

Limits

In Math terms: _____

In other words: _____

Notation	Read as	Meaning
$\lim_{x \rightarrow k^-} f(x)$		
$\lim_{x \rightarrow k^+} f(x)$		
$\lim_{x \rightarrow k} f(x)$		

Important Note: _____

Use the calculator table displayed to evaluate each limit or function value.

a. $f(1)$

b. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x)$

c. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x)$

d. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x)$

1.

x	0.8	0.9	0.99	0.999	1	1.001	1.01	1.1	1.5
f(x)	3.7	3.88	3.92	3.957	4	4.03	4.1	4.54	5

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

d. _____

2.

x	0.8	0.9	0.99	0.999	1	1.001	1.01	1.1	1.5
f(x)	10.3	78.54	212.9	782	0	-0.03	-0.4	-1.7	-2

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

d. _____

3.

x	0.8	0.9	0.99	0.999	1	1.001	1.01	1.1	1.5
f(x)	4.835	4.91	4.952	4.993	error	4.993	4.969	4.94	4.72

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

d. _____

4.

x	0.8	0.9	0.99	0.999	1	1.001	1.01	1.1	1.5
f(x)	-1.71	-0.54	-0.12	-0.041	error	-2.999	-2.991	-2.95	-2.9

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

d. _____

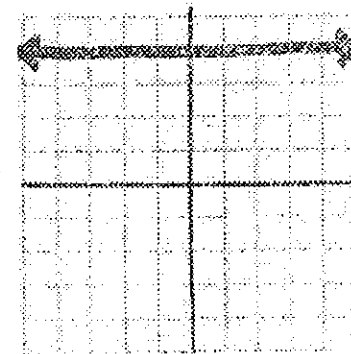
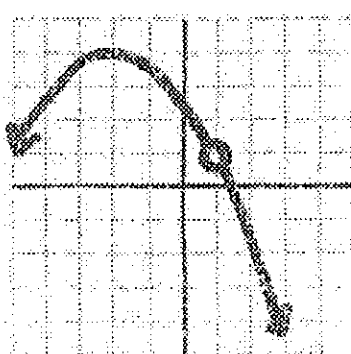
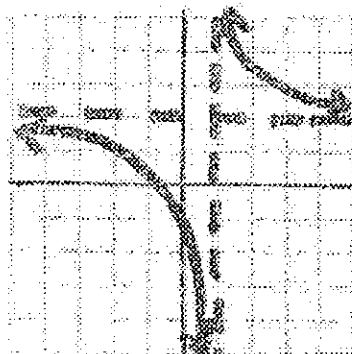
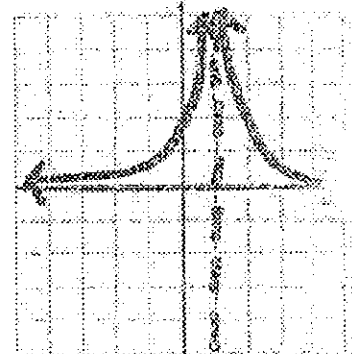
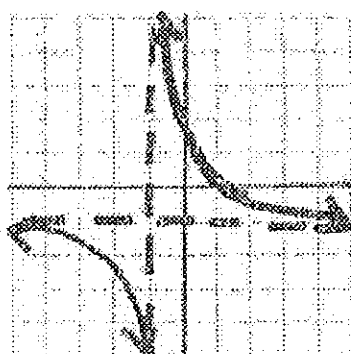
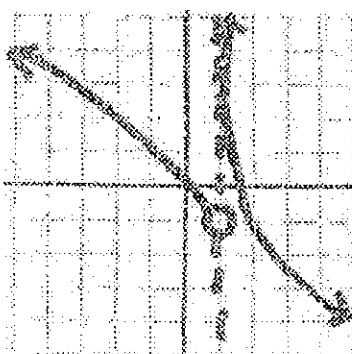
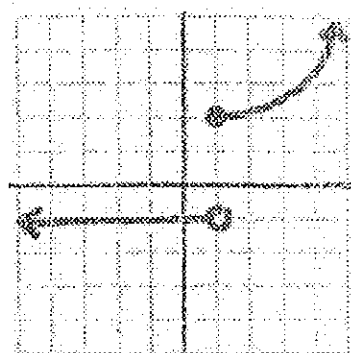
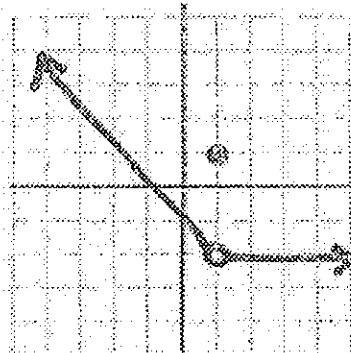
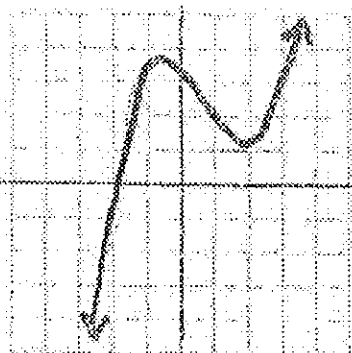
For each graph shown, determine:

a. $f(1)$

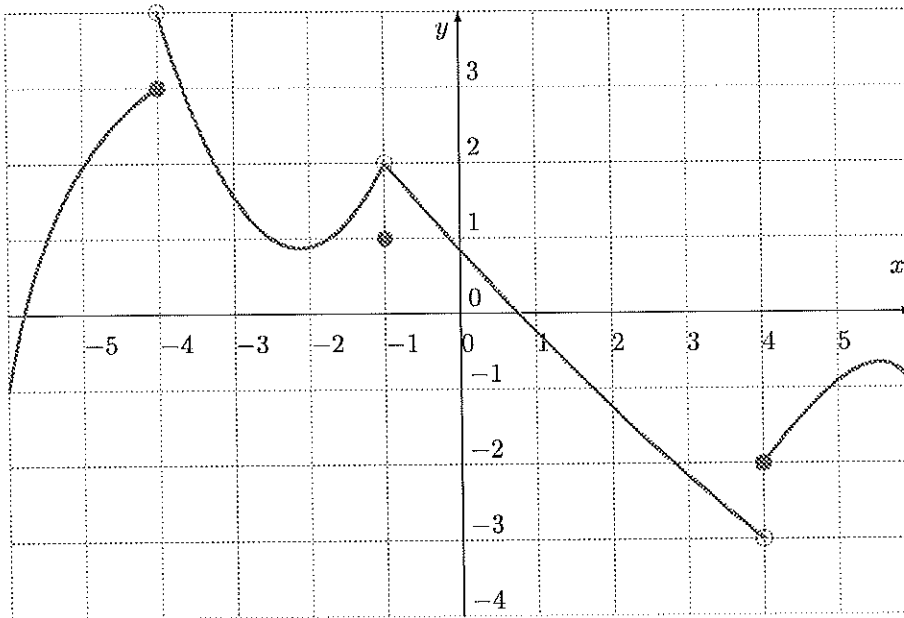
b. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x)$

c. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x)$

d. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x)$



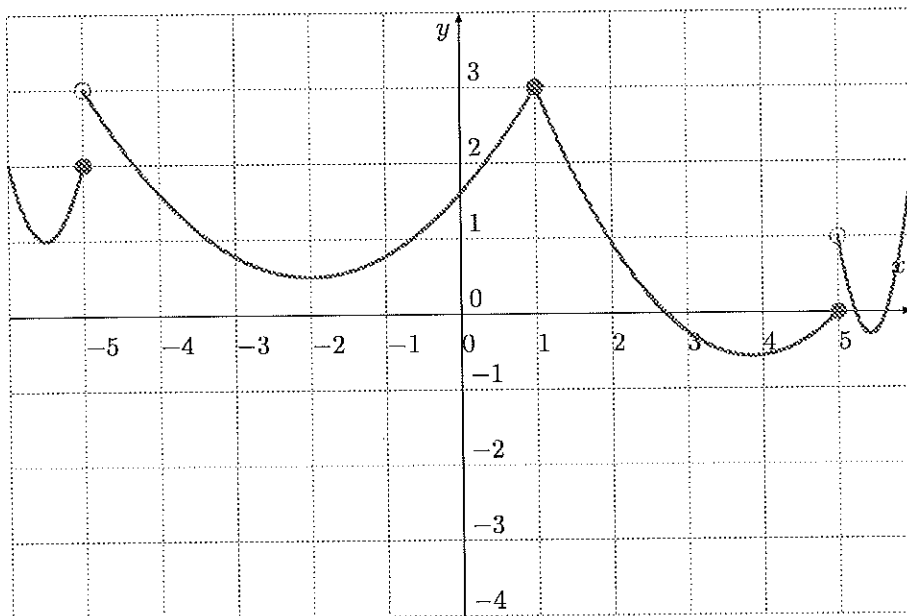
1. Consider the following function defined by its graph:



Find the following limits:

a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1^-} f(x)$ b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1^+} f(x)$ c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} f(x)$ d) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -4} f(x)$ e) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} f(x)$

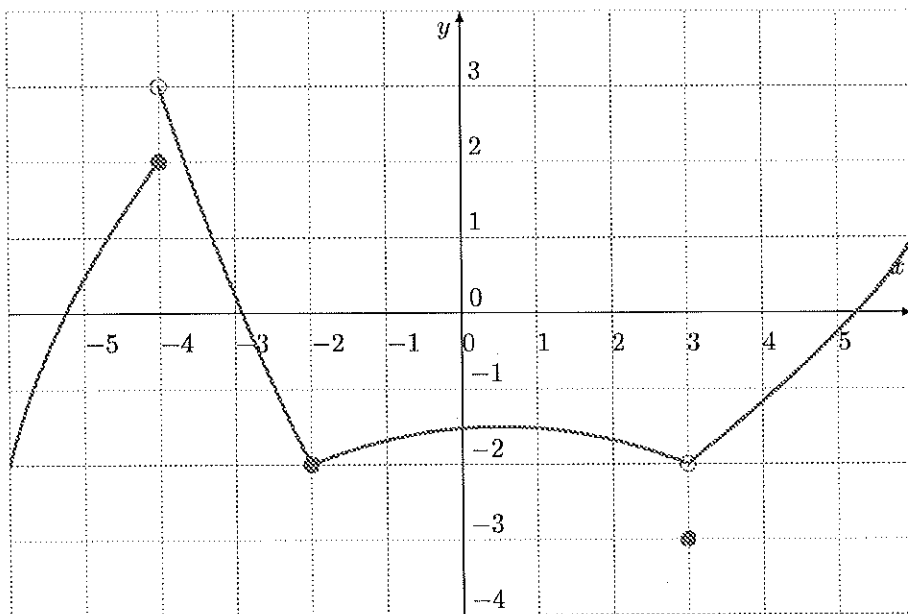
2. Consider the following function defined by its graph:



Find the following limits:

a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x)$ b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x)$ c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x)$ d) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -5} f(x)$ e) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} f(x)$

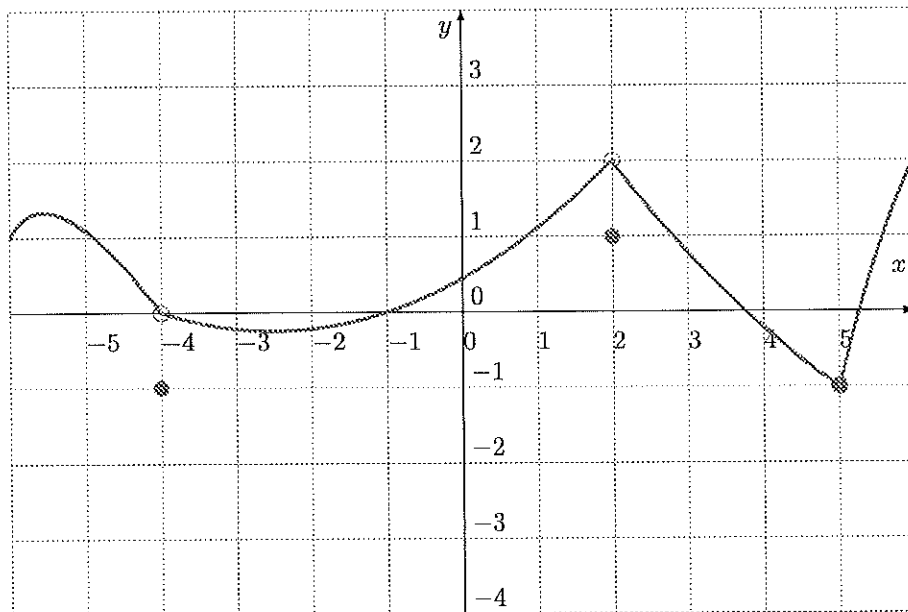
3. Consider the following function defined by its graph:



Find the following limits:

a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^-} f(x)$ b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} f(x)$ c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} f(x)$ d) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -4} f(x)$ e) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x)$

4. Consider the following function defined by its graph:



Find the following limits:

a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x)$ b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x)$ c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x)$ d) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -4} f(x)$ e) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} f(x)$

A

Calculus

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Mr. Stadler

Refer to the graph below in order to answer the following questions. If a limit doesn't exist explain why.

1. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} g(x) =$

2. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} g(x) =$

3. $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} g(x) =$

4. $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} g(x) =$

5. $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) =$

6. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} g(x) =$

7. $\lim_{x \rightarrow b^+} g(x) =$

8. $\lim_{x \rightarrow b^-} g(x) =$

9. $\lim_{x \rightarrow b} g(x) =$

10. $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x) =$

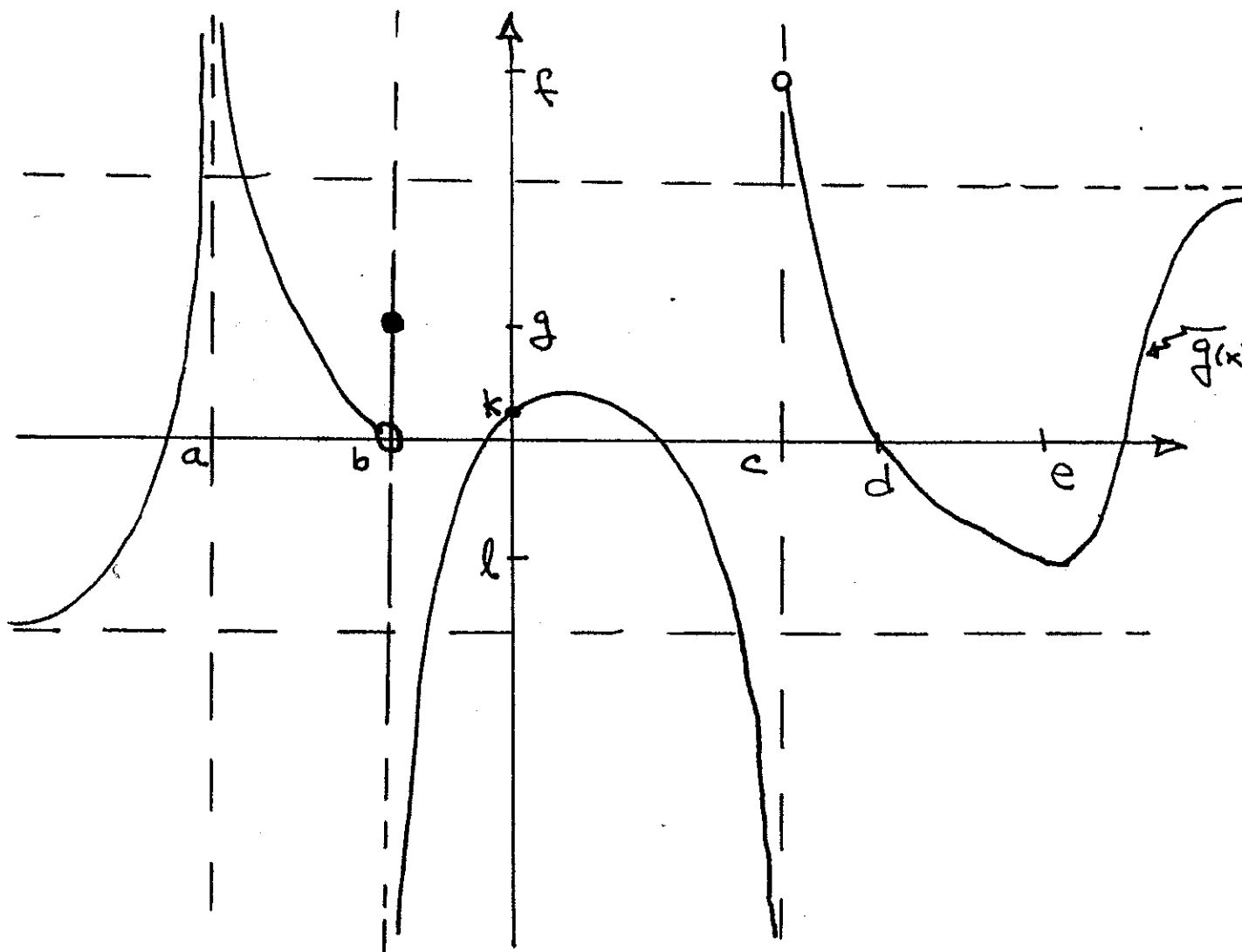
11. $\lim_{x \rightarrow d} g(x) =$

12. $\lim_{x \rightarrow e} g(x) =$

13. $g(e) =$

14. $g(0) =$

14. $g(b) =$



B

Calculus

Term I

1998

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Refer to the graph below in order to answer the following questions. If a limit doesn't exist explain why.

1. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} g(x) =$

2. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} g(x) =$

3. $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} g(x) =$

4. $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} g(x) =$

5. $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) =$

6. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} g(x) =$

7. $\lim_{x \rightarrow b^+} g(x) =$

8. $\lim_{x \rightarrow b^-} g(x) =$

9. $\lim_{x \rightarrow b} g(x) =$

10. $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x) =$

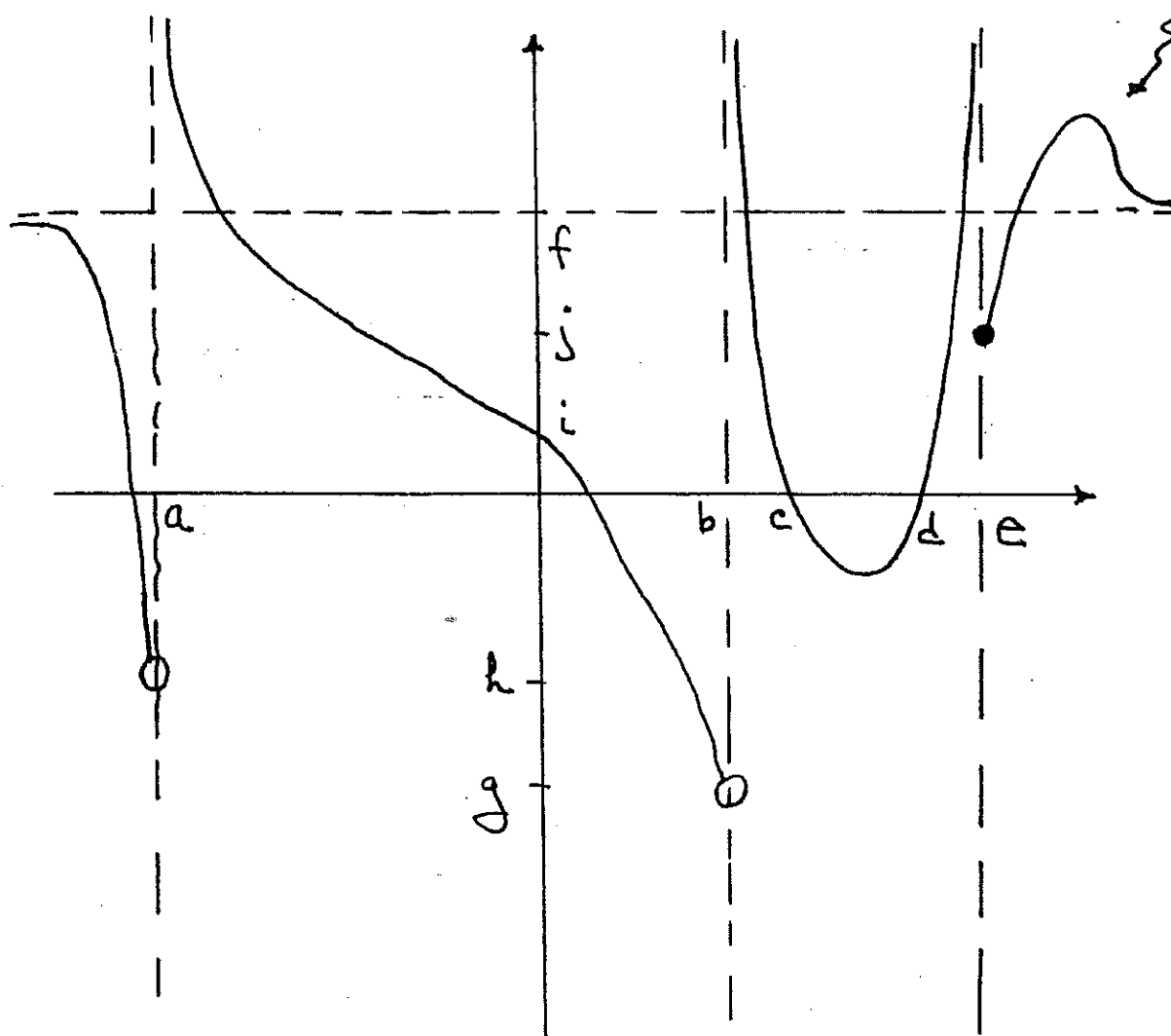
11. $\lim_{x \rightarrow d} g(x) =$

12. $\lim_{x \rightarrow e} g(x) =$

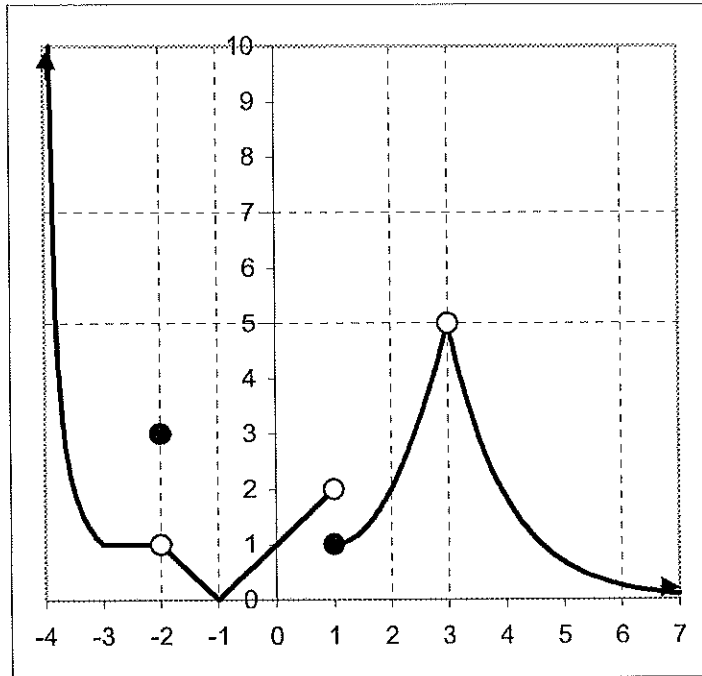
13. $g(e) =$

14. $g(0) =$

14. $g(b) =$



MATH 1205: Limits In-Class Worksheet



Using the above graph, find each of the following (You should assume that $y=0$ is a horizontal asymptote and $x = -4$ is a vertical asymptote):

- 1) $f(-2) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$
- 2) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} f(x) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$
- 3) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} f(x) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$
- 4) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1^+} f(x) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$
- 5) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1^-} f(x) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$
- 6) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} f(x) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$
- 7) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$
- 8) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$
- 9) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$
- 10) $f(3) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$
- 11) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} f(x) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$
- 12) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} f(x) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$
- 13) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$
- 14) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -4^+} f(x) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$
- 15) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$
- 16) $f(1) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$
- 17) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3} f(x) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$
- 18) $f(-4) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

WARM-UP

Given $f(x) = 2x^2 + 3x - 5$, find each of the following.

1. $f(0)$ 2. $f(1)$ 3. $f(-4)$ 4. $f(x + \Delta x)$

Use your graphing calculator to graph $f(x) = 2x^2 + 3x - 5$. Based on the graph, answer the following questions.

5. $f(0)$ 6. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$ 7. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x)$ 8. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -4} f(x)$

When does a limit not exist?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Evaluating Limits

Strategy 1: _____

Ex. 1 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} (4x^2 - 3x - 7)$

Ex. 2 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{x^2 - 1}{x^2 - 3x + 2}$

Some Properties of Limits

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

Ex. 3 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} 3$

Ex. 4 $\lim_{x \rightarrow -4} x$

Ex. 5 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} x^2$

Strategy 2: _____

Ex. 6 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^2 - 1}{x^2 - 3x + 2}$

Ex. 7 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{2+x} - \sqrt{2}}{x}$

Ex. 8 $\lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2(x + \Delta x) - 2x}{\Delta x}$

Ex. 9 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{2+x} - \frac{1}{2}}{x}$

More Properties of Limits

Let $\lim_{x \rightarrow k} f(x) = L$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow k} g(x) = K$

1. Scalar Multiple: _____

2. Sum or Difference: _____

3. Product: _____

4. Quotient: _____

5. Power: _____

Ex. 10 Given that $\lim_{x \rightarrow k} f(x) = 9$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow k} g(x) = -4$, evaluate each of the following limits.

a. $\lim_{x \rightarrow k} [3f(x) - g(x)]$

b. $\lim_{x \rightarrow k} \sqrt{f(x)}$

c. $\lim_{x \rightarrow k} \frac{g^2(x)}{f(x)}$

ONE FOR THE ROAD:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \begin{cases} 3x - 7, & x < 2 \\ x^2 - 5, & x \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

Evaluating Limits

Evaluate each limit.

1) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} 5$

2) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\frac{5}{2}} (-x + 2)$

3) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} (x^3 - x^2 - 4)$

4) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \left(-\frac{x^2}{2} + 2x + 4 \right)$

5) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} -\sqrt{x+3}$

6) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{3}{2}} -\sqrt{2x+4}$

7) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} -\frac{x-4}{x^2-6x+8}$

8) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{3}{2}} \frac{-x-3}{x^2+x+1}$

9) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} \sin(x)$

10) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{3\pi}{4}} 2\cos(x)$

Critical thinking questions:

11) Give an example of a limit that evaluates to 4.

12) Give an example of a limit of a quadratic function where the limit evaluates to 9.

For each of the following problems, find the requested limit.

1) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} 7 =$

2) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \sqrt{x-2} =$

3) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -5} \frac{x^2 - 25}{x + 5} =$

4) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3} \frac{x}{x + 3} =$

5) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3x^4 - x^3 + 5}{10 - 2x^4} =$

6) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3x^3 - x + 1}{5x^3 - 7x^4} =$

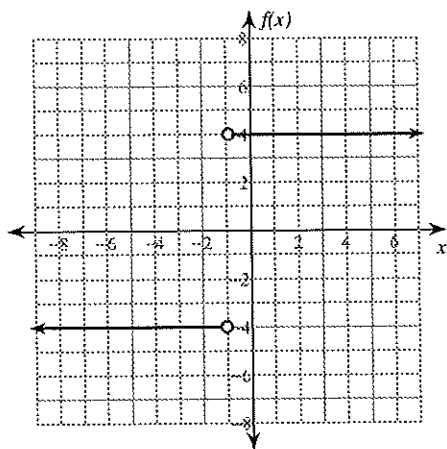
7) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^2 - x - 6}{x + 2} =$

8) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2 - x - 6}{x + 2} =$

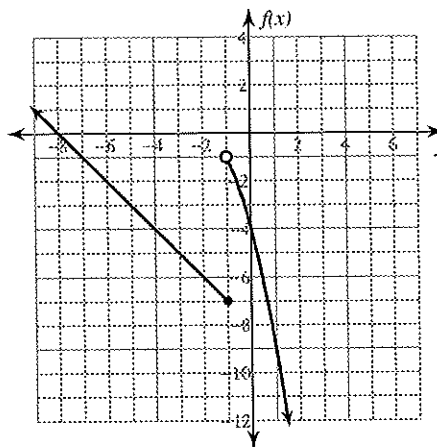
Evaluating Limits

Evaluate each limit.

