

# Vector Fields

- Vectors whose coordinates consist of functions of two or three variables are called "vector fields".  
The vector field is denoted  $\vec{F}$ .

- In the  $\mathbb{R}^2$  space :  $\vec{F}(x, y) = P(x, y)\vec{i} + Q(x, y)\vec{j}$   
 $= \langle P(x, y), Q(x, y) \rangle$

• In the  $\mathbb{R}^3$  space :

$$\vec{F}(x, y, z) = P(x, y, z)\vec{i} + Q(x, y, z)\vec{j} + R(x, y, z)\vec{k}$$
$$= \langle P(x, y, z), Q(x, y, z), R(x, y, z) \rangle$$

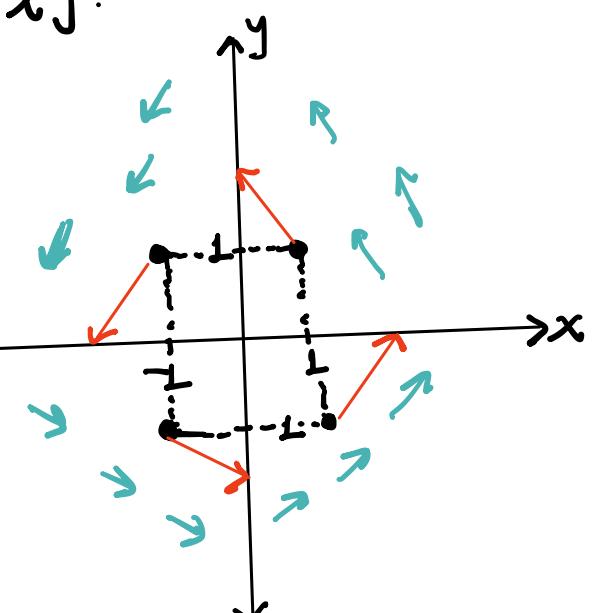
• Example : Draw the vector field  
 $\vec{F}(x, y) = (-y)\vec{i} + x\vec{j}$ .

$$F(1, 1) = -\vec{i} + \vec{j} = \langle -1, 1 \rangle$$

$$F(1, -1) = \vec{i} + \vec{j} = \langle 1, 1 \rangle$$

$$F(-1, 1) = -\vec{i} - \vec{j} = \langle -1, -1 \rangle$$

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- A counter-clockwise vector field is obtained.

# Gradient Fields

- function  $f(x, y, z)$  to be the field of gradient vectors:

$$\nabla f = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \mathbf{i} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \mathbf{j} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \mathbf{k}.$$

**EXAMPLE 1** Suppose that the temperature  $T$  at each point  $(x, y, z)$  in a region of space is given by

$$T = 100 - x^2 - y^2 - z^2,$$

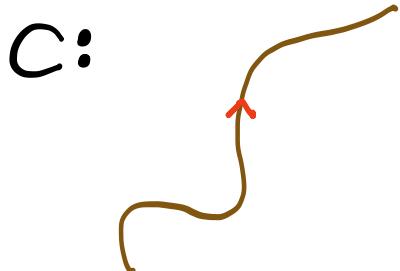
and that  $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z)$  is defined to be the gradient of  $T$ . Find the vector field  $\mathbf{F}$ .

**Solution** The gradient field  $\mathbf{F}$  is the field  $\mathbf{F} = \nabla T = -2x\mathbf{i} - 2y\mathbf{j} - 2z\mathbf{k}$ . At each point in space, the vector field  $\mathbf{F}$  gives the direction for which the increase in temperature is greatest. ■

## Line Integrals

- The integral of a multivariable function along a curve is called a **line integral**.

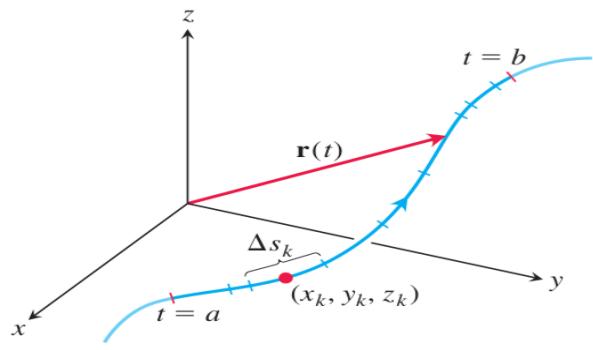
• Which methods will we use when calculating line integrals?



