

- **Before next class:**
  - **Watch videos 2.14, 2.15**

Let's get started!!

Today's videos: 2.12, 2.13

Today's topic: Squeeze theorem and proofs

Any question from previous class?

# Limits involving $\sin(1/x)$

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Come up with a new version of the theorem about limits being infinity. (The conclusion should be  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = \infty$ .)

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

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## Proof feedback

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