1} f(x) = f(1)$ 

then the function f is continuous at x = 1

b. 
$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\sin x}{x}, & x \neq 0 \\ 3, & x = 0 \end{cases}$$
 at  $x = 0$ 

Solution 
$$f(0) = 3$$
  

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

$$\lim_{x \to 0} f(x) \neq f(0)$$

the function f is discontinuous at x = 0.

c. 
$$f(x) = |x+1|$$
 at  $x = -1$ 

Solution f(-1) = 0

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x+1, & x \ge -1 \\ -x-1, & x < -1 \end{cases}$$

$$\lim_{x \to -1^{-}} \left| x + 1 \right| = \lim_{x \to -1^{-}} (-x - 1) = 0$$

$$\lim_{x \to -1^+} |x+1| = \lim_{x \to -1^+} (x+1) = 0$$

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

 $\lim_{x\to -1} f(x) = f(-1)$ , the function f is continuous at x=-1.

d. 
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x+3}$$

at 
$$x = -3$$

Solution

The function is discontinuous at x = -3, because it is not defined at x = -3.

RELATED PROBLEM 1 Discuss the continuity of each function at the indicated point

a. 
$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2 + 4x - 5}{x - 1}, & x \neq 1 \\ 6, & x = 1 \end{cases}$$
 at  $x = 1$ .

b. 
$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\tan(4x)}{2x}, & x \neq 0 \\ 3, & x = 0 \end{cases}$$
 at  $x = 0$ 

c. 
$$f(x) = |2x - 1|$$
 at  $x = \frac{1}{2}$ 

d. 
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2 + 2}$$
 at  $x = -2$ 

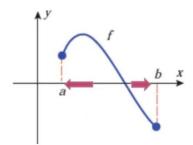
Answers

a. Continuous

b. Discontinuous

c. Continuous

d. Continuous



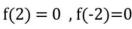
#### **DEFINITION 2.4.2**

- If a function is continuous at each point in an open interval (a, b), then it is called continuous on the interval (a, b).
- b. If a function f is defined on a closed interval [a,b] and continuous on the open interval (a,b), then it is called continuous on [a,b] if

$$\lim_{x \to a^+} f(x) = f(a)$$
 and  $\lim_{x \to b^-} f(x) = f(b)$ 

**EXAMPLE 2.4.5** Discuss the continuity of the function  $f(x) = \sqrt{4-x^2}$  on the interval [-2,2].

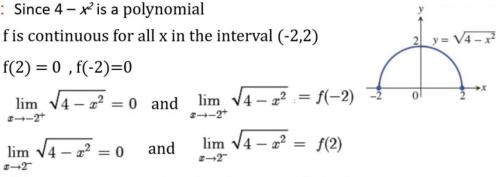
Solution: Since  $4 - x^2$  is a polynomial



$$\lim_{x \to -2^+} \sqrt{4 - x^2} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{x \to -2^+} \sqrt{4 - x^2} = f(-2)$$

$$\lim_{x \to 2^{-}} \sqrt{4 - x^{2}} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{x \to 2^{-}} \sqrt{4 - x^{2}} = f(2)$$

f is continuous on the closed interval [-2,2]



#### **EXAMPLE 2.4.3**

a. Determine where  $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 4}{x - 2}$  is continuous.

b. Redefine the function in part (a) to make it continuous at every point in

Solution  $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 4}{x - 2} = \frac{(x - 2)(x + 2)}{(x - 2)} = x + 2 \text{ for } x \neq 2.$   $\lim_{x \to 2} \frac{x^2 - 4}{x - 2} = \lim_{x \to 2} (x + 2) = 4$   $g(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2 - 4}{x - 2}, & x \neq 2\\ 4, & x = 2 \end{cases}$ 

EXAMPLE 2.4.4 Find the a-values (if any) at which f is discontinuous أوجد قيمة × التي تجعل الدالة غير متصلة

a.  $f(x) = 2x^3 - 4x + 5$ 

Solution None f(x) is a polynomial

b.  $g(x) = \frac{x^2 - 5x - 2}{x^2 - 2x - 3}$ 

Solution

Let  $x^2-2x-3=0$  (x-3)(x+1)=0 x=3 or x=-1

c.  $h(x) = \frac{1-6x}{x^2+5}$ 

Solution None  $x^2 + 5 > 0$ .  $\forall x \in R$ 

**EXAMPLE 2.4.6** Discuss the continuity of the function  $f(x) = \begin{cases} x+1, & x \leq 0 \\ \cos x, & x > 0 \end{cases}$ 

 $\lim_{x \to 0^{-}} f(x) = \lim_{x \to 0^{-}} (x+1) = 1$   $\lim_{x \to 0^{+}} f(x) = \lim_{x \to 0^{+}} \cos x = 1$   $\lim_{x \to 0} f(x) = 1 = f(0)$ 

f is continuous on  $\mathbb R$ 

#### THEOREM 2.4.3

If a function g is continuous at c and a function f is continuous at g(c), then the composite function  $f \circ g$  is continuous at c.