C : curve

- ① Using arc length  $\int_C f(x, y) ds$
- ② Using vector field  $\int_C \vec{F} d\vec{r}$
- ③ Using xyz coordinates  $\int_C f(x, y) dx, \int_C f(x, y) dy, \int_C f(x, y, z) dx, \int_C f(x, y, z) dy, \int_C f(x, y, z) dz$

# ① Using Arc Length



**FIGURE 16.1** The curve  $\mathbf{r}(t)$  partitioned into small arcs from  $t = a$  to  $t = b$ . The length of a typical subarc is  $\Delta s_k$ .

$$S_n = \sum_{k=1}^n f(x_k, y_k, z_k) \Delta s_k,$$

**DEFINITION** If  $f$  is defined on a curve  $C$  given parametrically by  $\mathbf{r}(t) = g(t)\mathbf{i} + h(t)\mathbf{j} + k(t)\mathbf{k}$ ,  $a \leq t \leq b$ , then the **line integral of  $f$  over  $C$**  is

$$\int_C f(x, y, z) ds = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n f(x_k, y_k, z_k) \Delta s_k, \quad (1)$$

provided this limit exists.

$$\frac{ds}{dt} = |\mathbf{v}| = \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dz}{dt}\right)^2}$$

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## How to Evaluate a Line Integral

To integrate a continuous function  $f(x, y, z)$  over a curve  $C$ :

1. Find a smooth parametrization of  $C$ ,

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = g(t)\mathbf{i} + h(t)\mathbf{j} + k(t)\mathbf{k}, \quad a \leq t \leq b.$$

2. Evaluate the integral as

$$\int_C f(x, y, z) ds = \int_a^b f(g(t), h(t), k(t)) |\mathbf{v}(t)| dt.$$

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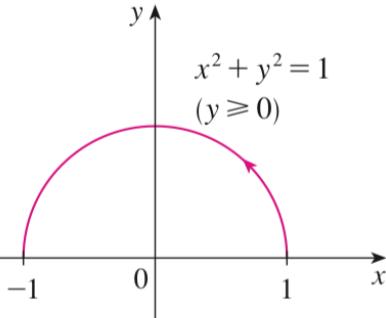
$$\int_C f(x, y, z) ds = \int_0^b f(g(t), h(t), k(t)) \cdot \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dz}{dt}\right)^2} dt$$

**3**

$$\int_C f(x, y) \, ds = \int_a^b f(x(t), y(t)) \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2} \, dt$$

**EXAMPLE 1** Evaluate  $\int_C (2 + x^2y) \, ds$ , where  $C$  is the upper half of the unit circle  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ .

**SOLUTION** In order to use Formula 3, we first need parametric equations to represent  $C$ . Recall that the unit circle can be parametrized by means of the equations



$$x = \cos t \quad y = \sin t$$

and the upper half of the circle is described by the parameter interval  $0 \leq t \leq \pi$ . (See Figure 3.) Therefore Formula 3 gives

$$\begin{aligned} \int_C (2 + x^2y) \, ds &= \int_0^\pi (2 + \cos^2 t \sin t) \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2} \, dt \\ &= \int_0^\pi (2 + \cos^2 t \sin t) \sqrt{\sin^2 t + \cos^2 t} \, dt \\ &= \int_0^\pi (2 + \cos^2 t \sin t) \, dt = \left[ 2t - \frac{\cos^3 t}{3} \right]_0^\pi \\ &= 2\pi + \frac{1}{3} \end{aligned}$$



FIGURE 3

## Additivity

Line integrals have the useful property that if a piecewise smooth curve  $C$  is made by joining a finite number of smooth curves  $C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n$  end to end (Section 13.1), then the integral of a function over  $C$  is the sum of the integrals over the curves that make it up:

$$\int_C f \, ds = \int_{C_1} f \, ds + \int_{C_2} f \, ds + \cdots + \int_{C_n} f \, ds. \quad (3)$$

**EXAMPLE 2** Evaluate  $\int_C 2x \, ds$ , where  $C$  consists of the arc  $C_1$  of the parabola  $y = x^2$  from  $(0, 0)$  to  $(1, 1)$  followed by the vertical line segment  $C_2$  from  $(1, 1)$  to  $(1, 2)$ .

