

§1.6 Limit Laws

49. Let $g(x) = \frac{x^2 + x - 6}{|x - 2|}$.

(a) Find

(i) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} g(x)$

(ii) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} g(x)$

(b) Does $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} g(x)$ exist?

(c) Sketch the graph of g .

$$|x-2| = \begin{cases} x-2 & \text{IF } x-2 \geq 0 \\ -(x-2) = 2-x & \text{IF } x-2 < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{(x+3)(x-2)}{(x-2)} = x+3 & \text{IF } x \geq 2 \\ \frac{(x+3)(x-2)}{-(x-2)} = -(x+3) & \text{IF } x < 2 \end{cases}$$

So

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} g(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} x+3 = 5$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} g(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} -(x+3) = -5$$

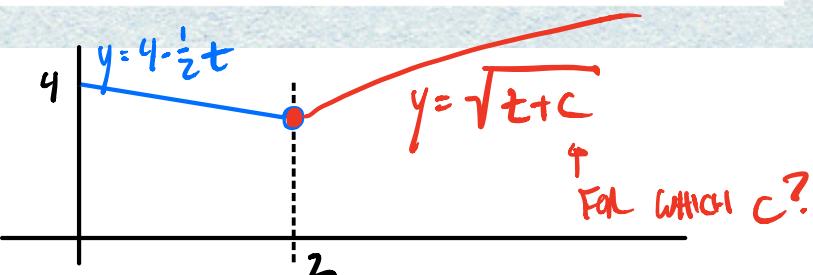
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} g(x) \text{ D.N.E. BECAUSE}$$

THESE LIMITS ARE NOT EQUAL!

51. Let

$$B(t) = \begin{cases} 4 - \frac{1}{2}t & \text{if } t < 2 \\ \sqrt{t+c} & \text{if } t \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

Find the value of c so that $\lim_{t \rightarrow 2} B(t)$ exists.



IN ORDER FOR $\lim_{t \rightarrow 2} B(t)$ TO EXIST, WE REQUIRE

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 2^-} B(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 2^+} B(t)$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 2^-} 4 - \frac{1}{2}t = \lim_{t \rightarrow 2^+} \sqrt{t+c} \quad (\text{D.S.R.})$$

$$3 = \sqrt{2+c}$$

$$9 = 2 + c \Rightarrow c = 7$$

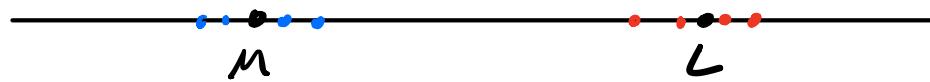
THEOREM: IF $f(x) \leq g(x)$ FOR x NEAR a , $x \neq a$,

AND IF $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$ AND $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)$ BOTH EXIST

THEN $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) \leq \lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)$.

