

## Unit II

Neighbourhood of a point ( $x=c$ ): An open ~~open~~ interval around  $x=c$  is called nbd of point 'c' i.e.,  $(c-\delta, c+\delta)$  where  $\delta > 0$ .  
Let  $f(x)$  be fn defined at all points in nbd N of 'c' except possibly at 'c' itself.

Limit: The fn  $f(x)$  is said to tend to limit as  $x$  tends to 'c', if for each  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists \delta > 0$  such that

$$0 < |x-c| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x)-l| < \epsilon$$

$$\cong f(x) \in (l-\epsilon, l+\epsilon) \quad \forall x \in (c-\delta, c+\delta) - \{c\}$$

Infinite limits: The fn  $f(x)$  is said to tend to  $\infty$  as  $x$  tends to 'c', if for each  $G > 0$  (however large),  $\exists \delta > 0$  such that  $f(x) > G$ , when  $|x-c| < \delta$   
( $f(x) < -G$ ).

$$\text{i.e., } \lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = \infty \text{ } (-\infty)$$

Limit approaching  $\infty$ : The fn  $f(x)$  is said to tend to limit  $l$  as  $x$  tends to  $\infty$  if for each  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists K > 0$  such that  $|f(x)-l| < \epsilon$  when  $x > K$

Note: In general  $\delta$  depends on  $\epsilon$

(2)  $\delta$  is not unique

(3)  $\epsilon$  can be replaced by any of its multiple ( $2\epsilon, k\epsilon, k \in \mathbb{R}$ ),  $\sqrt{\epsilon}$  etc.

Left hand limit: A fn  $f$  tends to limit  $l$  as  $x$  tends to 'c' from left if for each  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists \delta > 0$  st  $|f(x)-l| < \epsilon$  when  $c-\delta < x < c$   $\cong \lim_{x \rightarrow c^-} f(x) = l$

\* replace left by right  $\Rightarrow c-\delta < x < c$  by  $c < x < c+\delta$  for defn of right hand limit

Ex Find L.H.L & R.H.L of  $f(x)$  defined as  $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x-2}{|x-2|} & x \neq 2 \\ 0 & x = 2 \end{cases}$

Q Does the limit exist? If yes, find the limit.

Soln  $|x-2| = \begin{cases} x-2 & x > 2 \\ 2-x & x < 2 \end{cases}$

L.H.L =  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{x-2}{2-x} = -1$

R.H.L =  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{x-2}{x-2} = 1$

L.H.L  $\neq$  R.H.L  
∴ limit does not exist.

Ex Find  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x e^{1/x}}{1 + e^{1/x}}$

Soln If  $x \rightarrow 0^+$   $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{x} \rightarrow \infty$  & hence  $e^{1/x} \rightarrow \infty$ . So, divide

Consider  $\frac{x}{e^{1/x} + 1} \rightarrow 0$  as  $x \rightarrow 0^+$

If  $x \rightarrow 0^- \Rightarrow \frac{1}{x} \rightarrow -\infty \therefore \frac{x e^{1/x}}{1 + e^{1/x}} \rightarrow 0$

Hence 0 may be the limit. Now,

$$\left| \frac{x e^{1/x}}{1 + e^{1/x}} - 0 \right| = |x| \left| \frac{e^{1/x}}{1 + e^{1/x}} \right| = |x| \left| \frac{1}{1 + e^{1/x}} \right| < |x| < \epsilon$$

Choose  $\delta = \epsilon$ . Then

$$\left| \frac{x e^{1/x}}{1 + e^{1/x}} - 0 \right| < \epsilon \text{ when } |x - 0| < \delta \Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x e^{1/x}}{1 + e^{1/x}} = 0 //$$

Ex Show that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{4}{(x-1)^2} = \infty$

Soln Let  $G > 0$  be a large number. Then  $\left| \frac{4}{(x-1)^2} \right| > G$

$$\Rightarrow (x-1)^2 > \frac{4}{G} \Rightarrow |x-1| < \frac{\sqrt{4/G}}{2} = \delta$$

$\Rightarrow \frac{4}{(x-1)^2} > G$  when  $0 < |x-1| < \delta$  (where  $\delta = \frac{\sqrt{4/G}}{2}$ ). Hence,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{4}{(x-1)^2} = \infty //$$



Ex Find  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} e^x \operatorname{sgn}(x + [x])$ , where signum fn is defined as  $\operatorname{sgn}(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x > 0 \\ 0 & x = 0 \\ -1 & x < 0 \end{cases}$  where  $[x]$  means greatest integer  $\leq x$ .

Soln L.H.L:  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} f(0-h) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} e^{-h} \operatorname{sgn}(-h + [-h])$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} e^{-h} \operatorname{sgn}(-h-1) = -1$$

R.H.L  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} f(h) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} e^h \operatorname{sgn}(h + [h])$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} e^h \operatorname{sgn}(h+0) = +1$$

$\therefore$  LHL  $\neq$  RHL, the limit does not exist.

