

**Instructions:** Write your work up neatly and attach to this page. Record your final answers (only) directly on this page if they are short; if too long indicate which page of the work the answer is on and mark it clearly. Use exact values unless specifically asked to round.

1. Numerically estimate the limits.

a.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x-2}{x^2-4}$   $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{1}{x+2} = \frac{1}{4}$

c.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -5} \frac{\sqrt{4-x}-3}{x+5} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{4-x}+3}{\sqrt{4-x}+3} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -5} \frac{4-x-9}{(x+5)(\sqrt{4-x}+3)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -5} \frac{-1}{\sqrt{4-x}+3} = -\frac{1}{6}$

b.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = 1$

d.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^4-1}{x^6-1} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{(x^2-1)(x^2+1)}{(x^2-1)(x^4+x^2+1)} = \frac{2}{3}$

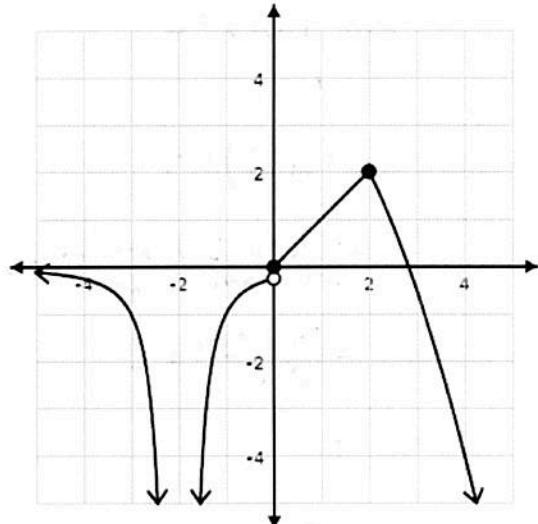
2. Use a graph to determine the value of the limit, if it exists.

a.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{|x-2|}{x-2}$  DNE

e.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \sqrt[3]{x} \ln |x-2| = 0$

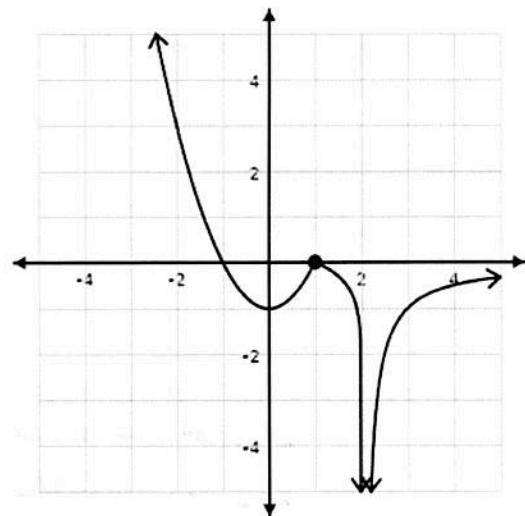
b.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \cos\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$  DNE

c.  $f(x) = \begin{cases} -\frac{1}{(x+2)^2}, & x < 0 \\ x, & 0 \leq x \leq 2 \\ -\frac{1}{2}x^2 + 4, & x > 2 \end{cases}$



- i.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = -\infty$   
 ii.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = 0$   
 iii.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$  DNE  
 iv.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x) = 2$   
 v.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x) = 2$   
 vi.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = 2$   
 vii.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} f(x) = -\infty$

d.  $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 - 1, & x < 1 \\ \ln(2-x), & 1 \leq x < 2 \\ -\frac{1}{x-2}, & x > 2 \end{cases}$



- i.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x) = 0$   
 ii.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x) = 0$   
 iii.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x) = 0$   
 iv.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x) = -\infty$   
 v.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x) = -\infty$   
 vi.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = -\infty$

3. Consider  $f(x) = \begin{cases} \sin(x), & x < 0 \\ 1 - \cos(x), & 0 \leq x \leq \pi \\ \cos(x), & x > \pi \end{cases}$ . Are there any values for  $c$  for which  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)$  does not exist?

