$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right), & \text{if } x \neq 0 \\ 0, & \text{if } x = 0 \end{cases}.$$

This function is continuous at the origin; many books prove this as an application of the Squeeze Theorem. Because  $-1 \le \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \le 1$ ,, it

follows that  $-|x| \le \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \le |x|$ . The Squeeze

Theorem says

$$\lim_{x \to 0} -|x| \le \lim_{x \to 0} x \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \le \lim_{x \to 0} |x|$$

$$0 \le \lim_{x \to 0} x \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \le 0$$

$$\boxed{1 + 1}$$

Hence  $\lim_{x\to 0} f(x) = f(0) = 0$ , so f is continuous at

x = 0.

However, f(x) is not differentiable at x = 0. We can verify this using the limit definition of the derivative:

$$f'(0) = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(0+h) - f(0)}{h} = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(h) - 0}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{h \sin\left(\frac{1}{h}\right)}{h} = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{\sin\left(\frac{1}{h}\right)}{1}$$

$$= \lim_{h \to 0} \sin\left(\frac{1}{h}\right)$$

which does not exist. You can see this in the applet on the left. Move your mouse over the picture to the left to start the animation; you may also have to click on the picture before it starts.