

By the intermediate value theorem, if  $f(x)$  is a continuous function on  $[a, b]$  and  $R$  is a number  $f(a) < R < f(b)$ , then there is a number  $c$  such that  $f(c) = R$ .

In the question,  $a_1 = 0$ ,  $b_1 = \pi/2$ ,  $f(a_1) = -1$ ,  $f(b_1) = 2 - \pi/2$   
 so  $f(a_1) < R < f(b_1)$   
 implies  $f(0) < R < f(\pi/2)$   
 $-1 < R < 2 - \pi/2$

Put  $R = 0$ , then there must be a value  $c_1$  such that  $f(c_1) = 0$ .

On the interval  $[\pi/2, \pi]$ ,  $a_2 = \pi/2$ ,  $b_2 = \pi$ ,  $f(a_2) = 2 - \pi/2$   
 $f(b_2) = 1 - \pi$   
 $(2 - \pi/2 > 0, 1 - \pi < 0)$

so the intermediate value theorem states that  $f(a_2) > R > f(b_2)$   
 $2 - \pi/2 > R > 1 - \pi$

Put  $R = 0$ , then there is a number  $c_2$  such that  $f(c_2) = 0$

5)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} 3 \sin\left(\frac{1}{|x|}\right)$

Choose two null sequences  $x_1$  and  $x_2$

$$x_{n_1} = \frac{1}{(2n + 1/2)\pi}$$

$$x_{n_2} = \frac{1}{(2n + 3/2)\pi}$$

for  $x_{n_1}$   
 $3 \sin\left(\frac{1}{|x|}\right) = 3 \sin(2n + 1/2)\pi = 3 \times 1 = 3$

for  $x_{n_2}$   
 $3 \sin\left(\frac{1}{|x|}\right) = 3 \sin(2n + 3/2)\pi = 3 \times -1 = -3$

the limits for the two sequences are different  
 hence  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} 3 \sin\left(\frac{1}{|x|}\right)$  does not exist.