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi^-} f(x) = 2 \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow \pi^+} f(x) = -1$$

4. Find the limit  $L$ :  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} (4 - \frac{x}{2})$ . Then find  $\delta > 0$  such that  $|f(x) - L| < 0.01$  whenever  $0 < |x - 4| < \delta$ .

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5. Find the limit  $L$ . Then use the  $\varepsilon - \delta$  definition of the limit to prove it.

a.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (2x + 5)$

c.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (\frac{2}{3}x + 9)$

b.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (x^2 + 1)$

d.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} |x - 3|$

6. Find the limit algebraically using properties of limits.

a.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (3x^3 - 4x^2 + 3)$

$$3(1) - 4(1) + 3 = 2$$

h.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{2x-3}{x+5} = \frac{-1}{6}$

b.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \sec 2x$

i.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} e^{-x} \sin \pi x = 0$

c.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \ln(\frac{x}{e^x}) = \ln(\frac{1}{e}) = -1$

j.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-x^2+3x}{x} = \frac{x(3-x)}{x} = 3$

d.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^3-x}{x-1} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{(x^2-1)x}{x-1} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x(x-1)(x+1)}{x-1} = 2$

k.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^3-8}{x-2} = \frac{(x-2)(x^2+2x+4)}{x-2} = 12$

e.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{2x}-1}{e^x-1} = \frac{\cancel{e^x}(e^x-1)}{\cancel{e^x-1}} = 2$

l.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{3+x}-\sqrt{3}}{x} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3+x}+\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3+x}+\sqrt{3}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{3+x}-\sqrt{3}}{x(\sqrt{3+x}+\sqrt{3})} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}}$

f.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin^2 x}{x} = 0$

m.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1-e^{-x}}{e^x-1} \cdot \frac{e^x}{e^x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x-1}{e^x(e^x-1)} = 1$

g.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 2x}{\sin 3x} = \frac{2}{3}$

n.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 3x}{x} = 3$

7. Use the squeeze theorem to find the limits.

a.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \cos x$

b.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \cos \frac{1}{x}$

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8. Find the limit if it exists.

a.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x), f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 - 4x + 6, & x < 2 \\ -x^2 + 4x - 2, & x \geq 2 \end{cases}$

c.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x), f(x) = \begin{cases} x, & x < 1 \\ 1-x, & x \geq 1 \end{cases}$

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b.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 6^-} \ln(6-x)$

9. Find any points of discontinuity. Is the discontinuity removable or not?

a.  $f(x) = \frac{3}{x-2}$   $x=2$ , not removable

c.  $f(x) = \frac{x}{x^2+1}$  no discontinuity

b.  $f(x) = \frac{|x-3|}{x-3}$   $x=3$  not removable

d.  $f(x) = \begin{cases} -2x, & x \leq 2 \\ x^2 - 4x + 1, & x > 2 \end{cases}$

-4

-3

$x=2$

not removable

10. Find the value of  $a$  that makes the function continuous.  $g(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{4 \sin x}{x}, & x < 0 \\ a - 2x, & x \geq 0 \end{cases}$

$$a - 2x \stackrel{x=0}{=} 4$$

11. Find the vertical asymptotes, if they exist.

a.  $f(x) = \frac{4}{(x-2)^3} \quad x=2$

b.  $f(x) = \frac{-3x^3 + 12x + 9}{x^4 - 3x^3 - x + 3}$   
 $x^3(x-3) - (x-3) = (x^3-1)(x-3)$   
 $(x-1)(x^2+x+1)(x-3)$

