#### MAT137 Lecture 7 — Absolute Values

## Warmup:

You want to show " $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $n^2 = 4$ ". Which proofs below are correct/incorrect?

- (A) Let n = 2. Then,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $n^2 = 4$ .
- (B) Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Take n = 2. Then  $n^2 = 4$ .
- (C) Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Assume n = 2. Then  $n^2 = 4$ .
- (D) Take n = 2. Then  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $n^2 = 4$ .

#### Before next class:

Watch videos 2.1, 2.2, 2.3

#### Variations on induction

S<sub>1</sub>

 $\forall n \geq 3. S_n \implies S_{n+1}$ 

Let  $S_n$  be a statement depending on a positive integer n.

What conclusions can you draw in each of the following cases? (I.e., for which n do you know that  $S_n$  is true?)

S<sub>1</sub>

 $\forall n \geq 1, S_{n+1} \implies S_n$ 

## Variations on induction 2

We want to prove

$$\forall n \geq 1, S_n$$

So far we have proven

- *S*<sub>1</sub>
- $\bullet \ \forall n \geq 1, \ S_n \implies S_{n+3}.$

What else do we need to do?

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#### **Theorem**

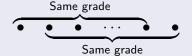
 $\forall N \geq 1$ , every set of N students in MAT137 will get the same grade.

#### Proof.

- Base case. It is clearly true for N = 1.
- Induction step.

Assume it is true for N. I'll show it is true for N + 1. Take a set of N + 1 students. By induction hypothesis:

- The first N students get the same grade.
- The last N students get the same grade.



Hence the N+1 students all get the same grade.

# What is wrong with this proof by induction?

For every  $N \geq 1$ , let

$$S_N =$$
 "every set of  $N$  students in MAT137 will get the same grade"

What did we actually prove in the previous page?

- $S_1$  ?
- $\forall N \geq 1$ ,  $S_N \implies S_{N+1}$  ?

# Properties of absolute value

Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ . Are the following conclusions correct?

(A) 
$$|ab| = |a||b|$$
  
(B)  $|a+b| = |a|+|b|$ 

If any of the conclusions is wrong, fix it.

## Properties of inequalities

Let  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Assume a < b. Are the following conclusions correct?

(A) 
$$a + c < b + c$$
 (D)  $a^2 < b^2$ 

(B) 
$$a-c < b-c$$
  
(C)  $ac < bc$ 

(F)  $\sin a < \sin b$ 

If any of the conclusions is wrong, fix it.

## Sets described by distance

Let  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ . Let  $\delta > 0$ .

Describe the following sets using interval notation.

- (A)  $A = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : |x| < \delta\}$
- (B)  $B = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : |x| > \delta\}$
- (C)  $C = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : |x a| < \delta\}$
- (D)  $D = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : 0 < |x a| < \delta\}$

## **Implications**

Find all positive values of X, Y, and Z which make the following implications true.

(A) 
$$|t-3| < 1 \implies |2t-6| < X$$

(B) 
$$|t-3| < Y \implies |2t-6| < 1$$

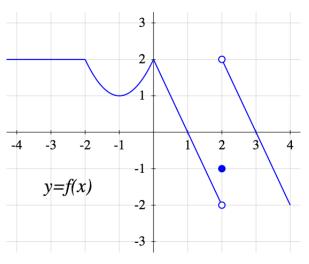
(C) 
$$|t-3| < 1 \implies |t+5| < Z$$

### MAT137 Lecture 8 — Limits

#### Before next class:

Watch videos 2.5, 2.6

## Limits from a graph



Find the value of

(A)  $\lim_{x\to 2} f(x)$ (B)  $\lim_{x\to 0} f(f(x))$ 

#### Floor

Given a real number x, we defined the *floor of* x, denoted by  $\lfloor x \rfloor$ , as the largest integer smaller than or equal to x. For example:

