

Definition 12.2. [138] A function $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is said lower semicontinuous (abbreviated l.s.c.) if

$$\forall x_0 \in D(X) \quad , \quad \liminf_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) \geq f(x_0)$$

and vice versa it says upper semicontinuous (abbreviated u.s.c.) if

$$\forall x_0 \in D(X) \quad , \quad \limsup_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) \leq f(x_0) .$$

($D(X)$ are the accumulation points in X).