

AP CALCULUS
DEFINITION OF LIMIT

1. For $\epsilon = .1$ we need to find a δ such that whenever

$$\begin{aligned}|x - 3| < \delta &\longrightarrow |(6x + 1) - 19| < .1 \\|6x - 18| &< .1 \\6|x - 3| &< .1 \\|x - 3| &< \frac{.1}{6} \\\therefore \text{choose } \delta &\leq \frac{.1}{6}.\end{aligned}$$

2. For $\epsilon = .5$ we need to find a δ such that whenever

$$\begin{aligned}|x - 2| < \delta &\longrightarrow \left| \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{2} \right| < \frac{1}{2} \\\left| \frac{2-x}{2x} \right| &< \frac{1}{2} \\|x - 2| &< |x|\end{aligned}$$

Consider the interval $[1, 3]$.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{When } x = 1 &\longrightarrow |x| = 1 \\ \text{When } x = 3 &\longrightarrow |x| = 3 \\\therefore \text{choose } \delta &\leq 1.\end{aligned}$$

3. For $\epsilon = .5$ we need to find a δ such that whenever

$$\begin{aligned}|x - 1| < \delta &\longrightarrow |x^2 - 1| < .5 \\|x - 1||x + 1| &< .5 \\|x - 1| &< \frac{.5}{|x + 1|}\end{aligned}$$

Consider the interval $[0, 2]$.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{When } x = 0 &\longrightarrow \frac{.5}{|x + 1|} = .5 \\\text{When } x = 2 &\frac{.5}{|x + 1|} = \frac{.5}{3} \\\therefore \text{choose } \delta &\leq \frac{.5}{3}.\end{aligned}$$

4. For $\forall \epsilon > 0$ we need to find a $\delta > 0$ such that whenever

$$\begin{aligned} |x - 2| < \delta &\longrightarrow |(3x - 2) - 4| &< \epsilon \\ |3x - 6| &< \epsilon \\ |x - 2| &< \frac{\epsilon}{3} \\ \therefore \text{choose } \delta &= \min \left\{ 1, \frac{\epsilon}{3} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

5. For $\forall \epsilon > 0$ we need to find a $\delta > 0$ such that whenever

$$\begin{aligned} |x + 1| < \delta &\longrightarrow |(5x + 8) - 3| &< \epsilon \\ |5x + 5| &< \epsilon \\ |x + 1| &< \frac{\epsilon}{5} \\ \therefore \text{choose } \delta &= \min \left\{ 1, \frac{\epsilon}{5} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

6. For $\forall \epsilon > 0$ we need to find a $\delta > 0$ such that whenever

$$\begin{aligned} |x - 2| < \delta &\longrightarrow \left| \frac{x}{7} - \frac{2}{7} \right| &< \epsilon \\ \frac{1}{7}|x - 2| &< \epsilon \\ |x - 2| &< 7\epsilon \\ \therefore \text{choose } \delta &= \min \{1, 7\epsilon\}. \end{aligned}$$

7. For $\forall \epsilon > 0$ we need to find a $\delta > 0$ such that whenever

$$\begin{aligned} |x + 5| < \delta &\longrightarrow \left| \left(4 - \frac{3x}{5} \right) - 7 \right| &< \epsilon \\ \left| \frac{-15 - 3x}{5} \right| &< \epsilon \\ \left| \frac{-3(x + 5)}{5} \right| &< \epsilon \\ \frac{3}{5}|x + 5| &< \epsilon \\ |x + 5| &< \frac{5\epsilon}{3} \\ \therefore \text{choose } \delta &= \min \left\{ 1, \frac{5\epsilon}{3} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

8. For $\forall \epsilon > 0$ we need to find a $\delta > 0$ such that whenever

$$|x - a| < \delta \longrightarrow |x - a| < \epsilon \\ \therefore \text{choose } \delta = \min \{1, \epsilon\}.$$