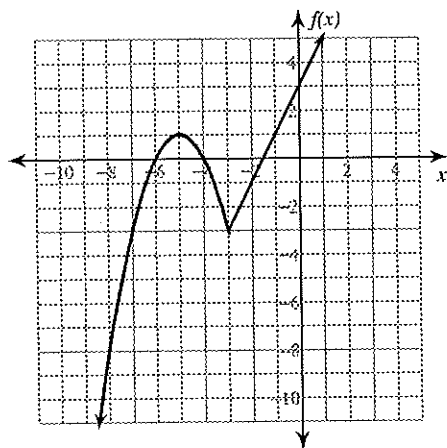
1) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1^+} \frac{4x + 4}{|x + 1|}$



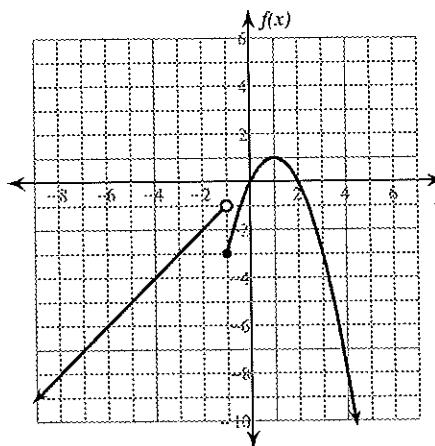
2) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1^-} f(x), f(x) = \begin{cases} -x - 8, & x \leq -1 \\ -x^2 - 4x - 4, & x > -1 \end{cases}$



3) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3} f(x), f(x) = \begin{cases} -x^2 - 10x - 24, & x \leq -3 \\ 2x + 3, & x > -3 \end{cases}$

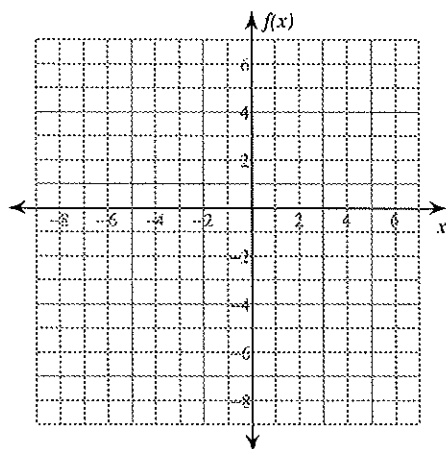


4) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} f(x), f(x) = \begin{cases} x, & x < -1 \\ -x^2 + 2x, & x \geq -1 \end{cases}$

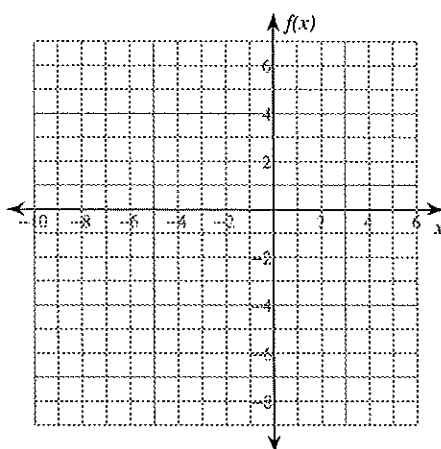


Evaluate each limit. You may use the provided graph to sketch the function.

$$5) \lim_{x \rightarrow -1^-} f(x), f(x) = \begin{cases} -x - 3, & x \leq -1 \\ x + 1, & x > -1 \end{cases}$$



$$6) \lim_{x \rightarrow -2} f(x), f(x) = \begin{cases} -x^2 - 4x - 5, & x \leq -2 \\ -1, & x > -2 \end{cases}$$



Evaluate each limit.

$$7) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x), f(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & x \leq 0 \\ -x^2 + 4x - 3, & x > 0 \end{cases}$$

$$8) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{|x|}{x}$$

$$9) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \lfloor -2x + 1 \rfloor$$

$$10) \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x), f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x}{2} + \frac{9}{2}, & x < 1 \\ x^2 - 6x + 10, & x \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

$$11) \lim_{x \rightarrow -1} \frac{3|x+1|}{x+1}$$

$$12) \lim_{x \rightarrow -2} f(x), f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2, & x \leq -2 \\ -\frac{x}{2} + 3, & x > -2 \end{cases}$$

Critical thinking questions:

13) Give an example of a two-sided limit of a piecewise function where the limit does not exist.

14) Given an example of a two-sided limit of a function with an absolute value where the limit does not exist.

Limits Practice

Date _____ Period _____

Evaluate each limit.

1) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} -\frac{x^2 - 4x + 3}{x - 1}$

2) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} -\frac{x^2 - 1}{x + 1}$

3) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x - 3}{x^2 - 4x + 3}$

4) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} -\frac{x^2 + x - 2}{x - 1}$

5) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x), f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 - 6x + 8, & x \neq 3 \\ -4, & x = 3 \end{cases}$

6) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} f(x), f(x) = \begin{cases} x - 2, & x \neq -2 \\ 1, & x = -2 \end{cases}$

7) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x), f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 - 6x + 7, & x \neq 2 \\ -4, & x = 2 \end{cases}$

8) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} f(x), f(x) = \begin{cases} x + 2, & x \neq -2 \\ -2, & x = -2 \end{cases}$

9) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \frac{x}{\frac{1}{2+x} - \frac{1}{2}}$

10) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{3+x} - \frac{1}{3}}{x}$

$$11) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin^2(x)}{4x^2}$$

$$12) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(3x)}{\sin(x)}$$

$$13) \lim_{x \rightarrow -2^-} f(x), f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 + 4x + 5, & x < -2 \\ -\frac{x}{2}, & x \geq -2 \end{cases}$$

$$14) \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x), f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x}{2}, & x \leq 2 \\ x - 1, & x > 2 \end{cases}$$

$$15) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x), f(x) = \begin{cases} -2x - 1, & x < 0 \\ \frac{x}{2} - 1, & x \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

$$16) \lim_{x \rightarrow -2^-} f(x), f(x) = \begin{cases} -\frac{x}{2} - \frac{5}{2}, & x < -2 \\ 2x, & x \geq -2 \end{cases}$$

$$17) \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} \frac{2x}{x - 1}$$

$$18) \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} -\frac{3}{x^2 - 9}$$

$$19) \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} \frac{x - 3}{x^2 - 2x - 3}$$

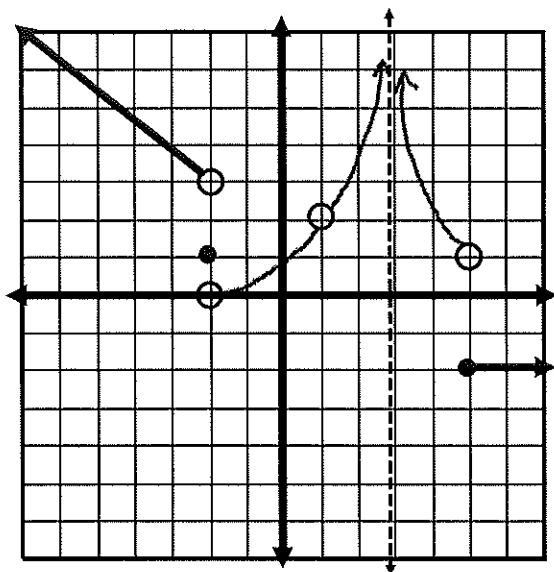
$$20) \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} -\frac{x - 2}{x^2 - 5x + 6}$$

AP Calculus
Limits Quiz

Name: _____

Date: _____ Period: _____

Find the limit given the graph below.