**EXAMPLE 2.4.9** Determine where the function  $h(x) = \cos(2x^2 - 3x + 1)$  is continuous.

Solution

Let  $g(x) = 2x^2 - 3x + 1$  continuous on R

Let  $f(x) = \cos x$  continuous on R

h(x) = f(g(x)) continuous on R

# THEOREM 2.4.4

If f is continuous at b and  $\lim_{x\to c} g(x) = b$ , then

$$\lim_{x \to c} f(g(x)) = f(b) = f(\lim_{x \to c} g(x)).$$

# **EXAMPLE 2.4.10** Find the following limits (if exist)

a. 
$$\lim_{x \to 1} \left| \frac{-x^2 - x + 2}{x - 1} \right|$$

# Solution

$$\lim_{x \to 1} \left| \frac{-x^2 - x + 2}{x - 1} \right| = \left| \lim_{x \to 1} \frac{-x^2 - x + 2}{x - 1} \right| = \left| \lim_{x \to 1} \frac{-(x - 1)(x + 2)}{x - 1} \right|$$

$$= \left| \lim_{x \to 1} (-1)(x+2) \right| = \left| -3 \right| = 3$$

b. 
$$\lim_{x \to \pi/2} \cos \left(2x + \sin \left(\frac{3\pi}{2} + x\right)\right)$$

#### Solution

$$\lim_{x\to\pi/2}\cos\biggl(2x+\sin\biggl(\frac{3\pi}{2}+x\biggr)\biggr)=\cos\biggl(\lim_{x\to\pi/2}\biggl(2x+\sin\biggl(\frac{3\pi}{2}+x\biggr)\biggr)\biggr)$$

$$=\cos\biggl(\lim_{x\to\pi/2}\bigl(2x\bigr)+\lim_{x\to\pi/2}\sin\biggl(\frac{3\pi}{2}+x\biggr)\biggr)=\cos\bigl(\pi+\sin\bigl(2\pi\bigr)\bigr)=\cos\bigl(\pi\bigr)=-1$$

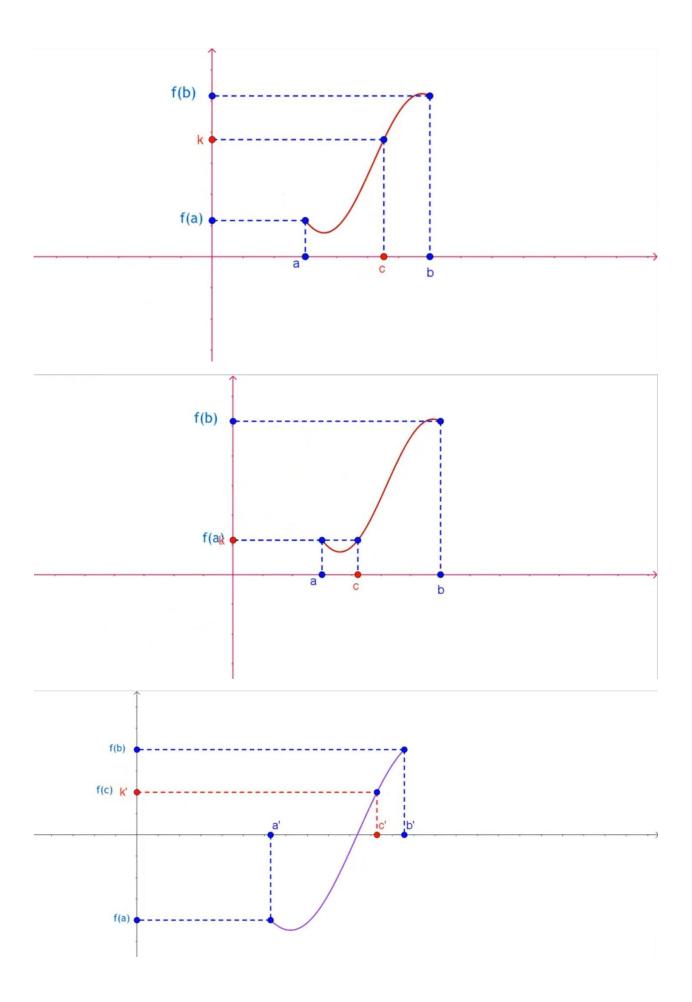
c. 
$$\lim_{x\to 0} \left(\sqrt{x+1} \cos(\tan x)\right)$$

