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one-sided continuity

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The real function f is *continuous from the left* in the point $x = x_0$ iff

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

The real function f is *continuous from the right* in the point $x = x_0$ iff

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

The real function f is *continuous on the closed interval* $[a, b]$ iff it is continuous at all points of the open interval (a, b) , from the right continuous at a and from the left continuous at b .

Examples. The ceiling function $\lceil x \rceil$ is from the left continuous at each integer, the mantissa function $x - \lfloor x \rfloor$ is from the right continuous at each integer.