

LIMITS (PART III)

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1 THE SANDWICH (SQUEEZE) THEOREM

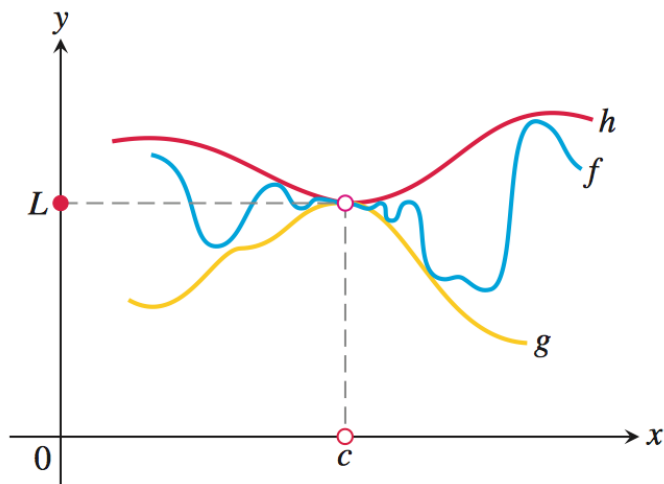
Theorem 1. Suppose that $g(x) \leq f(x) \leq h(x)$ for all x in some open interval containing c , except possibly at $x = c$ itself. Suppose also that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} h(x) = L.$$

Then $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = L$.

(1) If $2 - x^2 \leq g(x) \leq 2 \cos x$ for all x , find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} g(x)$.

(2) Compute $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^2 \cos(\frac{1}{x})$.



2 ONE-SIDED LIMITS

To have a limit L as x approaches c , a function f must be defined on both sides of c and its values $f(x)$ must approach L as x approaches c from either side.

Notation for the right-hand limit: ⁽¹⁾.

Notation for the left-hand limit: ⁽²⁾.

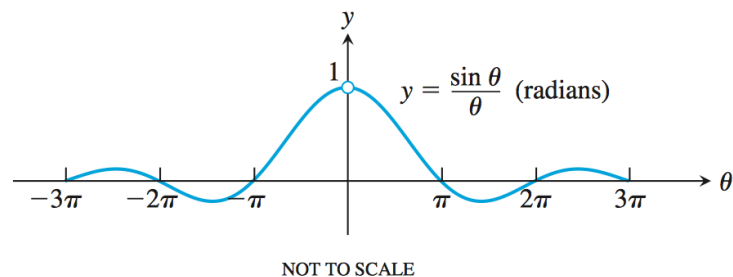
(1) Draw the graph of

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^3, & x \neq 1 \\ 0, & x = 1. \end{cases}$$

Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x)$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x)$. Does $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x)$ exist? If so, why? If not, why not?

(2) Now we compute one of the most famous limits out there (known as the *fundamental limit*):

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x}.$$



(3) Compute the following limits:

(a) $\lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 3y}{4y}.$

(b) $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos h - 1}{h}.$

(4) Let

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 \sin(1/x), & x < 0 \\ \sqrt{x}, & x > 0. \end{cases}$$

Does $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$ exist? Justify.