Math 3B: Lecture 5

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Example

$f(x)$ defined on $(-\infty, \infty)$ with

$$L = \lim_{x \to -\infty} f(x) = M = \lim_{x \to \infty} f(x) = 0$$