

MAT137

(Section L0501, September 30, 2019)

- **For next day's lecture, watch videos 2.12, 2.13, 2.14 and 2.15**
- Today's lecture will **assume** you have watched videos 2.10 and 2.11.

Contents

- ① Infinite limits (recap)
- ② Side limits
- ③ Last day's limit example again!

Infinite limits

Which statement(s) below are the definition of

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

- ① $\forall M \in \mathbb{R}, \exists \delta > 0$ s.t. $0 < |x - a| < \delta \implies f(x) > M$
- ② $\forall M > 0, \exists \delta > 0$ s.t. $0 < |x - a| < \delta \implies f(x) > M$
- ③ $\forall M > 5, \exists \delta > 0$ s.t. $0 < |x - a| < \delta \implies f(x) > M$
- ④ $\forall M \in \mathbb{N}, \exists \delta > 0$ s.t. $0 < |x - a| < \delta \implies f(x) > M$
- ⑤ $\forall M \in \mathbb{R}, \exists \delta > 0$ s.t. $0 < |x - a| < \delta \implies f(x) \geq M$

Side limits

We know:

Definition

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

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

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

means

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

Write, instead, the formal definition of

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

Limits at infinity

We did not do this in class, but you should try this at home

Write down the formal definitions of

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = L$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = -\infty$$

A harder proof

Goal

We want to prove that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (x^3 + x^2) = 0 \quad (1)$$

directly from the definition.

- 1 Write down the formal definition of the above statement.
- 2 Write down what the structure of the formal proof should be, without filling the details.
- 3 **Rough work: What is δ ?**
- 4 Write down a complete formal proof.

Choosing deltas again

We will go over (6) in the next class

Let us fix numbers $A, \epsilon > 0$.

① Find a value of $\delta > 0$ such that

$$|x| < \delta \Rightarrow |Ax^2| < \epsilon$$

② Find *many* values of $\delta > 0$ such that

$$|x| < \delta \Rightarrow |Ax^2| < \epsilon$$

③ Find a value of $\delta > 0$ such that

$$|x| < \delta \Rightarrow |x + 1| < 10$$

④ Find *many* values of $\delta > 0$ such that

$$|x| < \delta \Rightarrow |x + 1| < 10$$

⑤ Find a value of $\delta > 0$ such that

$$|x| < \delta \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} |Ax^2| < \epsilon \\ |x + 1| < 10 \end{array} \right\}$$

⑥ Find a value of $\delta > 0$ such that

$$|x| < \delta \Rightarrow |x^2 + x^3| < \epsilon$$

A harder proof

We will go over this in the next class

Goal

We want to prove that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (x^3 + x^2) = 0 \quad (2)$$

directly from the definition.

- 1 Write down the formal definition of the statement (2).
- 2 Write down what the structure of the formal proof should be, without filling the details.
- 3 Rough work: What is δ ?
- 4 **Write down a complete formal proof.**