Theorem: If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$  exists, then limit must be unique

Proof: Assume that  $f(x) \rightarrow l_1$  &  $l_2$  where  $l_1 \neq l_2$

$\therefore$  For given  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists \delta_1$  s.t.  $|f(x) - l_1| < \epsilon/2$  when  $|x-a| < \delta_1$ ,  
 $\epsilon$  for given  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists \delta_2$  s.t.  $|f(x) - l_2| < \epsilon/2$  when  $|x-a| < \delta_2$

Let  $\delta = \min(\delta_1, \delta_2)$ . So,

$$|l_1 - l_2| = |l_1 - f(x) + f(x) - l_2| \leq |f(x) - l_1| + |f(x) - l_2| < \epsilon$$

$\Rightarrow l_1 = l_2$  // (In Unit I we had proved that "if for any  $\epsilon > 0$   $|b-a| < \epsilon$  then  $a=b$ ")

Theorem on limits: Let  $f$  and  $g$  be 2 fns defined on some nbd of point  $c$ , s.t.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = l$  &  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x) = m$ ,

then (1)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} (f \pm g)(x) = l \pm m$  (2)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} (fg)(x) = lm$

(3)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(x) = \frac{f(c)}{g(c)} = \frac{l}{m}$ ,  $m \neq 0$  (4)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} (kf)(x) = k \cdot f(x)$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Proof: " Do it yourself (Hint: Theorem proved above)

2) Let  $\epsilon > 0$  be given. Then

$$\begin{aligned} |(fg)(x) - lm| &= |(fg)(x) - mf(x) + mf(x) - lm| \\ &\leq |f(x)| |g(x) - m| + |m| |f(x) - l| \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

$\because f(x) \rightarrow l$  as  $x \rightarrow c \Rightarrow$  for each  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists \delta_1 > 0$  s.t.  
 $|f(x) - l| < \frac{\epsilon}{1+|m|}$  (Take  $\epsilon = 1$ ) when  $0 < |x-c| < \delta_1$ ,  
 $\Rightarrow |f(x)| < 1 + |l| \quad (2)$

$\because g(x) \rightarrow m$  as  $x \rightarrow c \Rightarrow \exists \delta_2 > 0$  s.t.  $|g(x) - m| < \frac{\epsilon/2}{1+|l|} \quad (3)$   
when  $0 < |x-c| < \delta_2$

$\because f(x) \rightarrow l$  as  $x \rightarrow c$ ,  $\exists \delta_3 > 0$  s.t.  
 $|f(x) - l| < \frac{\epsilon/2}{|m|}$  when  $0 < |x-c| < \delta_3 \quad (4)$

Let  $\delta = \min(\delta_1, \delta_2, \delta_3)$ . From (1), (2), (3) & (4) we have

$$|(fg)(x) - lm| < (1+|l|) \frac{\epsilon/2}{(1+|l|)} + |m| \frac{\epsilon/2}{|m|} = \epsilon.$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow c} (fg)(x) = lm //$$

(3) & (4) Do yourself.

Ex Evaluate

$$(1) \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{x^2 - 25}{x - 5} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{(x-5)(x+5)}{(x-5)} = 10 //$$

$$(2) \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{1}{(x+1)} \left[ \frac{1}{x+3} - \frac{2}{3x+5} \right] = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{1}{(x+1)} \left[ \frac{(x+1)}{(x+3)(3x+5)} \right] = \frac{1}{32} //$$

$$\begin{aligned} (3) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - 2\cos x + \cos 2x}{x^2} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - 2\cos x + 2\cos^2 x - x^2}{x^2} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2\cos x (\cos x - 1)}{x^2} \times \frac{(\cos x + 1)}{(\cos x + 1)} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2 \cos x}{(1 + \cos x)} \cdot \frac{(-\sin^2 x)}{x^2} = -2 \left( \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos x}{1 + \cos x} \right) \left( \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin^2 x}{x^2} \right)$$

$$= -2 \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) (1) = -1, \quad (\because \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = 1)$$

Ex Show that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{\sqrt{x}} - e^{-\sqrt{x}}}{e^{\sqrt{x}} + e^{-\sqrt{x}}}$  does not exist

Soln L.H.L  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{1}{x} = -\infty \quad \therefore e^{\sqrt{x}} \rightarrow 0$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{e^{\sqrt{x}} - e^{-\sqrt{x}}}{e^{\sqrt{x}} + e^{-\sqrt{x}}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{e^{2\sqrt{x}} - 1}{e^{2\sqrt{x}} + 1} = -1$$

R.H.L  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{x} \rightarrow \infty \quad \therefore e^{-\sqrt{x}} \rightarrow 0$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{e^{\sqrt{x}} - e^{-\sqrt{x}}}{e^{\sqrt{x}} + e^{-\sqrt{x}}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1 - e^{-2\sqrt{x}}}{1 + e^{-2\sqrt{x}}} = 1$$

L.H.L  $\neq$  R.H.L  
 $\therefore$  limit does not exist.