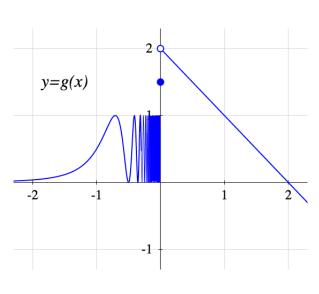
$$\lfloor \pi \rfloor = 3, \qquad \lfloor 7 \rfloor = 7, \qquad \lfloor -0.5 \rfloor = -1.$$

Sketch the graph of  $y = \lfloor x \rfloor$ . Then compute:

(A) 
$$\lim_{x \to 0^+} \lfloor x \rfloor$$
 (C)  $\lim_{x \to 0} \lfloor x \rfloor$ 

(B) 
$$\lim_{x\to 0^-} \lfloor x \rfloor$$
 (D)  $\lim_{x\to 0} \lfloor x^2 \rfloor$ 

## More limits from a graph



Find the value of

(A) 
$$\lim_{x\to 0^+} g(x)$$

(B) 
$$\lim_{x\to 0^+} \lfloor g(x) \rfloor$$

(C) 
$$\lim_{x\to 0^+} g(\lfloor x \rfloor)$$

(D) 
$$\lim_{x\to 0^-} g(x)$$

(E) 
$$\lim_{x\to 0^-} \lfloor g(x) \rfloor$$

(F) 
$$\lim_{x\to 0^-} \lfloor \frac{g(x)}{2} \rfloor$$

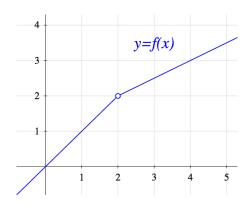
(G) 
$$\lim_{x\to 0^-} g(\lfloor x \rfloor)$$

### MAT137 Lecture 9 — Definition of Limit

#### Before next class:

Watch videos 2.7, 2.8, 2.9

### $\delta$ from a graph



- (A) Find one value of  $\delta > 0$  s.t.  $0 < |x-2| < \delta \implies |f(x)-2| < 0.5$
- (B) Find all values of  $\delta > 0$  s.t.  $0 < |x 2| < \delta \implies |f(x) 2| < 0.5$

## Warm-up

Write down the formal definition of

$$\lim_{x\to a} f(x) = L.$$

#### Side limits

#### Recall

Let  $L, a \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Let f be a function defined at least on an interval around a, except possibly at a.

$$\lim_{x\to a} f(x) = L$$

means

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0 \text{ s.t.} \quad 0 < |x-a| < \delta \implies |f(x)-L| < \varepsilon.$$

Write, instead, the formal definition of

$$\lim_{x\to a^+} f(x) = L, \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{x\to a^-} f(x) = L.$$

### Infinite limits

#### **Definition**

Let  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Let f be a function defined at least on an interval around a, except possibly at a.

Write a formal definition for

$$\lim_{x\to a} f(x) = \infty.$$

## Infinite limits - 2

Which one(s) is the definition of  $\lim_{x\to a} f(x) = \infty$ ?

(A) 
$$\forall M \in \mathbb{R}, \exists \delta > 0 \text{ s.t. } 0 < |x - a| < \delta \implies f(x) > M$$

(B) 
$$\forall M \in \mathbb{Z}, \exists \delta > 0 \text{ s.t. } 0 < |x - a| < \delta \implies f(x) > M$$

(C) 
$$\forall M > 0, \exists \delta > 0 \text{ s.t. } 0 < |x - a| < \delta \implies f(x) > M$$

(D) 
$$\forall M > 5$$
,  $\exists \delta > 0$  s.t.  $0 < |x - a| < \delta \implies f(x) > M$ 

## Limit at a point

If a function f is not defined at x = a, then

- (A)  $\lim_{x\to a} f(x)$  cannot exist
- (B)  $\lim_{x\to a} f(x)$  could be 0
- (C)  $\lim_{x\to a} f(x)$  must approach  $\infty$
- (D) none of the above.

