

INSTRUCTIONS

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1. Calculate each limit below, if it exists. If a limit does not exist, explain why. Show all work. Writing an answer with no justification may not yield any marks.

[3] (a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{2 - 3x^2}{|x - 2|}$.

Solution: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} 2 - 3x^2 = -10$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} |x - 2| = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} (x - 2) = 0^+$.

Therefore the limit goes to either $\pm\infty$.

Since the fraction is negative, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x) = -\infty$.

[5] (b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x - 3}{\sqrt{2x + 3} - \sqrt{3x}}$.

Solution: We rationalize the denominator:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x - 3}{\sqrt{2x + 3} - \sqrt{3x}} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{(x - 3)(\sqrt{2x + 3} + \sqrt{3x})}{(\sqrt{2x + 3} - \sqrt{3x})(\sqrt{2x + 3} + \sqrt{3x})} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{(x - 3)(\sqrt{2x + 3} + \sqrt{3x})}{2x + 3 - 3x} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{(x - 3)(\sqrt{2x + 3} + \sqrt{3x})}{-(x - 3)} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} -(\sqrt{2x + 3} + \sqrt{3x}) \\ &= -6. \end{aligned}$$

[6] (c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{\sqrt{9x^2 + x}}{2x - 1}$.

Solution: Notice that $\sqrt{x^2} = -x$ because $x < 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{\sqrt{9x^2 + x}}{2x - 1} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{\sqrt{x^2(9 + \frac{1}{x})}}{2x - 1} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{\sqrt{x^2} \sqrt{(9 + \frac{1}{x})}}{x(2 - \frac{1}{x})} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{-x \sqrt{(9 + \frac{1}{x})}}{x(2 - \frac{1}{x})} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{-\sqrt{(9 + \frac{1}{x})}}{(2 - \frac{1}{x})} \\ &= \frac{-\sqrt{(9 + 0)}}{(2 - 0)} = -\frac{3}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

[2] (d) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x^3 - 3x^2}{x^2 - 9}$.

Solution:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x^3 - 3x^2}{x^2 - 9} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x^2(x - 3)}{(x + 3)(x - 3)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x^2}{x + 3} = \frac{3}{2}$$

[4] (e) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (x - 1)^2 \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{\sqrt[3]{x - 1}}\right)$.

Solution: For all $x \neq 1$, $-1 \leq \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{\sqrt[3]{x - 1}}\right) \leq 1$.

Thus, for $x \neq 1$,

$$-(x - 1)^2 \leq (x - 1)^2 \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{\sqrt[3]{x - 1}}\right) \leq (x - 1)^2.$$

Since both $(x - 1)^2 \rightarrow 0$ and $-(x - 1)^2 \rightarrow 0$, as $x \rightarrow 1$, then by the Squeeze Theorem,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (x - 1)^2 \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{\sqrt[3]{x - 1}}\right) = 0.$$

- [7] 2. Let f be the function:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} c^2x & \text{if } x < 1 \\ 4 & \text{if } x = 1 \\ 3cx - 2 & \text{if } x > 1 \end{cases}$$

Find all values of c for which $f(x)$ is continuous for all real numbers. Be sure to fully justify your answer.

Solution: For any c , the function is continuous on $(-\infty, 1) \cup (1, \infty)$ because it is a polynomial in those intervals.

The function will be continuous at $x = 1$ if

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x) = f(1) = 4.$$

Furthermore,

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} c^2x & \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} 3cx - 2 \\ &= c^2. & &= 3c - 2. \end{aligned}$$

Then,

$$c^2 = 4 = 3c - 2.$$

We now find c :

$$\begin{aligned} c^2 &= 4 & 3c - 2 &= 4 \\ c &= \pm\sqrt{4} & 3c &= 6 \\ c &= \pm 2 & c &= 2. \end{aligned}$$

The only value of c that makes both above statements true is $c = 2$. We conclude that for $c = 2$ the function $f(x)$ is continuous for all real numbers.

- [7] 3. Use the **definition of derivative** to find $f'(x)$. No credit will be given for any other method.

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{4+x}$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{4+(x+h)} - \frac{1}{4+x}}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{4+x - (4+(x+h))}{h(4+(x+h))(4+x)} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{4+x-4-x-h}{h(4+x+h)(4+x)} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-h}{h(4+x+h)(4+x)} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-1}{(4+x+h)(4+x)} \\ &= -\frac{1}{(4+x)^2}. \end{aligned}$$

- [5] 4. Find the domain of the function $f(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2(x+1)}{(x^2-4)}}$. Express your final answer in terms of intervals.

Solution: $f(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2(x+1)}{(x^2-4)}} = \sqrt{\frac{2(x+1)}{(x-2)(x+2)}}$.

The radicand needs to be non-negative under the square root and non-zero in the denominator. Let $h(x) = \frac{2(x+1)}{(x-2)(x+2)}$

x	$x < -2$	$-2 < x < -1$	$-1 < x < 2$	$x > 2$
$x + 2$	–	+	+	+
$x - 2$	–	–	–	+
$x + 1$	–	–	+	+
$h(x)$	–	+	–	+

Therefore, $D_f = (-2, -1] \cup (2, \infty)$.

- [5] 5. Use the Intermediate Value Theorem to show that $x^3 - 4x + \frac{1}{x} = 0$ has at least one solution on the interval $[1, 2]$.

Solution: Let $f(x) = x^3 - 4x + \frac{1}{x}$, then $f(x)$ is continuous for all x except $x = 0$.

In particular, $f(x)$ is continuous on the interval $[1, 2]$.

We now check the value of $f(x)$ at the end points:

$$f(1) = (1)^3 - 4(1) + \frac{1}{1} = -2 < 0, \quad f(2) = 2^3 - 4(2) + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{9}{2} > 0$$

Since the values of the function at the end points have different signs, using the Intermediate Value Theorem, we conclude that there is a point c on the interval $[1, 2]$ such that $f(c) = 0$. Therefore, there exist at least one solution of the equation on $[1, 2]$.

- [6] 6. Use the **definition of derivative** to show that

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

is differentiable at $x = 1$.

Solution:

The right-hand derivative of f at $x = 1$ is given by

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(1+h) - f(1)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{[2(1+h)] - 2}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{2h}{h} = 2.$$

The left-hand derivative of f at $x = 1$ is given by

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{f(1+h) - f(1)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{[(1+h)^2 + 1] - 2}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} (2+h) = 2.$$

Since the left-hand and right-hand derivatives are the same at $x = 1$, the function f is differentiable there.

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