1.) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x)$ 1. _____

2.) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} f(x)$ 2. _____

3.) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x)$ 3. _____

4.) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^-} f(x)$ 4. _____

5.) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5^+} f(x)$ 5. _____

6.) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)$ 6. _____

Find the limit analytically.

7.) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} x^2 + 4x - 3$

8.) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^2 - 1}{x + 1}$

7. _____

8. _____

9.) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} \tan x$

10.) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -5} \sqrt[3]{x + 4}$

9. _____

10. _____

11.) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \frac{x}{5}}{x}$

12.) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{x+2} - \frac{1}{2}}{x}$

11. _____

12. _____

$$13.) \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{\sqrt{x+1} - 2}{x-3}$$

$$14.) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2 - 2 \cos x}{x}$$

13. _____

14. _____

$$15.) \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{10x^3 - 7x + 3}{5x^3 + 4x^2}$$

$$16.) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan 7x}{\sin 3x}$$

15. _____

16. _____

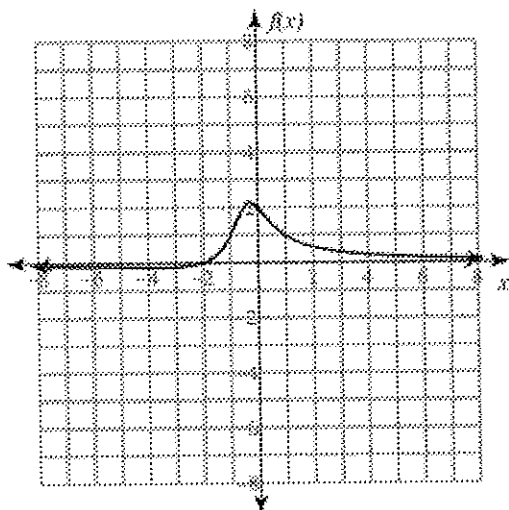
17. Determine whether the limit exists. If so, state the limit. If not, tell why not. Show all work leading to your answer.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \begin{cases} 4x^2 - 3x + 1, & x \leq 2 \\ 9 - 3x, & x > 2 \end{cases}$$

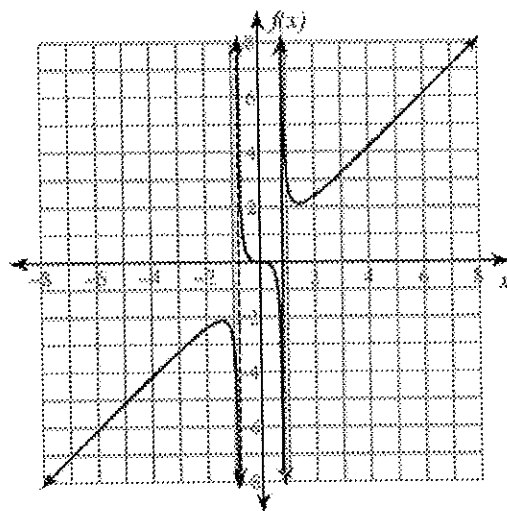
BONUS: $\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sin x - \cos x}{\tan x - 1}$

Part 1: Evaluate each limit. The graph is provided on the first two to help you.

1) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{x+2}{x^2+x+1}$



2) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{3x^3}{3x^2-2}$



3. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x}{x-4}$

4. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{2x}{x-4}$

5. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x}{x^2-4}$

6. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{2x}{x^2-4}$

7. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x^2}{x-4}$

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

9. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3x-5-4x^3}{3x^3-4}$

10. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{2x^4-3x^2-1}{5-x}$

11. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x^4-3x^2-1}{5-x}$

12. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x^4-3x^2-1}{5-x^2}$

13. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{2x^2-7x}{x^3-4x}$

14. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{2x^4-3x^2-1}{5-7x^4}$

15. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} -\frac{3x^2}{4x+4}$

16. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} (x^3 - 4x^2 + 5)$

17. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} (x^2 - 4x + 5)$

18. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{2x^4-3x^2-1}}{5+x^2}$

19. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{2x^5-3x^2-1}}{5+x^3}$

20. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{\sqrt{2x^5-3x^2-1}}{5+x^3}$

Part 2: Sketch a possible graph of a function that meets all the given criteria.

1. a. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x) = 2$ b. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x) = 2$ c. $f(2) = -3$

2. a. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x) = 2$ b. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x) = -5$ c. $f(2)$ is undefined

3. a. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = 2$ b. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = 4$ c. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = -5$

4. a. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = 4$ b. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = -2$ c. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} f(x) = \infty$
d. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} f(x) = -\infty$ e. $f(5) = 0$ f. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3} f(x) = 0$

1. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 8} (x^2 - 5x - 11) =$

2. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \left(\frac{x+3}{x^2-15} \right) =$

3. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \pi^2 =$

4. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \left(\frac{x^2 - 2x - 3}{x - 3} \right) =$

5. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{10x^2 + 25x + 1}{x^4 - 8} \right) =$

6. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{x^4 - 8}{10x^2 + 25x + 1} \right) =$

7. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{x^4 - 8}{10x^4 + 25x + 1} \right) =$

8. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{\sqrt{5x^4 + 2x}}{x^2} \right) =$

9. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 6^+} \left(\frac{x+2}{x^2 - 4x - 12} \right) =$

10. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 6^-} \left(\frac{x+2}{x^2 - 4x - 12} \right) =$

11. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 6} \left(\frac{x+2}{x^2 - 4x - 12} \right) =$

12. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \left(\frac{x}{|x|} \right) =$

13. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \left(\frac{x}{|x|} \right) =$

14. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 7^+} \left(\frac{x}{x^2 - 49} \right) =$

15. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 7^-} \left(\frac{x}{x^2 - 49} \right) =$

16. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 7} \frac{x}{(x-7)^2} =$

17. Let $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 - 5, & x \leq 3 \\ x + 2, & x > 3 \end{cases}$

Find: (a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} f(x)$; (b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} f(x)$; and (c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x)$

18. Let $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 - 5, & x \leq 3 \\ x + 1, & x > 3 \end{cases}$

Find: (a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} f(x)$; (b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} f(x)$; and (c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x)$

19. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4}} 3 \cos x$.

20. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} 3 \frac{x}{\cos x}$.

21. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} 3 \frac{x}{\sin x}$.

22. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 3x}{\sin 8x}$.

23. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan 7x}{\sin 5x}$.

24. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \sin x$.

25. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \sin \frac{1}{x}$.

26. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 \sin x}{1 - \cos^2 x}$.

27. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin^2 7x}{\sin^2 11x}$.

28. Find $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(3+h)^2 - 9}{h}$.

29. Find $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(x+h) - \sin x}{h}$.

30. Find $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{x+h} - \frac{1}{x}}{h}$.

AP Calculus
Guided Notes- Continuity

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Warm-up: Sketch a possible graph of the function that meets all the given conditions.

1. $f(2) = 3$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = -1$
2. $f(1) = 5$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x) = 0$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x) = 5$
3. $f(-3)$ is undefined, $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3} f(x)$ exists

Continuity at a Point (By Calculus)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Continuity on an Interval

A function is continuous on an interval if it is continuous at every point in that interval. A function can be:

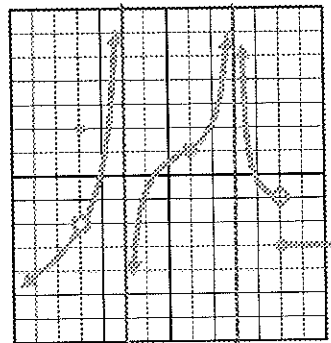
1. Continuous on _____.
2. Continuous on _____.
3. Continuous _____.

Types of Discontinuities

1. _____
2. _____

Use the graph to answer each question below.

- a. Find all values at which x is not continuous.
- b. Classify each discontinuity by type.
- c. Find the intervals for which the function is continuous.



Determine the x-values at which f is not continuous, and classify each by type.

Ex. 1 $f(x) = 4x^2 + 2x - 3$

Ex. 2 $f(x) = \frac{x}{x+5}$

Ex. 3 $f(x) = \frac{x}{x^2 + 5x}$

Ex. 4 $f(x) = \tan x$

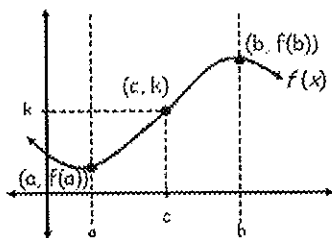
Find the constant q such that the function is continuous on the entire real number line.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^3, & x \leq 2 \\ qx^2, & x > 2 \end{cases}$$

Continuity of Compound Functions: _____

Intermediate Value Theorem

If f is continuous $[a, b]$, and k is any number between $f(a)$ and $f(b)$, then there is at least one number c in $[a, b]$ such that $f(c) = k$.



Application: Use the IVT to show that the polynomial function $f(x) = x^2 + 2x - 1$ has a zero on $[0, 1]$.

Does the IVT guarantee that the following functions have a zero on $[-1, 1]$? Explain your answer.

Ex. 1 $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 1}{x + 1}$

Ex. 2 $f(x) = \sin x$

PRACTICE PROBLEM SET 2

Now try these problems. The answers are in Chapter 21.

1. Is the function $f(x) = \begin{cases} x+7, & x < 2 \\ 9, & x = 2 \\ 3x+3, & x > 2 \end{cases}$ continuous at $x = 2$?

2. Is the function $f(x) = \begin{cases} 4x^2 - 2x, & x < 3 \\ 10x - 1, & x = 3 \\ 30, & x > 3 \end{cases}$ continuous at $x = 3$?

3. Is the function $f(x) = \begin{cases} 5x+7, & x < 3 \\ 7x+1, & x > 3 \end{cases}$ continuous at $x = 3$?

4. Is the function $f(x) = \sec x$ continuous everywhere?

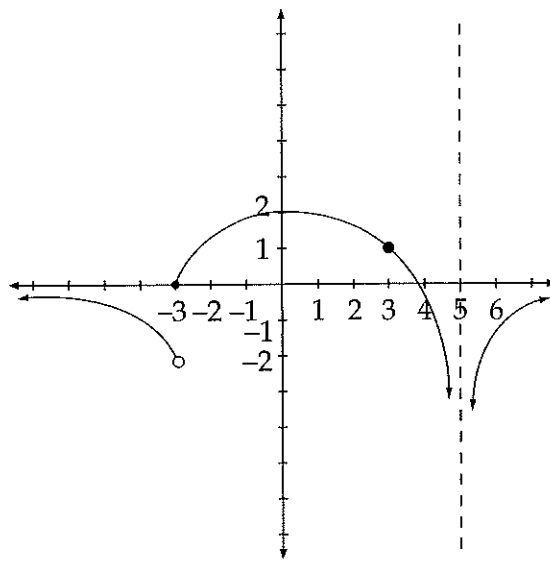
5. Is the function $f(x) = \sec x$ continuous on the interval $\left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$?

6. Is the function $f(x) = \sec x$ continuous on the interval $\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$?

7. For what value(s) of k is the function $f(x) = \begin{cases} 3x^2 - 11x - 4, & x \leq 4 \\ kx^2 - 2x - 1, & x > 4 \end{cases}$ continuous at $x = 4$?

8. For what value(s) of k is the function $f(x) = \begin{cases} -6x - 12, & x < -3 \\ k^2 - 5k, & x = -3 \\ 6, & x > -3 \end{cases}$ continuous at $x = -3$?

9. At what point is the removable discontinuity for the function $f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 5x - 24}{x^2 - x - 6}$?



10. Given the graph of $f(x)$ above, find:

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

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)$

(c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} f(x)$

(d) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} f(x)$

(e) $f(3)$

(f) Any other discontinuities.

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Review of Limits and Continuity

		MATCHING	
1.	$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 2x}{3x} =$	A.	2
2.	Test for Continuity at $x=1$: $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^3-1}{x-1}, & x \neq 1 \\ 3, & x = 1 \end{cases}$	C.	-2.5
3.	$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{11}{x^2} =$	D.	0
4.	$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} 11 =$	E.	4
5.	$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{3}{x} =$	F.	$\frac{4}{5}$
6.	$\lim_{x \rightarrow 7} \frac{x^2 - 49}{x - 7} =$	H.	36
7.	Test for continuity at $x=2$: $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2-4}{x-2}, & x \neq 2 \\ 4, & x = 2 \end{cases}$	I.	$\frac{1}{2}$
8.	$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 - 5x}{x^2 + 2x} =$	J.	Continuous @ $x=1$
9.	$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (x+1) =$	K.	Not Continuous @ $x=1$
10.	$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{5x - 8x^2}{3 + x^2} =$	L.	DNE
11.	$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{12x^3 - 7}{15x^3 - 2x} =$	M.	-8
12.	$\lim_{x \rightarrow -3} \frac{x^2 + 2x - 3}{x^2 - 2x - 15} =$	N.	Continuous @ $x=5$
13.	$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{\sqrt{x+1} - 2}{x-3} =$	O.	Continuous @ $x=2$
14.	$\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{x^2 - 4x}{x-4} =$	P.	Not Continuous @ $x=5$
15.	Test for continuity at $x=2$: $f(x) = \frac{x^2}{x-2}$	R.	Not Continuous @ $x=2$
16.	Test for continuity at $x=5$:	S.	14

	$f(x) = \frac{3}{x-1}$		
17.	$\lim_{x \rightarrow 6} x^2 =$	T.	$\frac{-12}{145}$
18.	$\lim_{x \rightarrow -12} \frac{x}{x^2 + 1} =$	U.	11
		V.	$\frac{1}{4}$
		W.	3
		Y.	$\frac{2}{3}$
		Z.	NONE OF THE ABOVE

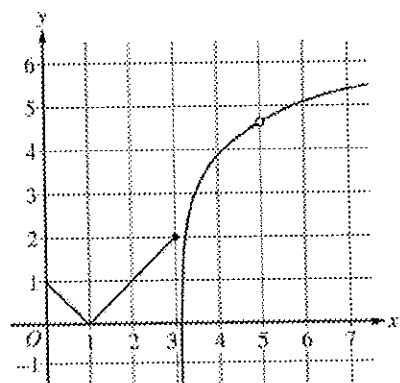
1. Match each problem on the left (above) with an answer from the right-hand column.