9. For $\forall \epsilon > 0$ we need to find a $\delta > 0$ such that whenever

$$|x - 0| < \delta \longrightarrow |x^2 - 0| < \epsilon \\ |x - 0||x + 0| < \epsilon \\ |x - 0| < \frac{\epsilon}{|x|}$$

Consider the interval $[-1, 1]$.

$$\text{When } x = -1 \longrightarrow \frac{\epsilon}{|-1|} = \epsilon$$

$$\text{When } x = 1 \longrightarrow \frac{\epsilon}{|1|} = \epsilon$$

$$\therefore \text{choose } \delta = \min \{1, \epsilon\}.$$

10. For $\forall \epsilon > 0$ we need to find a $\delta > 0$ such that whenever

$$|x - 2| < \delta \longrightarrow |(x^2 - 4x + 5) - 1| < \epsilon \\ |x^2 - 4x + 4| < \epsilon \\ |x - 2||x - 2| < \epsilon \\ |x - 2| < \frac{\epsilon}{|x - 2|}$$

Consider the interval $[1, 3]$.

$$\text{When } x = 1 \longrightarrow \frac{\epsilon}{|1 - 2|} = \epsilon$$

$$\text{When } x = 3 \longrightarrow \frac{\epsilon}{|3 - 2|} = \epsilon$$

$$\therefore \text{choose } \delta = \min \{1, \epsilon\}.$$

11. For $\forall \epsilon > 0$ we need to find a $\delta > 0$ such that whenever

$$\begin{aligned} |x+2| < \delta &\longrightarrow |(x^2 - 1) - 3| &< \epsilon \\ &|x^2 - 4| &< \epsilon \\ &|x-2||x+2| &< \epsilon \\ |x+2| &< \frac{\epsilon}{|x-2|} \end{aligned}$$

Consider the interval $[-3, -1]$.

$$\text{When } x = -3 \longrightarrow \frac{\epsilon}{|x-2|} = \frac{\epsilon}{5}$$

$$\text{When } x = -1 \longrightarrow \frac{\epsilon}{|x-2|} = \frac{\epsilon}{3}$$

$$\therefore \text{choose } \delta = \min \left\{ 1, \frac{\epsilon}{5} \right\}.$$

12. For $\forall \epsilon > 0$ we need to find a $\delta > 0$ such that whenever

$$\begin{aligned} |x-3| < \delta &\longrightarrow |(x^2 + 5x + 6) - 30| &< \epsilon \\ &|x^2 + 5x - 24| &< \epsilon \\ &|x-3||x+8| &< \epsilon \\ |x-3| &< \frac{\epsilon}{|x+8|} \end{aligned}$$

Consider the interval $[2, 4]$.

$$\text{When } x = 2 \longrightarrow \frac{\epsilon}{|x+8|} = \frac{\epsilon}{10}$$

$$\text{When } x = 4 \longrightarrow \frac{\epsilon}{|x+8|} = \frac{\epsilon}{12}$$

$$\therefore \text{choose } \delta = \min \left\{ 1, \frac{\epsilon}{12} \right\}.$$

13. For $\forall \epsilon > 0$ we need to find a $\delta > 0$ such that whenever

$$\begin{aligned} |x-3| < \delta &\longrightarrow |(x^2 + x - 4) - 8| &< \epsilon \\ &|x^2 + x - 12| &< \epsilon \\ &|x+4||x-3| &< \epsilon \\ |x-3| &< \frac{\epsilon}{|x+4|} \end{aligned}$$

Consider the interval $[2, 4]$.

$$\text{When } x = 2 \longrightarrow \frac{\epsilon}{|x+4|} = \frac{\epsilon}{6}$$

$$\text{When } x = 4 \longrightarrow \frac{\epsilon}{|x+4|} = \frac{\epsilon}{8}$$

$$\therefore \text{choose } \delta = \min \left\{ 1, \frac{\epsilon}{8} \right\}.$$