

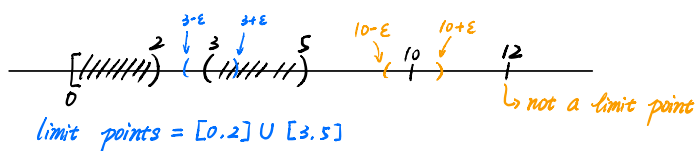
(Limits)
 Continuity
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} Proofs in this context

Def Let $X \subseteq \mathbb{R}$. $c \in \mathbb{R}$ is a limit point of X if for any $\varepsilon > 0$, the nbhd $(c - \varepsilon, c + \varepsilon)$ contains some point of $X - \{c\}$

Note: We could have $c \in X$ or $c \notin X$

Ex: Identify the limit points of $X = [0, 2) \cup (3, 5) \cup \{10\} \cup \{12\}$



Def 2 $c \in X$ is an isolated point of X if it's not a limit point

Goal: Understand $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = L$

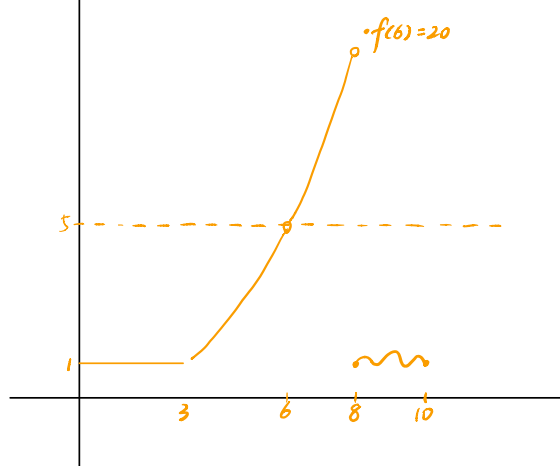
"if we can make $f(x)$ arbitrary close to L by taking x arbitrary close to c "

Def 1 Let $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and let c be a limit point of X

We say $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = L$ if, for any $\varepsilon > 0$, there is a $\delta > 0$ s.t.

We never take $x=c$ if $0 < |x - c| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - L| < \varepsilon$
 if $x \in (c - \delta, c + \delta) - \{c\} \Rightarrow f(x) \in (L - \varepsilon, L + \varepsilon)$

picture: $f: [0, 10] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$



$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 6} f(x) = 5$$

\uparrow This value might not be defined

Note: ① The value $f(c)$ doesn't affect $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)$

② In general, taking a small $\varepsilon > 0$ implies taking a smaller $\delta > 0$.

③ $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)$ only depends on the behavior of $f(x)$ near the point c (framework)

Exercise: Consider $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

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

Hint: Choose an $\varepsilon > 0$ s.t. $M < L - \varepsilon$

Proof: Take $\varepsilon = L - M > 0$

$$(L - \varepsilon, L + \varepsilon) = (M, 2L - M)$$

Since $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = L$, we can find a $\delta > 0$ s.t.

$$f(x) \in (M, 2L - M) \text{ whenever } x \in (c - \delta, c + \delta) - \{c\}$$

In particular, $f(x) > M$ for all $x \in (c - \delta, c + \delta) - \{c\}$ \square

Thm 1: Let $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and let $c \in \mathbb{R}$ be a limit point of X

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = L \iff \text{For any sequence } (x_n) \text{ in } X \text{ with } (x_n) \rightarrow c \text{ and } x_n \neq c \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}, \\ \underbrace{\text{we have } f(x_n) \rightarrow L}_{(*)}$$

Proof: (\Rightarrow) Fix a sequence (x_n) in X s.t. $(x_n) \rightarrow c$ and $x_n \neq c$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$,

Now pick $\varepsilon > 0$. Show that $f(x_n)$ is eventually in $(L - \varepsilon, L + \varepsilon)$

① Since $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)$, we can find a $\delta > 0$ s.t. $x \in (c - \delta, c + \delta) - \{c\}$