**SOLUTION** The curve  $C$  is shown in Figure 5.  $C_1$  is the graph of a function of  $x$ , so we can choose  $x$  as the parameter and the equations for  $C_1$  become

$$x = t \quad y = t^2 \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{C_1} 2x \, ds &= \int_0^1 2t \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2} dt = \int_0^1 2t \sqrt{1 + 4t^2} dt \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{2}{3} (1 + 4t^2)^{3/2} \Big|_0^1 = \frac{5\sqrt{5} - 1}{6} \end{aligned}$$

**FIGURE 5**  
 $C = C_1 \cup C_2$

On  $C_2$  we choose  $y$  as the parameter, so the equations of  $C_2$  are

$$x = 1 \quad y = t \quad 1 \leq t \leq 2$$

and  $\int_{C_2} 2x \, ds = \int_1^2 2(1) \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2} dt = \int_1^2 2 \, dt = 2$

Thus

$$\int_C 2x \, ds = \int_{C_1} 2x \, ds + \int_{C_2} 2x \, ds = \frac{5\sqrt{5} - 1}{6} + 2$$

The value of the line integral along a path joining two points can change if you change the path between them.

## ② Line Integrals of Vector Fields (Using vector field)

- Vector field:  $\vec{F} = M(x, y, z)\vec{i} + N(x, y, z)\vec{j} + P(x, y, z)\vec{k}$
- Parametrization:  $\vec{r}(t) = g(t)\vec{i} + h(t)\vec{j} + k(t)\vec{k}, a \leq t \leq b$
- Unit tangent vector:  $\vec{T} = \frac{\vec{dr}}{ds} = \frac{\vec{v}}{|v|}$

$$\mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{T} = \mathbf{F} \cdot \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{ds},$$

↓                      ↓  
Dot Product!

**DEFINITION** Let  $\vec{F}$  be a vector field with continuous components defined along a smooth curve  $C$  parametrized by  $\vec{r}(t)$ ,  $a \leq t \leq b$ . Then the **line integral of  $F$  along  $C$**  is

$$\int_C \vec{F} \cdot \vec{T} ds = \int_C \left( \vec{F} \cdot \frac{d\vec{r}}{ds} \right) ds = \int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}.$$

**Evaluating the Line Integral of  $F = Mi + Nj + Pk$  Along  $C$ :**  $\vec{r}(t) = g(t)\vec{i} + h(t)\vec{j} + k(t)\vec{k}$

- Express the vector field  $\vec{F}$  in terms of the parametrized curve  $C$  as  $\vec{F}(\vec{r}(t))$  by substituting the components  $x = g(t)$ ,  $y = h(t)$ ,  $z = k(t)$  of  $\vec{r}$  into the scalar components  $M(x, y, z)$ ,  $N(x, y, z)$ ,  $P(x, y, z)$  of  $\vec{F}$ .
- Find the derivative (velocity) vector  $d\vec{r}/dt$ .
- Evaluate the line integral with respect to the parameter  $t$ ,  $a \leq t \leq b$ , to obtain

$$\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_a^b \vec{F}(\vec{r}(t)) \cdot \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} dt.$$

**EXAMPLE 2** Evaluate  $\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$ , where  $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = z\mathbf{i} + xy\mathbf{j} - y^2\mathbf{k}$  along the curve  $C$  given by  $\mathbf{r}(t) = t^2\mathbf{i} + t\mathbf{j} + \sqrt{t}\mathbf{k}, 0 \leq t \leq 1$ .

**Solution** We have

and 1. Step :  $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}(t)) = \sqrt{t}\mathbf{i} + t^3\mathbf{j} - t^2\mathbf{k}$        $z = \sqrt{t}, xy = t^3, -y^2 = -t^2$

2. step :  $\frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt} = 2t\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{t}}\mathbf{k}$ .

Thus,

3. step : 
$$\begin{aligned} \int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} &= \int_0^1 \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}(t)) \cdot \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt} dt \\ &= \int_0^1 \left( 2t^{3/2} + t^3 - \frac{1}{2}t^{3/2} \right) dt \\ &= \left[ \left( \frac{3}{2} \right) \left( \frac{2}{5}t^{5/2} \right) + \frac{1}{4}t^4 \right]_0^1 = \frac{17}{20}. \end{aligned}$$
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### ③ Line Integrals with Respect to $dx, dy$ , or $dz$ (Using the xyz coordinates)

