

Ex1. Use ϵ, δ definition of the limit to show that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 9} \sqrt{x-5} = 2$$

Solution: let $0 < \epsilon < 1$. We need to find $\delta > 0$ such that

$$\text{if } |x-9| < \delta \text{ then } |\sqrt{x-5} - 2| < \epsilon.$$

$$\text{If } |\sqrt{x-5} - 2| < \epsilon, \text{ then: } 2 - \epsilon < \sqrt{x-5} < 2 + \epsilon$$

Squaring the last inequality implies:

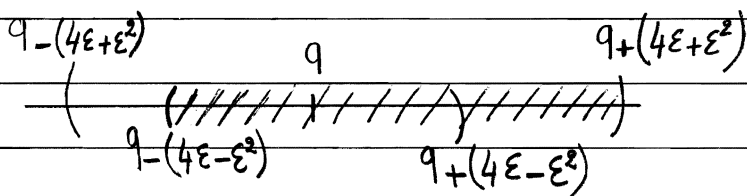
$$(2 - \epsilon)^2 < x - 5 < (2 + \epsilon)^2, \text{ and so:}$$

$$5 + (2 - \epsilon)^2 < x < 5 + (2 + \epsilon)^2$$

or

$9 - (4\epsilon - \epsilon^2) < x < 9 + (4\epsilon + \epsilon^2)$. In other words we have proved the following: for a fixed ϵ between 0 and 1:

$$|\sqrt{x-5} - 2| < \epsilon \text{ iff } 9 - (4\epsilon - \epsilon^2) < x < 9 + (4\epsilon + \epsilon^2)$$



Hence δ could be anything in $(0, 4\epsilon - \epsilon^2]$. It is enough to choose $\delta = 4\epsilon - \epsilon^2$.

Ex 2. $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{\sqrt{1 - \cos 4\theta}}{3\theta}$ is of the form $\frac{0}{0}$

Now. $\sin^2(2\theta) = \frac{1 - \cos(4\theta)}{2}$ and so.

$1 - \cos 4\theta = 2 \sin^2(2\theta)$. Thus:

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{\sqrt{1 - \cos 4\theta}}{3\theta} = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{\sqrt{2 \sin^2(2\theta)}}{3\theta} = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{\sqrt{2} |\sin 2\theta|}{3\theta}$$

Since $\theta \rightarrow 0^-$, $\theta < 0$ and so $\sin(2\theta) < 0$. Thus:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{\sqrt{2} |\sin 2\theta|}{3\theta} &= \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{\sqrt{2} - \sin 2\theta}{3\theta} \\ &= \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0^-} \left(-\frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} \cdot 2 \cdot \frac{\sin 2\theta}{2\theta} \right) = -\frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3} \end{aligned}$$