$$\underbrace{}_L \quad \underbrace{}_M$$

ASSUME IF $L > M$

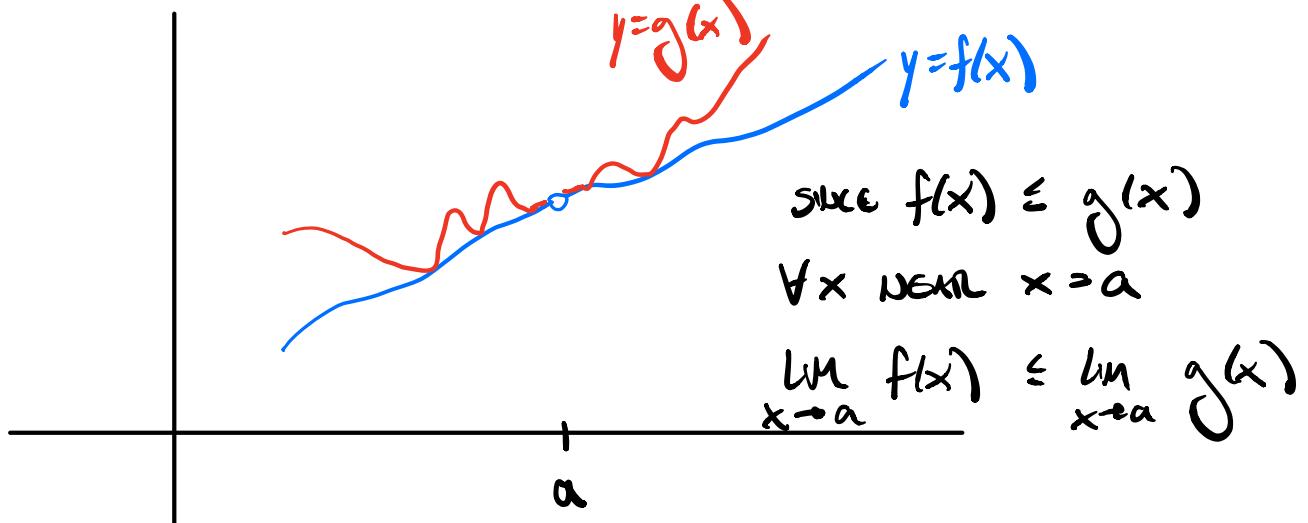


THEN AS $x \rightarrow a$, $f(x) \rightarrow L$ AND $g(x) \rightarrow M$

SO EVENTUALLY, AS $x \rightarrow a$, WE MUST HAVE

$$f(x) \geq g(x)$$

THIS CONTRADICTION IMPLIES THE ASSUMPTION IS WRONG. ✓



THM (SQUEEZE THM)

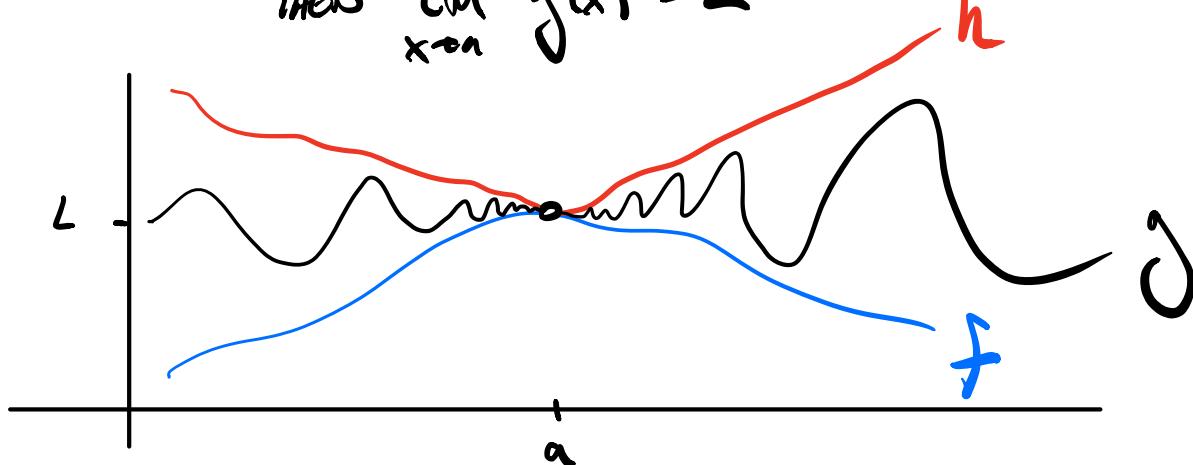
IF $f(x) \leq g(x) \leq h(x)$ for x near a , $x \neq a$,

AND IF

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} h(x) = L$$

THEN $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = L$



ex. FIND $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^4 \cos\left(\frac{2}{x}\right)$.