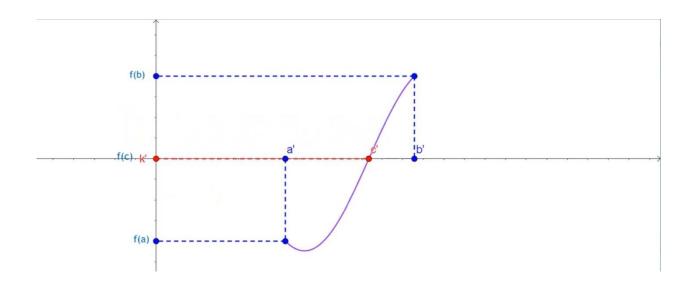
#### Solution

$$\lim_{x\to 0} \Bigl(\sqrt{x+1} \; \cos(\tan x)\Bigr) = \Bigl(\lim_{x\to 0} \sqrt{x+1}\Bigr) \cdot \Bigl(\cos(\lim_{x\to 0} \tan x)\Bigr) = 1 \cdot \cos 0 = 1 \\ (1) = 1$$

#### THEOREM 2.4.5: Intermediate Value Theorem

If f is continuous on a closed interval [a,b] and if k is any number between f(a) and f(b), then there is at least a number c in [a,b] such that f(c)=k.





**EXAMPLE 2.4.11** Use the Intermediate Value Theorem to show that the polynomial function  $f(x) = x^3 + 2x - 1$  has a zero in the interval [0,1].

Solution

f is a polynomial function, it is continuous

$$f(0) = -1$$
 and  $f(1) = 2$   
-1 < 0 < 2  
 $f(0) < 0 < f(1)$ 

from the Intermediate Value Theorem f has a zero in the closed interval  $c \in [0,1]$ .

**EXAMPLE 2.4.12** Use the Intermediate Value Theorem to prove that the equation

$$\sqrt{3x+4} = 5 - x^2$$
 has a solution.

**Solution** 
$$\sqrt{3x+4} + x^2 - 5 = 0$$

Let 
$$f(x) = \sqrt{3x+4} + x^2 - 5$$

$$g(x)=\sqrt{3x+4}$$
 continuous on  $\left[-\frac{4}{3},\infty\right]$   $h(x)=x^2-5$  continuous on  $\mathsf{R}$ 

$$h(x) = x^2 - 5$$
 continuous on R

Choose 
$$\left[0,4\right]\subseteq\left[-\frac{4}{3},\infty\right]\subseteq\mathsf{R}$$

Look 
$$f(0)=-3$$
,  $f(4)=15$   $c \in [0,4]$ ,  $f(c)=0$ 

**EXAMPLE 2.4.12** Use the Intermediate Value Theorem to prove that the equation

$$\sqrt{3x+4} = 5 - x^2$$
 has a solution.

Solution 
$$\sqrt{3x+4} + x^2 - 5 = 0$$

Let 
$$f(x) = \sqrt{3x+4} + x^2 - 5$$
 
$$g(x) = \sqrt{3x+4} \quad \text{continuous on } \left[ -\frac{4}{3}, \infty \right]$$
 
$$h(x) = x^2 - 5 \quad \text{continuous on } \mathbb{R}$$
 Choose  $\left[ 0, 4 \right] \subseteq \left[ -\frac{4}{3}, \infty \right] \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ 

Look 
$$f(0)=-3$$
 ,  $f(4)=15$   $c \in [0,4]$  ,  $f(c)=0$ 

number c is a solution

B) Use the Intermediate Value Theorem to show that  $f(x) = x^5 - 4x^3 + 1$  has a zero in the interval [0,1].

Solution

f is a polynomial function, it is continuous

$$f(0) = 1$$
 ,  $f(1) = -2$   
 $-2 < 0 < 1$   
 $f(0) < 0 < f(1)$ 

from the Intermediate Value Theorem f has a zero in the closed interval  $c \in [0,1]$ .

## Question

Using Intermediate Value Theorem, show that  $f(x) = x^4 - 6x + 1$  has at least one real root (zero).

Solution

f continuous on R

Look 
$$f(0)=1$$
 ,  $f(1)=-2$   $c \in [0,1]$  ,  $f(c)=0$ 

number c is a solution