- Vector field :  $\vec{\mathbf{F}} = M(x, y, z)\vec{\mathbf{i}} + N(x, y, z)\vec{\mathbf{j}} + P(x, y, z)\vec{\mathbf{k}}$
- Parametrization :  $\vec{\mathbf{r}}(t) = g(t)\vec{\mathbf{i}} + h(t)\vec{\mathbf{j}} + k(t)\vec{\mathbf{k}}, a \leq t \leq b$

$$\int_C M(x, y, z) dx = \int_a^b M(g(t), h(t), k(t)) g'(t) dt \quad (1)$$

$$\int_C N(x, y, z) dy = \int_a^b N(g(t), h(t), k(t)) h'(t) dt \quad (2)$$

$$\int_C P(x, y, z) dz = \int_a^b P(g(t), h(t), k(t)) k'(t) dt \quad (3)$$

It often happens that these line integrals occur in combination, and we abbreviate the notation by writing

$$\int_C M(x, y, z) dx + \int_C N(x, y, z) dy + \int_C P(x, y, z) dz = \int_C M dx + N dy + P dz.$$

**EXAMPLE 3** Evaluate the line integral  $\int_C -y \, dx + z \, dy + 2x \, dz$ , where  $C$  is the helix  $\mathbf{r}(t) = (\cos t)\mathbf{i} + (\sin t)\mathbf{j} + t\mathbf{k}$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$ .

**Solution** We express everything in terms of the parameter  $t$ , so  $x = \cos t$ ,  $y = \sin t$ ,  $z = t$ , and  $dx = -\sin t \, dt$ ,  $dy = \cos t \, dt$ ,  $dz = dt$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned}\int_C -y \, dx + z \, dy + 2x \, dz &= \int_0^{2\pi} [(-\sin t)(-\sin t) + t \cos t + 2 \cos t] \, dt \\&= \int_0^{2\pi} [2 \cos t + t \cos t + \sin^2 t] \, dt \\&= \left[ 2 \sin t + (t \sin t + \cos t) + \left( \frac{t}{2} - \frac{\sin 2t}{4} \right) \right]_0^{2\pi} \\&= [0 + (0 + 1) + (\pi - 0)] - [0 + (0 + 1) + (0 - 0)] \\&= \pi.\end{aligned}$$

# Infinite Sequences and Series

## • Sequences

### Representing Sequences

A sequence is a list of numbers

$$a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n, \dots$$

in a given order. Each of  $a_1, a_2, a_3$  and so on represents a number. These are the **terms** of the sequence. For example, the sequence

$$2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, \dots, 2n, \dots$$

has first term  $a_1 = 2$ , second term  $a_2 = 4$ , and  $n$ th term  $a_n = 2n$ . The integer  $n$  is called the **index** of  $a_n$ , and indicates where  $a_n$  occurs in the list. Order is important. The sequence  $2, 4, 6, 8 \dots$  is not the same as the sequence  $4, 2, 6, 8 \dots$ .

We can think of the sequence

$$a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n, \dots$$

as a function that sends 1 to  $a_1$ , 2 to  $a_2$ , 3 to  $a_3$ , and in general sends the positive integer  $n$  to the  $n$ th term  $a_n$ . More precisely, an **infinite sequence** of numbers is a function whose domain is the set of positive integers.

The function associated with the sequence

$$2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, \dots, 2n, \dots$$

sends 1 to  $a_1 = 2$ , 2 to  $a_2 = 4$ , and so on. The general behavior of this sequence is described by the formula  $a_n = 2n$ .

**Definition 11.1.1.** A sequence is a function whose domain is the set of positive integers.

**1 Definition** A sequence  $\{a_n\}$  has the **limit**  $L$  and we write

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = L \quad \text{or} \quad a_n \rightarrow L \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

if we can make the terms  $a_n$  as close to  $L$  as we like by taking  $n$  sufficiently large.

If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$  exists, we say the sequence **converges** (or is **convergent**). Otherwise, we say the sequence **diverges** (or is **divergent**).

**EXAMPLE 4** Find  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{n + 1}$ .

**SOLUTION** The method is similar to the one we used in Section 2.6: Divide numerator and denominator by the highest power of  $n$  that occurs in the denominator and then use the Limit Laws.