Note: $-1 \leq \cos(\theta) \leq 1$

You came up with $f \in h$ $-1 \leq \cos\left(\frac{2}{x}\right) \leq 1, x \neq 0$

$$f(-x^4) \leq x^4 \cos\left(\frac{2}{x}\right) \leq x^4, x \neq 0$$

Squeeze Thm \Rightarrow

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} -x^4 \leq \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^4 \cos\left(\frac{2}{x}\right) \leq \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^4$$

\downarrow

$$0 \leq \underline{\underline{0}} \leq 0$$

HW #4 §1.6 Due 9/18

§1.8 Continuity

- Def of continuity
- Types of discontinuities
- Properties: applying limit laws to continuous functions
- Compositions of continuous functions
- Intermediate Value Thm.

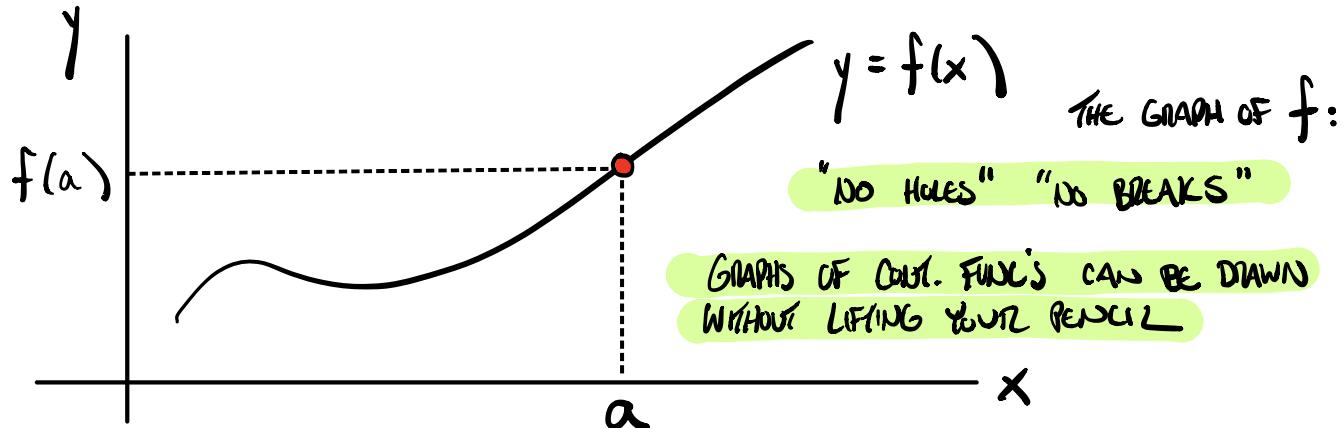
Def: f is continuous at a if

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = f(a)$$

(1) EXISTS

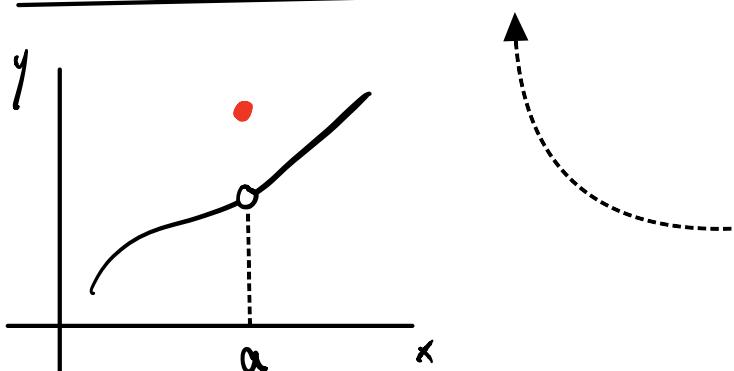
(2) DEFINED

(3) EQUAL



f IS **CONTINUOUS ON AN INTERVAL I** IF
 f IS **CONTINUOUS AT EVERY POINT IN I .**

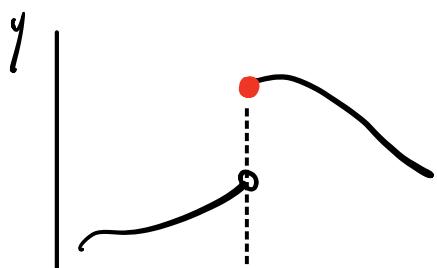
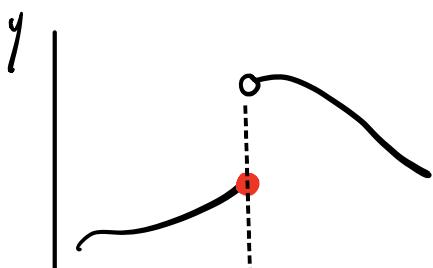
TYPES OF Discontinuities :

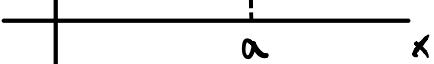


REMovable DISCONTINUITY

AT $x = a$

DISCONTINUITIES ARE VALUES OF x WHERE f IS **NOT CONTINUOUS**

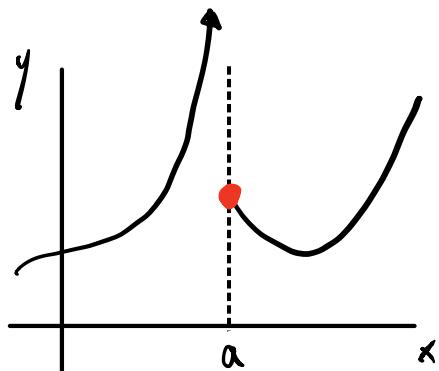




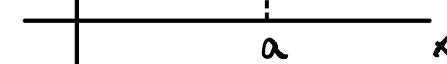
JUMP

CONTINUOUS FROM THE LEFT

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x) = f(a)$$



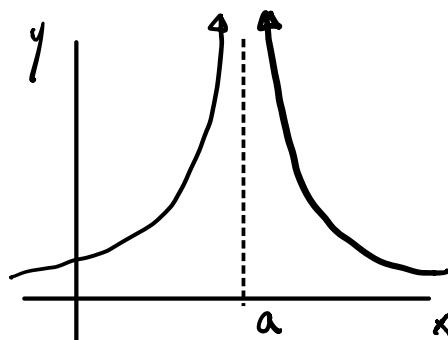
INFINITE



JUMP

CONTINUOUS FROM THE RIGHT