# **Evaluating Limits**

- You're trying to guess  $\lim_{x\to 0} f(x)$ .
- You plug in  $x = 0.1, 0.01, 0.001, \ldots$  and get f(x) = 0 for all these values.
- In fact, you're told that for all  $n=1,2,\ldots$ ,  $f\left(\frac{1}{10^n}\right)=0.$
- Can you conclude that  $\lim_{x\to 0} f(x) = 0$ ?

## **Exponential limits**

Compute:

$$\lim_{t \to 0^+} e^{1/t}, \qquad \lim_{t \to 0^-} e^{1/t}.$$

Suggestion: Sketch the graph of  $y = e^x$  first.

#### Rational limits

Consider the function

$$h(x) = \frac{(x-1)(2+x)}{x^2(x-1)(2-x)}.$$

- Find all real values a for which h(a) is undefined.
- For each such value of a, compute  $\lim_{x \to a^+} h(x)$  and  $\lim_{x \to a^-} h(x)$ .
- Based on your answer, and nothing else, try to sketch the graph of h.

## Related implications

Let  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ . Let f be a function. Assume we know

$$0<|x-a|<0.1 \implies f(x)>100$$

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(B) Which values of  $\delta > 0$  satisfy ... ?

$$0 < |x - a| < \delta \implies f(x) > 100$$

## Strict or non-strict inequality?

Let f be a function with domain  $\mathbb{R}$ . One of these statements implies the other. Which one?

(A) 
$$\forall M \in \mathbb{R}, \exists N \in \mathbb{R} \text{ s.t. } x > N \implies f(x) > M$$

(B) 
$$\forall M \in \mathbb{R}, \exists N \in \mathbb{R} \text{ s.t. } x > N \implies f(x) \geq M$$

## Negation of conditionals

Write the negation of these statements:

- (A) If Justin Trudeau has a brother, then he also has a sister.
- (B) If a student in this class has a brother, then they also have a sister.

## More negation

Let f be a function with domain  $\mathbb{R}$ . Write the negation of the statement:

IF 
$$2 < x < 4$$
, THEN  $1 < f(x) < 3$ .

#### Existence

Write down the formal definition of the following statements:

(A) 
$$\lim_{x\to a} f(x) = L$$

(B) 
$$\lim_{x\to a} f(x)$$
 exists

(C)  $\lim_{x\to a} f(x)$  does not exist

# Preparation: choosing deltas

(A) Find one value of  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$|x-3| < \delta \implies |5x-15| < 1.$$

(B) Find *all* values of  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$|x-3|<\delta \implies |5x-15|<1.$$

(C) Find *all* values of  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$|x - 3| < \delta \implies |5x - 15| < 0.1.$$

(D) Let us fix  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Find *all* values of  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$|x-3|<\delta \implies |5x-15|<\varepsilon.$$

# What is wrong with this "proof"?

Prove that

$$\lim_{x\to 3}(5x+1)=16$$

### "Proof:"

Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ .

WTS 
$$\forall \varepsilon > 0$$
,  $\exists \delta > 0$  s.t.

$$0<|x-3|<\delta \implies |(5x+1)-(16)|<\varepsilon$$

$$|(5x+1)-(16)| < \varepsilon \iff |5x+15| < \varepsilon$$
  
 $\iff 5|x+3| < \varepsilon \implies \delta = \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$ 



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- (B) Write down what the structure of the formal proof should be, without filling the details.

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- (A) Write down the formal definition of the statement(2).
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- (C) Rough work: What is  $\delta$ ?

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# Is this proof correct?

#### Claim:

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0 \text{ s.t.} \quad 0 < |x| < \delta \implies |x^3 + x^2| < \varepsilon.$$

### Proof:

- Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ .
- Take  $\delta = \sqrt{\frac{\varepsilon}{|x+1|}}$ .
- Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ . Assume  $0 < |x| < \delta$ . Then

$$|x^3+x^2|=x^2|x+1|<\delta^2|x+1|=\frac{\varepsilon}{|x+1|}|x+1|=\varepsilon.$$

• I have proven that  $|x^3 + x^2| < \varepsilon$ .



