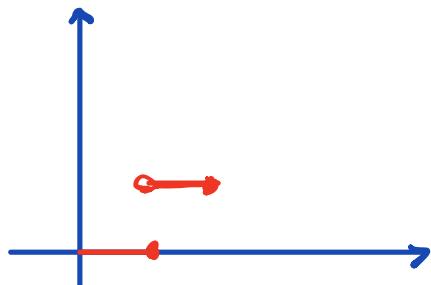


5.6. Monotone And Inverse Function

- Recall that a function $f: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$, can be:
 1. **increasing**: whenever $x_1, x_2 \in A$ and $x_1 \leq x_2 \Rightarrow f(x_1) \leq f(x_2)$
 2. **strictly increasing**: whenever $x_1, x_2 \in A$ and $x_1 < x_2 \Rightarrow f(x_1) < f(x_2)$.
 3. **decreasing**: whenever $x_1, x_2 \in A$ and $x_1 \leq x_2 \Rightarrow f(x_1) > f(x_2)$
 4. **strictly decreasing**: whenever $x_1, x_2 \in A$ and $x_1 < x_2 \Rightarrow f(x_1) > f(x_2)$
 5. **monotone** \Leftrightarrow f is 1. or 3.
 6. **strictly monotone** \Leftrightarrow 2. or 4.

- Furthermore, we note that
 1. if $f: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is increasing $\Leftrightarrow -f$ is decreasing in A
 2. if $f: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is decreasing $\Leftrightarrow -f$ is increasing in A
- In this section we will be concerned with monotone functions defined on an interval $I \subseteq \mathbb{R}$
- It's important to note that monotone functions are not necessarily continuous

$$f(x) := \begin{cases} 0, & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 1, & 1 < x \leq 2 \end{cases}$$



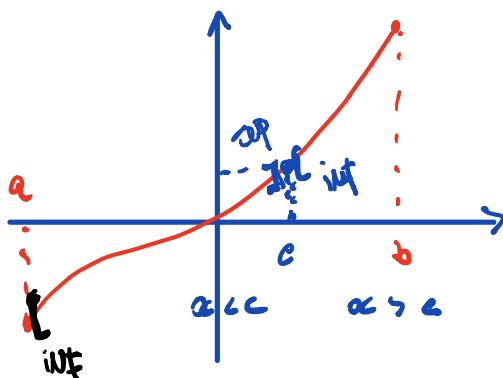
Theorem 5.6.1 Let $I \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ be an interval and let $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be increasing on I . Suppose that $c \in I$ is not an endpoint of I .

THEN

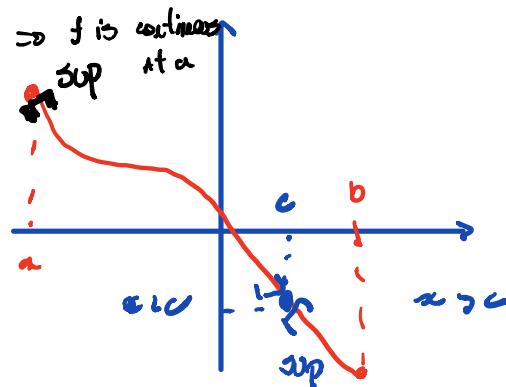
if f is decreasing

$$(i) \lim_{x \rightarrow c^-} f(x) = \sup \{f(x) : x \in I, x < c\} \quad \inf$$

$$(ii) \lim_{x \rightarrow c^+} f(x) = \inf \{f(x) : x \in I, x > c\} \quad \sup$$



$\Rightarrow f$ continuous at a



Corollary 5.6.2 Let $I \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ be an interval and let $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be increasing on I . Suppose that $c \in I$ is not an endpoint of I . Then the following statements are equivalent

(i) f is continuous on c

$$(ii) \lim_{x \rightarrow c^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c^+} f(x) = f(c)$$

$$(iii) \sup \{f(x) : x \in I, x < c\} = \inf \{f(x) : x \in I, x > c\} = f(c)$$

- ON THE SAME CONDITIONS OF THE COROLLARY ABOVE AND IF

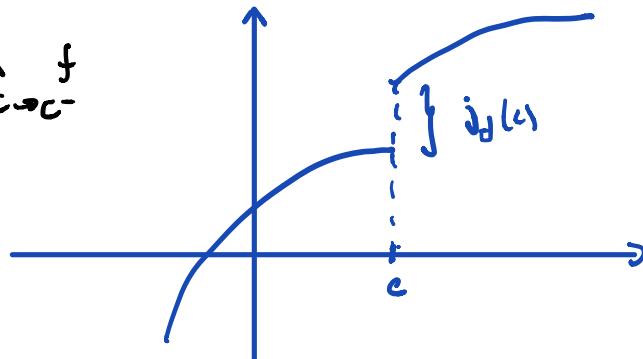
a is a left endpoint of I , then f is continuous at a iff

$$f(a) = \inf \{f(x) : x \in I, a < x\}$$

f decreasing on a right endpoint
 $\sup \{f(x) : x \in I, x < a\}$

- If $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is increasing on I and if c is not an endpoint of I , we define the **jump function** at c to be

$$j_f(c) := \lim_{x \rightarrow c^+} f - \lim_{x \rightarrow c^-} f$$



- It follows from **Theorem 5.6.1** that

$$j_f(c) := \inf \{f(x) : x \in I, x > c\} - \sup \{f(x) : x \in I, x < c\}$$

for an increasing function.

- If the right and left endpoint of I , a and b , belongs to I , then we define the jump function at a and b respectively as

$$\begin{aligned} \text{jump function at } a : \quad j_f(a) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f - f(a) \\ &= \inf \{f(x) : x \in I, x > a\} - f(a) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{jump function at } b : \quad j_f(b) &= f(b) - \lim_{x \rightarrow b^-} f \\ &= f(b) - \sup \{f(x) : x \in I, x < b\} \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 5.6.3 Let $I \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ be an interval and let $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be increasing on I . If $c \in I$, then f is continuous at $c \Leftrightarrow \underline{\lim}_{x \rightarrow c} f = \overline{\lim}_{x \rightarrow c} f = f(c)$

$$\hookrightarrow \text{No discontinuities} \Leftrightarrow \underline{\lim}_{x \rightarrow c} f = \overline{\lim}_{x \rightarrow c} f = f(c)$$

- We now show that there can be at most a countable set of points at which a monotone function is discontinuous.

Theorem 5.6.4 Let $I \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ be an interval and let $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be monotone in I . Then the set of points $D \subseteq I$ at which f is discontinuous is a countable set.

Ex 5.2.12 : A function $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is said additive if

(i) $f(x+y) = f(x) + f(y) \quad \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}$. Prove that if f is continuous at any $\infty \Rightarrow$ it is continuous on \mathbb{R} .

$$f(x) := c\alpha = f(1)x$$

$$f(x+y) = f(x) + f(y) = f(1)x + f(1)y$$

} monotone

Inverse function

- Recall that a function $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ has an inverse function iff f is injective (= one-to-one)

$$x, y \in I \text{ and } x \neq y \Rightarrow f(x) \neq f(y)$$

- We note that a strictly monotone function is injective and so has an inverse

Continuous Inverse Theorem Let $I \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ be an interval and let $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be strictly monotone and continuous on I . Then the function g inverse to f is strictly monotone and continuous on $J := f(I)$.