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x) = f(a)$$



INFINITE

AT LEAST ONE OF THE ONE-SIDED LIMITS IS ∞ (D.N.E.)

Properties of Continuous Functions:

4 Theorem If f and g are continuous at a and if c is a constant, then the following functions are also continuous at a :

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|------------|-----------------------------------|---------|
| 1. $f + g$ | 2. $f - g$ | 3. cf |
| 4. fg | 5. $\frac{f}{g}$ if $g(a) \neq 0$ | |

Follows IMMEDIATELY FROM LIMIT LAWS (§1.6)
& DEF. OF CONTINUITY.

e.g. PROOF OF 4. SHOW $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)g(x) = f(a)g(a)$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10cm}}$
 f_a is continuous at $x = a$

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$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)g(x) = \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) \right) \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) \right)$$

$$= f(a) g(a)$$

7 Theorem The following types of functions are continuous at every number in their domains:

- polynomials
- rational functions
- root functions
- trigonometric functions

BASICALLY A RESTATEMENT OF D.S.R.

LIMITS CAN BE EVALUATED
BY PLUGGING IN (ON THEIR DOMAIN)

ex. 39-40 Show that f is continuous on $(-\infty, \infty)$.

39. $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 - x^2 & \text{if } x \leq 1 \\ \sqrt{x-1} & \text{if } x > 1 \end{cases}$

Show $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = f(a)$ for all $-\infty < a < \infty$.