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#### Indeterminate form

Let  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ . Let f and g be positive functions defined near a, except maybe at a.

Assume 
$$\lim_{x \to a} f(x) = \lim_{x \to a} g(x) = 0$$
.

What can we conclude about  $\lim_{x\to a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$ ?

- (A) The limit is 1.
- (B) The limit is 0.
- (C) The limit is  $\infty$ .
- (D) The limit does not

exist.

(E) We do not have enough information to decide.

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directly from the definition of limit. Do not use any of the limit laws.

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- (D) Write down a complete proof.

### Proof feedback

- (A) Is the structure of the proof correct? (First fix  $\varepsilon$ , then choose  $\delta$ , then ...)
- (B) Did you say exactly what  $\delta$  is?
- (C) Is the proof self-contained?(I do not need to read the rough work)
- (D) Are all variables defined? In the right order?
- (E) Do all steps follow logically from what comes before?Do you start from what you know and prove what you have to prove?
- (F) Are you proving your conclusion or assuming it?

This is the Squeeze Theorem, as you know it:

### The (classical) Squeeze Theorem

Let  $a, L \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Let f, g, and h be functions defined near a, except possibly at a.

- For x close to a but not a,  $h(x) \le g(x) \le f(x)$ 
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Come up with a new version of the theorem about limits being infinity. (The conclusion should be  $\lim_{x\to 2} g(x) = \infty$ .)

*Hint:* Draw a picture for the classical Squeeze Theorem. Then draw a picture for the new theorem.

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- Write down the structure of the formal proof.
- Rough work
  - Write down a complete, formal proof.

### True or False?

Is this theorem true?

#### Claim

Let  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Let f and g be functions defined near a.

- $\bullet \ \mathsf{IF} \ \lim_{x \to a} f(x) = 0,$
- THEN  $\lim_{x\to a} [f(x)g(x)] = 0$ .

#### **Theorem**

- $\bullet \lim_{x\to a} f(x) = 0, \text{ and }$
- g is bounded. This means that

$$\exists M > 0 \text{ s.t. } \forall x \neq a, |g(x)| \leq M.$$

THEN 
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## Critique this "proof" – #2

- WTS  $\lim_{x \to a} [f(x)g(x)] = 0$ . By definition, WTS:  $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0 \text{ s.t. } 0 < |x a| < \delta \implies |f(x)g(x)| < \varepsilon$
- Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ .
- Use the value  $\frac{\varepsilon}{M}$  as "epsilon" in the definition of  $\lim_{x\to a} f(x) = 0$

$$\exists \delta_1 \in \mathbb{R} \text{ s.t. } 0 < |x - a| < \delta_1 \implies |f(x)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{M}.$$

- Take  $\delta = \delta_1$ .
- Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ . Assume  $0 < |x a| < \delta$
- Since  $\exists M > 0$  s.t.  $\forall x \neq 0, |g(x)| \leq M$  $|f(x)g(x)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{M} \cdot M = \varepsilon.$

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- Since g is bounded,  $\exists M > 0$  s.t.  $\forall x \neq 0, |g(x)| \leq M$
- Since  $\lim_{x \to a} f(x) = 0$ , there exists  $\delta_1 > 0$  s.t. if  $0 < |x a| < \delta_1$ , then  $|f(x) 0| = |f(x)| < \varepsilon_1 = \frac{\varepsilon}{M}$ .
- $|f(x)g(x)| = |f(x)| \cdot |g(x)| \le |f(x)| \cdot M < \varepsilon_1 \cdot M = \frac{\varepsilon}{M} \cdot M = \varepsilon$
- In summary, by setting  $\delta = \min\{\delta_1\}$ , we find that if  $0 < |x-a| < \delta$ , then  $|f(x) \cdot g(x)| < \varepsilon$ .

