

Throughout $D \subseteq \mathbb{R}$, x_0 cluster w.r.t to D (6(a))

$\forall g, f, f_1 : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $l, l_1, l_2 \in \mathbb{R}$, $k \in \mathbb{R}, k > 0$.

Definition of Limits & equivalent ones

① use of \leq in place of $<$ (regarding ϵ, δ)

② use $k\epsilon$ in place of ϵ ,
 $k\delta$ in place of δ etc.

③ limit description is "local" : if $\exists \delta > 0$ s.t.

$$f_1(x) = f_2(x) \quad \forall x \in V_\delta(x_0) \cap (D \setminus \{x_0\})$$

then $f_1(x) \rightarrow l$ as $x \rightarrow x_0$ iff $f_2(x) \rightarrow l$ as $x \rightarrow x_0$.

④ some easy rules : multiplication by $c \in \mathbb{R}$ (pos or not),
addition / subtraction

absolute values

squeeze $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 0 \leq f(x) \leq g(x) \quad \forall x \in D \\ \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} g(x) = 0 \end{array} \right.$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) = 0.$$

⑤ deeper results : order-preserving
boundedness

⑥ More on computation rules $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{product} \\ \text{quotient} \\ \text{sq. roots} \end{array} \right.$

proof of product (computational) rule. Let

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$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f_i(x) = l_i$. Then, by Boundedness Th, $\exists M > 0$

$\delta_i > 0$ s.t.

$$(1) |f_i(x)| \leq M \quad \forall x \in (V_{\delta_i}(x_0) \setminus \{x_0\}) \cap D, \quad i=1,2.$$

Replaced by $M+|l_1|+|l_2|$ if necessary, we ^{now} assume
further that $|l_1|, |l_2| \leq M$.

Let $\varepsilon > 0$. Let $\varepsilon' > 0$ be s.t.

$$\varepsilon' \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2M}$$

For this $\varepsilon' > 0$, $\exists \delta'_i > 0$ s.t.

$$(2) |f_i(x) - l_i| < \varepsilon' \quad \forall x \in (V_{\delta'_i}(x_0) \setminus \{x_0\}) \cap D \quad (i=1,2)$$

Let $\delta = \min\{\delta_1, \delta_2, \delta'_1, \delta'_2\}$. Then, applying

(1) and (2) one has $\forall x \in V_\delta$

$$|f_1(x)f_2(x) - l_1l_2| \leq |f_1(x)f_2(x) - f_1(x)l_2| + |f_1(x)l_2 - l_1l_2|$$

$$\leq M|f_2(x) - l_2| + M|f_1(x) - l_1|$$

$$< 2M\varepsilon' \leq \varepsilon. \quad \text{Q.E.D.}$$

Proof of Max-Rule. Let $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f_i(x) = l_i$ and $l = l_1 \vee l_2$.

We do our verification in two separate cases:

(1) l_1, l_2 are distinct (say $l_1 < l_2$), (2) $l_1 = l_2$.

one has $l = l_2$.
 For case (1), let $\gamma = \frac{l_1 + l_2}{2}$; then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f_1(x) = l_1 < \gamma < l_2 = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f_2(x)$$

By the order-preserving property, $\exists \delta_1 > 0$ s.t.

$$f_1(x) < \gamma \quad \forall x \in (\sqrt{\delta_1}(x_0) \setminus \{x_0\}) \cap D$$

and

$$\gamma < f_2(x) \quad \forall x \in (\sqrt{\delta_2}(x_0) \setminus \{x_0\}) \cap D;$$

hence, with $\delta_3 = \delta_1 \wedge \delta_2$, one has

$$f_1(x) < \gamma < f_2(x) \quad \forall x \in (\sqrt{\delta_3}(x_0) \setminus \{x_0\}) \cap D$$

so

$$f_1(x) \vee f_2(x) = f_2(x) \quad \forall x \in \text{---}$$

Consequently

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} (f_1(x) \vee f_2(x)) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f_2(x) = l_2 (= l_1 \vee l_2 = l)$$

For case (2) ($l_1 = l_2$) one has $l = l_1 = l_2$. Let $\varepsilon > 0$.

Then $\exists \delta_1, \delta_2 > 0$ s.t.

$$l_i - \varepsilon < f_i(x) < l_i + \varepsilon \quad \forall x \in (\sqrt{\delta_i}(x_0) \setminus \{x_0\}) \cap D$$

Letting $\delta = \delta_1 \wedge \delta_2$ and noting $l_1 = l_2 = l$ one has

$$l - \varepsilon < \begin{cases} f_1(x) \\ f_2(x) \end{cases} < l + \varepsilon \quad \forall x \in (\sqrt{\delta}(x_0) \setminus \{x_0\}) \cap D$$

and so

$$l - \varepsilon < f_1(x) \vee f_2(x) < l + \varepsilon \quad \forall x \in (\bigcup_{\delta \in \{1/n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \setminus \{1\}} (x_0 - \delta, x_0 + \delta)) \cap D$$

This shows that $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} (f_1(x) \vee f_2(x)) = l$

Remark. Suppose $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) = L$. Then one can show that $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} |f(x)| = |L|$ by $\varepsilon - \delta$ terminology, or via

$$|f(x)| = f^+(x) + f^-(x) \quad \forall x \in D,$$

where, $\forall r \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$r^+ := \max\{r, 0\}$$

$$r^- := \max\{-r, 0\}$$

Another approach: Check $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} |f(x)| = |L|$ when it is given that $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) = L$. Then one can establish the max-rule via

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} (f_1(x) \vee f_2(x)) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \left[\frac{f_1(x) + f_2(x) + |f_1(x) - f_2(x)|}{2} \right]$$