- (1) $a < 1$
(2) $a > 1$
(3) $a = 1$

(1) $a < 1 : \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} 1 - x^2 = 1 - a^2 = f(a)$

(2) $a > 1 : \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \sqrt{x-1} = \sqrt{\lim_{x \rightarrow a} (x-1)}$

$$= \sqrt{a-1} = f(a-1)$$



(3) SHOW $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x) = f(1)$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} 1-x^2 = 1-(1)^2 = 0 \quad \left. \right\} = f(1)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} \sqrt{x-1} = \sqrt{1-1} = 0$$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x) = f(1)$$



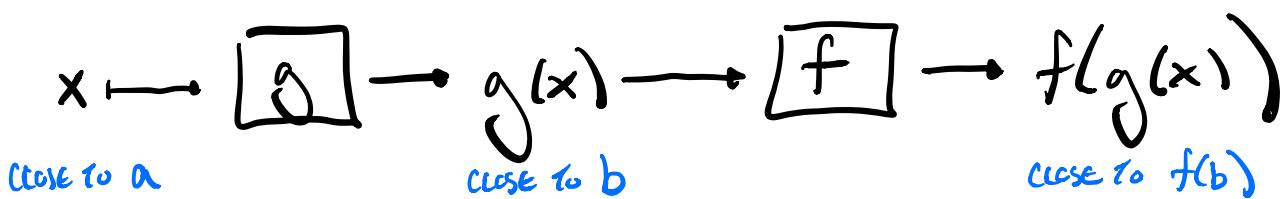
COMPOSITIONS OF CONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS:

8 Theorem If f is continuous at b and $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = b$, then $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(g(x)) = f(b)$.
In other words,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(g(x)) = f\left(\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)\right)$$

AS $x \rightarrow a$, $g(x) \rightarrow b$

AS $x \rightarrow b$, $f(x) \rightarrow f(b)$



LIMITS CAN PASS THROUGH CONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS.

ex. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4}} \sin(\sqrt{x})$ since $\sin x$ is continuous on $(-\infty, \infty)$, then \Rightarrow

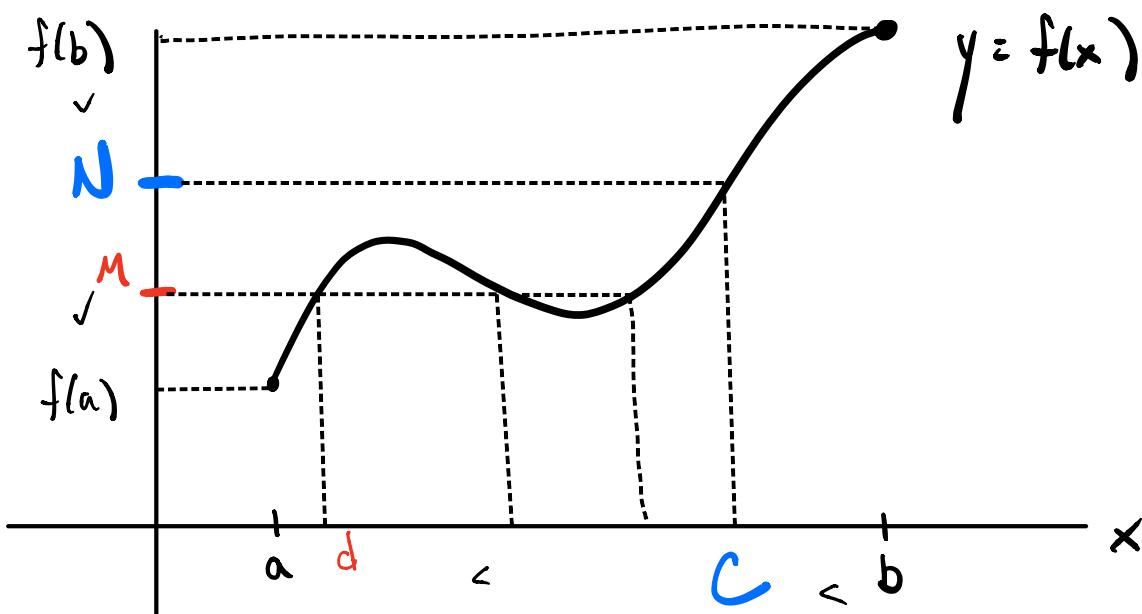
$$= \sin\left(\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4}} \sqrt{x}\right) = \sin\left(\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{4}}\right)$$

9 Theorem If g is continuous at a and f is continuous at $g(a)$, then the composite function $f \circ g$ given by $(f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x))$ is continuous at a .

i.e. THE COMPOSITION OF CONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS
IS CONTINUOUS.