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- (D) all of the above

# Limits involving sin(1/x) Part II

# The limit $\lim_{x\to 0} x^2 \sin(1/x)$

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- (D) equals 0
- (E) equals 1

## Absolute value and the Squeeze Theorem

Use the Squeeze Theorem to prove:

#### **Theorem**

$$IF \lim_{x \to a} |f(x)| = 0, \ THEN \lim_{x \to a} f(x) = 0.$$

*Hint:* Recall that  $-|c| \le c \le |c|$  for every  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ .

## Undefined function

Let  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  and let f be a function. Assume f(a) is undefined.

#### What can we conclude?

- (A)  $\lim_{x \to a} f(x)$  exist
- (B)  $\lim_{x \to a} f(x)$  doesn't exist.
- (C) No conclusion.  $\lim_{x\to a} f(x)$  may or may not exist.

#### What else can we conclude?

- (D) f is continuous at a.
- (E) f is not continuous at a.
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### A new function

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• Write a similar expression to compute  $min\{x, y\}$ .

## More continuous functions

We want to prove the following theorem

#### **Theorem**

IF f and g are continuous functions THEN  $h(x) = \max\{f(x), g(x)\}$  is also a continuous function.

You are allowed to use all results that we already know. What is the fastest way to prove this?

*Hint:* There is a way to prove this quickly without writing any epsilons.

## True or False? – Discontinuities

- (A) IF f and g have removable discontinuities at a THEN f+g has a removable discontinuity at a
- (B) IF f and g have non-removable discontinuities at a THEN f+g has a non-removable discontinuity at a

## Which one is the correct claim?

#### Claim 1?

(Assuming these limits exist)

$$\lim_{x\to a} g(f(x)) = g\left(\lim_{x\to a} f(x)\right)$$

#### Claim 2?

IF (A) 
$$\lim_{x \to a} f(x) = L$$
, and (B)  $\lim_{t \to L} g(t) = M$ 

THEN (C) 
$$\lim_{x \to a} g(f(x)) = M$$

## A difficult example

Construct a pair of functions f and g such that

$$\lim_{x \to 0} f(x) = 1$$

$$\lim_{t \to 1} g(t) = 2$$

$$\lim_{x \to 0} g(f(x)) = 42$$

## Transforming limits

The only thing we know about the function g is that

$$\lim_{x\to 0}\frac{g(x)}{x^2}=2.$$

Use it to compute the following limits:

(A) 
$$\lim_{x\to 0} \frac{g(x)}{x}$$
 (C)  $\lim_{x\to 0} \frac{g(3x)}{x^2}$  (B)  $\lim_{x\to 0} \frac{g(x)}{x^4}$ 

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# Limits at infinity

## Compute:

(A) 
$$\lim_{x \to \infty} (x^7 - 2x^5 + 11)$$
 (D)  $\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{x^2 + 2x + 3}{3x^2 + 4x + 5}$  (B)  $\lim_{x \to \infty} (x^2 - \sqrt{x^5 + 1})$  (E)  $\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{x^3 + \sqrt{2x^6 + 1}}{2x^3 + \sqrt{x^5 + 1}}$ 

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$$\lim_{x \to 2} \frac{\sin x}{x}$$

(B) 
$$\lim_{x\to 0} \frac{\sin(5x)}{x}$$

(C) 
$$\lim_{x\to 0} \frac{\tan^2(2x^2)}{x^4}$$

(D) 
$$\lim_{x\to 0} \frac{\sin e^x}{e^x}$$

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(G) 
$$\lim_{x\to 0} [(\sin x) (\cos(2x)) (\tan(3x)) (\sec(4x)) (\csc(5x)) (\cot(6x))]$$

# Plus or minus infinity?

Compute:

(A) 
$$\lim_{x \to -3^+} \frac{x^2 - 9}{3 - 2x - x^2}$$
 (B)  $\lim_{x \to 1^+} \frac{x^2 - 9}{3 - 2x - x^2}$ 

## A harder limit

#### Calculate

$$\lim_{x \to 2} \frac{\left[\sqrt{2+x}-2\right]\left[\sqrt{3+x}-3\right]}{\sqrt{x-1}-1}$$

# Which solution is right?

Compute 
$$L = \lim_{x \to -\infty} \left[ x - \sqrt{x^2 + x} \right]$$
.