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{n + 1} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{n}} = \frac{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1}{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1 + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n}} \\ &= \frac{1}{1 + 0} = 1\end{aligned}$$

Here we used Equation 4 with  $r = 1$ . ■

**EXAMPLE 5** Is the sequence  $a_n = \frac{n}{\sqrt{10 + n}}$  convergent or divergent?

**SOLUTION** As in Example 4, we divide numerator and denominator by  $n$ :

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{\sqrt{10 + n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{10}{n^2} + \frac{1}{n}}} = \infty$$

because the numerator is constant and the denominator approaches 0. So  $\{a_n\}$  is divergent. ■

**EXAMPLE 6** Calculate  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln n}{n}$ .

**SOLUTION** Notice that both numerator and denominator approach infinity as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . We can't apply l'Hospital's Rule directly because it applies not to sequences but to functions of a real variable. However, we can apply l'Hospital's Rule to the related function  $f(x) = (\ln x)/x$  and obtain

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln x}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1/x}{1} = 0$$

Therefore, by Theorem 3, we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln n}{n} = 0$$

**EXAMPLE 7** Determine whether the sequence  $a_n = (-1)^n$  is convergent or divergent.

**SOLUTION** If we write out the terms of the sequence, we obtain

$$\{-1, 1, -1, 1, -1, 1, -1, \dots\}$$

The graph of this sequence is shown in Figure 8. Since the terms oscillate between 1 and  $-1$  infinitely often,  $a_n$  does not approach any number. Thus  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (-1)^n$  does not exist; that is, the sequence  $\{(-1)^n\}$  is divergent. ■

**EXAMPLE 8** Evaluate  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n}$  if it exists.

**SOLUTION** We first calculate the limit of the absolute value:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(-1)^n}{n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0$$

Therefore, by Theorem 6,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n} = 0$$

## Calculating Limits of Sequences

Since sequences are functions with domain restricted to the positive integers, it is not surprising that the theorems on limits of functions given in Chapter 2 have versions for sequences.

**THEOREM 1** Let  $\{a_n\}$  and  $\{b_n\}$  be sequences of real numbers, and let  $A$  and  $B$  be real numbers. The following rules hold if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = A$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = B$ .

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|-----------------------------------|---|
| 1. <i>Sum Rule:</i>               | $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n + b_n) = A + B$                         |
| 2. <i>Difference Rule:</i>        | $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n - b_n) = A - B$                         |
| 3. <i>Constant Multiple Rule:</i> | $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (k \cdot b_n) = k \cdot B$ (any number $k$ ) |
| 4. <i>Product Rule:</i>           | $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n \cdot b_n) = A \cdot B$                 |
| 5. <i>Quotient Rule:</i>          | $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = \frac{A}{B}$ if $B \neq 0$ |

**THEOREM 2—The Sandwich Theorem for Sequences** Let  $\{a_n\}$ ,  $\{b_n\}$ , and  $\{c_n\}$  be sequences of real numbers. If  $a_n \leq b_n \leq c_n$  holds for all  $n$  beyond some index  $N$ , and if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c_n = L$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = L$  also.

An immediate consequence of Theorem 2 is that, if  $|b_n| \leq c_n$  and  $c_n \rightarrow 0$ , then  $b_n \rightarrow 0$  because  $-c_n \leq b_n \leq c_n$ . We use this fact in the next example.

**EXAMPLE 4** Since  $1/n \rightarrow 0$ , we know that

$$(a) \frac{\cos n}{n} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{because} \quad -\frac{1}{n} \leq \frac{\cos n}{n} \leq \frac{1}{n};$$

$$(b) \frac{1}{2^n} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{because} \quad 0 \leq \frac{1}{2^n} \leq \frac{1}{n};$$

$$(c) (-1)^n \frac{1}{n} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{because} \quad -\frac{1}{n} \leq (-1)^n \frac{1}{n} \leq \frac{1}{n}. \quad \blacksquare$$

**THEOREM 3—The Continuous Function Theorem for Sequences** Let  $\{a_n\}$  be a sequence of real numbers. If  $a_n \rightarrow L$  and if  $f$  is a function that is continuous at  $L$  and defined at all  $a_n$ , then  $f(a_n) \rightarrow f(L)$ .  $(n \rightarrow \infty)$

**EXAMPLE 6** The sequence  $\{1/n\}$  converges to 0. By taking  $a_n = 1/n$ ,  $f(x) = 2^x$ , and  $L = 0$  in Theorem 3, we see that  $2^{1/n} = f(1/n) \rightarrow f(L) = 2^0 = 1$ . The sequence  $\{2^{1/n}\}$  converges to 1 (Figure 10.5).  $\blacksquare$