THE INTERMEDIATE VALUE THM :

10 The Intermediate Value Theorem Suppose that f is continuous on the closed interval $[a, b]$ and let N be any number between $f(a)$ and $f(b)$, where $f(a) \neq f(b)$. Then there exists a number c in (a, b) such that $f(c) = N$.



53–56 Use the Intermediate Value Theorem to show that there is a root of the given equation in the specified interval.

53. $x^4 + x - 3 = 0$, (1, 2)

54. $2/x = x - \sqrt{x}$, (2, 3)

55. $\cos x = x$, (0, 1)

56. $\sin x = x^2 - x$, (1, 2)

57–58 (a) Prove that the equation has at least one real root.

(b) Use your calculator to find an interval of length 0.01 that contains a root.

57. $\cos x = x^3$

58. $x^5 - x^2 + 2x + 3 = 0$

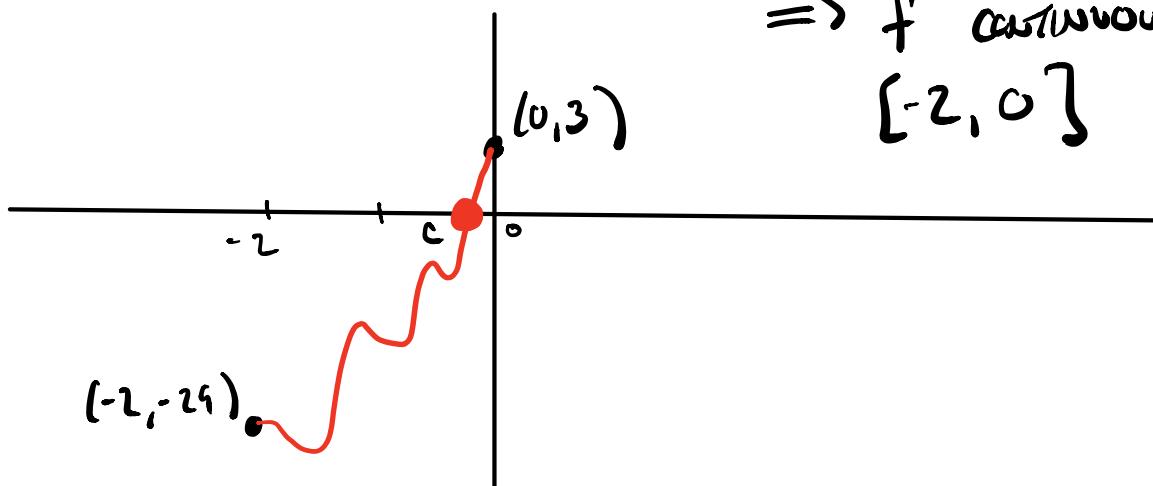
$$f(x) = x^5 - x^2 + 2x + 3$$

$$f(-2) = -32 - 4 + 4 + 3 = -29 < 0$$

$$f(0) = 3 > 0$$

f is POLYNOMIAL

$\Rightarrow f$ CONTINUOUS ON
 $[-2, 0]$



SINCE f IS CONT. ON $[-2, 0]$ &

$$f(-2) = -29 \quad \& \quad f(0) = 3, \text{ AND } f(-2) \leq 0 \leq f(0)$$

I.V.T. \Rightarrow THERE IS A # $-2 < c < 0$
such that $f(c) = 0$