2. Now write the corresponding letter to each problem in the spaces below.

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Multiple Choice. Write the letter of the best answer choice in the blank provided. Capital letters please! Ⓜ

_____ 1. The graph of the function f is shown below. Which of the following limits does not exist?



Graph of f

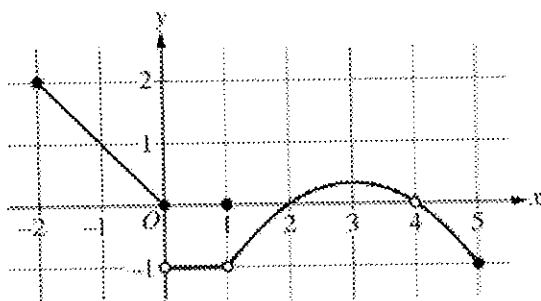
A. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$

C. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} f(x)$

B. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x)$

D. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} f(x)$

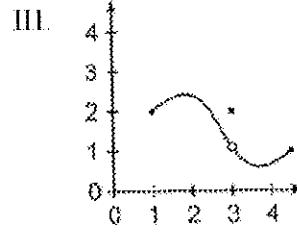
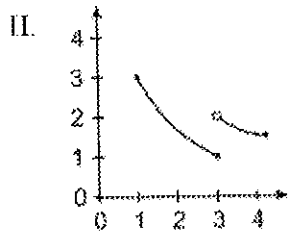
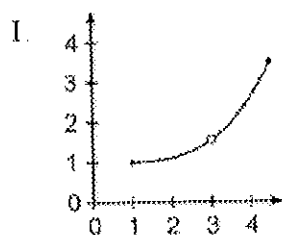
_____ 2. The graph of the function f is shown below. For what values of a does $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = 0$?



Graph of f

- A. 2 only
- B. 2 and 4
- C. 0 and 2 only
- D. 0, 1, and 2

_____ 3. For which of the graphs shown does the $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x)$ exist?



- A. I only
- B. III only
- C. I and II only
- D. I and III only

_____ 4. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3} \left(\frac{x^2 - 9}{x^2 - 2x - 15} \right)$

- A. 0
- B. $3/5$
- C. $3/4$
- D. $9/4$

_____ 5. What is $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2\left(\frac{1}{2}+h\right)^3 - 2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3}{h}$?

A. 0

B. $3/2$

C. 1

D. 6

_____ 6. Evaluate the limit, if it exists: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 25} \left(\frac{\sqrt{x}-5}{x-25} \right)$

A. 0

B. $\frac{1}{25}$

C. $\frac{1}{10}$

D. $\frac{1}{5}$

_____ 6. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (x \csc x)$ is

A. $-\infty$

B. -1

C. 0

D. 1

_____ 7. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sin\left(x - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)}{x - \frac{\pi}{4}}$ is

A. 0

B. $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

C. $\frac{\pi}{4}$

D. 1

_____ 8. $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos \theta}{2 \sin^2 \theta}$ is

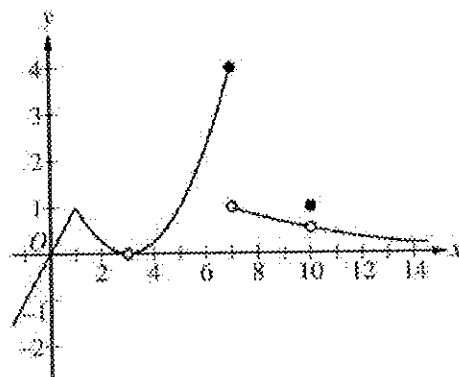
A. 0

B. $\frac{1}{8}$

C. $\frac{1}{4}$

D. 1

_____ 9. The graph of the function f is shown below. At what value of x does f have a jump discontinuity?



Graph of f

A. 1

B. 3

C. 7

D. 10

10. If f is a continuous function such that $f(2) = 6$, which of the following statements must be true?

- A. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(2x) = 3$ C. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(2x) = 12$
 B. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x^2) = 36$ D. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} (f(x))^2 = 36$

11. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x^3 + 3x^2 - 4x + 2}{4x^3 - x^2 + 5x - 3}$

- A) $-\frac{1}{2}$ B) 0 C) $\frac{1}{2}$ D) 1 E) 2

12. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{9x^4 + 1}}{4x^2 + 3}$ is

- (A) $\frac{1}{3}$ (B) $\frac{3}{4}$ (C) $\frac{3}{2}$ (D) $\frac{9}{4}$ (E) infinite

13. Let f be a function that is continuous on the closed interval $[1, 3]$ with $f(1) = 10$ and $f(3) = 18$. Which of the following statements must be true?

- (A) $10 \leq f(2) \leq 18$
 (B) f is increasing on the interval $[1, 3]$.
 (C) $f(x) = 17$ has at least one solution in the interval $[1, 3]$.
 (D) $f'(x) = 8$ has at least one solution in the interval $(1, 3)$.
 (E) $\int_1^3 f(x) dx > 20$

14.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 \sin(\pi x) & \text{for } x < 2 \\ x^2 + cx - 18 & \text{for } x \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

Let f be the function defined above, where c is a constant. For what value of c , if any, is f continuous at $x = 2$?

- (A) 2 (B) 7 (C) 9 (D) $4\pi - 4$ (E) There is no such value of c .

15. Function f is defined such that for all $x \geq 0$, the line $y = 3$ is a horizontal asymptote. Which of the following must be true?

- A. $f(3)$ is undefined B. $f(x) \neq 3$ for all $x \geq 0$ C. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = 3$ D. None of these

16. The vertical line $x = 2$ is an asymptote for the graph of the function f . Which of the following statements must be false?

- (A) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = 0$
(B) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = -\infty$
(C) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = \infty$
(D) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = 2$
(E) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \infty$

Free Response. Write a complete answer in the space provided.

1. Let f be the function defined below. Is f continuous at $x = 1$?

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 10 - 2x - x^2 & \text{for } x \leq 1 \\ 3 + 4e^{x-1} & \text{for } x > 1 \end{cases}$$

2. The function f and g are continuous for all real numbers. The table below gives values of the functions and their first derivatives at selected values of x . The function h is given by $h(x) = f(g(x)) - 6$. Explain why there must be a value of r on $[1, 3]$ for which $h(r) = -5$.

x	$f(x)$	$f'(x)$	$g(x)$	$g'(x)$
1	6	4	2	5
2	9	2	3	1
3	10	-4	4	2
4	-1	3	6	7