12. Find the limit.

a.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2-x}} = 1$

c.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2+3}{2x^2-1} = \frac{1}{2}$

b.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{8}{4-10^{-x}} \approx 2$

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4.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} (4 - \frac{x}{2}) = 4 - \frac{4}{2} = 4 - 2 = 2$

$$|4 - \frac{x}{2} - 2| < 0.01 \rightarrow |2 - \frac{x}{2}| = |\frac{x}{2} - 2| = \frac{1}{2}|x-4| < 0.01 \rightarrow |x-4| < 0.02$$

$$\delta = 0.02$$

5a.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3} 2x+5 = -6+5 = -1$

$$|2x+5+1| < \varepsilon \rightarrow |2x+6| < \varepsilon \rightarrow 2|x+3| < \varepsilon \rightarrow |x+3| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \quad \delta = \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

Proof: if  $|x+3| < \delta$  and if  $\delta = \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$  then  $|x+3| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \rightarrow 2|x+3| < \varepsilon \rightarrow |2x+6| < \varepsilon \rightarrow |2x+5+(-1)| < \varepsilon \therefore \text{the } \lim_{x \rightarrow -3} 2x+5 = -1$

b.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (x^2+1) = 2$

$$|x^2+1-2| < \varepsilon \rightarrow |x^2-1| < \varepsilon \rightarrow |(x-1)(x+1)| < \varepsilon \rightarrow |x-1| \cdot |x+1| < \varepsilon$$

on an interval around  $x=1$  such as  $[0, 2]$   $x+1 < 3 \rightarrow |x-1| \cdot 3 < \varepsilon$  near  $x=1$

$$|x-1| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3} = \delta$$

Proof.

if  $|x-1| < \delta$  and suppose  $\delta = \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$  then  $|x-1| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3} \rightarrow 3|x-1| < \varepsilon$  since  $x+1 < 3$

for all values of  $x$  on  $[0, 2]$  around  $x=1$ , this implies  $|x+1| \cdot |x-1| < \varepsilon \rightarrow |x^2-1| < \varepsilon$

$$\rightarrow |x^2+1-2| < \varepsilon. \text{ Therefore, } \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (x^2+1) = 2$$

c.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (\frac{2}{3}x+9) = \frac{2}{3}+9 = \frac{29}{3}$

$$|\frac{2}{3}x+9 - \frac{29}{3}| < \varepsilon \rightarrow |\frac{2}{3}x - \frac{2}{3}| < \varepsilon \rightarrow \frac{2}{3}|x-1| < \varepsilon \rightarrow |x-1| < \frac{3}{2}\varepsilon = \delta$$

Proof: if  $|x-1| < \delta$  and if we let  $\delta = \frac{3}{2}\varepsilon$  then  $|x-1| < \frac{3}{2}\varepsilon \rightarrow \frac{2}{3}|x-1| < \varepsilon \rightarrow |\frac{2}{3}x - \frac{2}{3}| < \varepsilon$

$$\rightarrow |\frac{2}{3}x+9 - \frac{29}{3}| < \varepsilon \therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{2}{3}x+9 = \frac{29}{3}$$

d.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} |x-3| = 0 \quad |x-3| < \varepsilon \rightarrow \varepsilon = \delta$

Proof: if  $|x-3| < \delta$  and suppose  $\delta = \varepsilon$ , then  $|x-3-0| < \varepsilon \therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} |x-3| = 0$ .

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7.a.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \cos x = 0$

$$-1 < \cos x < 1$$

$$-x < x \cos x < x$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} -x < \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \cos x < \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x$$

$$0 < \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \cos x < 0$$

b.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \cos \frac{1}{x} = 0$

$$-1 < \cos \left(\frac{1}{x}\right) < 1$$

$$-x < x \cos \left(\frac{1}{x}\right) < x$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} -x < \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \cos \left(\frac{1}{x}\right) < \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x$$

$$0 < \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \cos \left(\frac{1}{x}\right) < 0$$

8a.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} x^2 - 4x + 6 = 4 - 8 + 6 = 10 - 8 = 2$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = 2$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} -x^2 + 4x - 2 = -4 + 8 - 2 = 2$$

b.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow b^-} \ln(b-x) = -\infty$

c.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} 1-x = 0$