#### Solution 1

$$L = \lim_{x \to -\infty} \frac{\left[x - \sqrt{x^2 + x}\right] \left[x + \sqrt{x^2 + x}\right]}{\left[x + \sqrt{x^2 + x}\right]} = \lim_{x \to -\infty} \frac{x^2 - (x^2 + x)}{\left[x + \sqrt{x^2 + x}\right]}$$
$$= \lim_{x \to -\infty} \frac{-x}{x \left[1 + \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{x}}\right]} = \lim_{x \to -\infty} \frac{-1}{\left[1 + \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{x}}\right]} = \frac{-1}{2}$$

#### Solution 2

$$L = \lim_{x \to -\infty} \left[ x - \sqrt{x^2 + x} \right] = (-\infty) - \infty = -\infty$$

## Can we conclude this?

- Consider the function  $(x) = \frac{4}{x}$ .
- We have f(-1) = -4 < 0 and f(1) = 4 > 0.
- Use IVT. Can we conclude f(c) = 0 for some  $c \in (-1, 1)$ ?

## Existence of solutions

Prove that the equation

$$x^4-2x=100$$

has at least two solutions.

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- (C) Prove that at some point during Alfonso's life, his height in centimetres was exactly equal to 10 times his weight in kilograms. Some data:
  - His height at birth: 47 cm
  - His weight at birth: 3.2 kg
  - His height today: 172 cm

## Temperature

- On June 09, 2016, the outside temperature in Toronto at 6 AM was  $10^{\circ}$ . At 4 PM, the temperature was  $20^{\circ}$ .
- (A) Must there have been a time between 6 AM and 4 PM when the temperature was 15°? Explain how you know. Which assumption about temperature allows you to reach your conclusion?
- (B) Must there have been a time between 6 AM and 4 PM when the temperature was 22°? Explain how you know.
- (C) Could there have been a time between 6 AM and 4 PM when the temperature was 22°? Explain how you know.

#### Extrema

In each of the following cases, does the function f have a maximum and a minimum on the interval I?

(A) 
$$f(x) = x^2$$
,  $I = (-1, 1)$ .  
(B)  $f(x) = \frac{(e^x + 2)\sin x}{x} - \cos x + 3$ ,  $I = [2, 6]$   
(C)  $f(x) = \frac{(e^x + 2)\sin x}{x} - \cos x + 3$ ,  $I = (0, 5]$ 

## Definition of maximum

Let f be a function with domain I. Which one (or ones) of the following is (or are) a definition of "f has a maximum on I"?

- (A)  $\forall x \in I$ ,  $\exists C \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $f(x) \leq C$
- (B)  $\exists C \in I \text{ s.t. } \forall x \in I, f(x) \leq C$
- (C)  $\exists C \in \mathbb{R} \text{ s.t. } \forall x \in I, f(x) \leq C$
- (D)  $\exists C \in \mathbb{R} \text{ s.t. } \forall x \in I, f(x) < C$

## More on the definition of maximum

Let *f* be a function with domain *l*. What does each of the following mean?

(A) 
$$\exists C \in \mathbb{R} \text{ s.t. } \forall x \in I, f(x) \leq C$$

(B) 
$$\exists C \in \mathbb{R} \text{ s.t. } \forall x \in I, f(x) < C$$

(C) 
$$\exists a \in I \text{ s.t. } \forall x \in I, \ f(x) \leq f(a)$$

(D) 
$$\exists a \in I \text{ s.t. } \forall x \in I, \ f(x) < f(a)$$