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Unit 1: Limit and Continuity Review  
(No Calculator)

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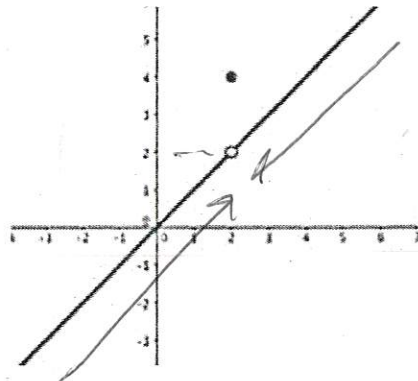
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Multiple Choice: Circle one answer

1. Determine the following limit.

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

- (A) 4
- (B) 2
- (C) 0
- (D) does not exist



2. Find the limit.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{5 \sin x}{x}$   $\frac{0}{0}$

- (A) 0
- (B) 5
- (C) 1
- (D) Does not exist

$$5 \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = 5 \cdot 1 = \boxed{5}$$

3. Find the limit.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3} \left( \frac{x^2 + 5x + 6}{x + 3} \right)$   $\frac{0}{0}$

- (A) -1
- (B) 1
- (C) 3
- (D) does not exist

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow -3} \frac{(x+2)(x+3)}{(x+3)} \\ = \lim_{x \rightarrow -3} (x+2) \\ = -3 + 2 = \boxed{-1} \end{aligned}$$

4. Find the limit.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{\sqrt{x+4}-3}{x-5}$   $\frac{0}{0}$

- (A) 1/3
- (B) 3
- (C) 1/6
- (D) does not exist

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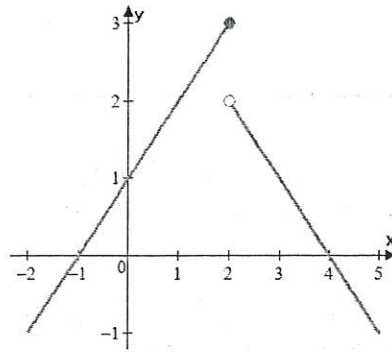
$$\begin{aligned} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+4}+3} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{5+4}+3} = \boxed{\frac{1}{6}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{\sqrt{x+4}-3}{x-5} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{(\sqrt{x+4}-3)(\sqrt{x+4}+3)}{(x-5)(\sqrt{x+4}+3)} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{x+4-9}{(x-5)(\sqrt{x+4}+3)} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{x-5}{(x-5)(\sqrt{x+4}+3)} \end{aligned}$$

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5. Discuss the continuity of the function at  $x = 2$ .

- (A) Removable discontinuity
- (B) Continuous everywhere
- (C) Jump discontinuity
- (D) Continuous only at  $x = 2$



6. Find the limit.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x) = \begin{cases} x^3 + 8, & x < 1 \\ x + 10, & x \geq 1 \end{cases}$

- (A) 11
- (B) 9
- (C) Does not exist
- (D) 10

$$1^3 + 8 = 9$$

7. Which of the following is true about the function  $f(x)$  below.

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 2x - 8}{x^2 + 4x - 32}$$

- (A)  $f(x)$  has a vertical asymptote at  $x = -8$
- (B)  $f(x)$  has removable discontinuity at  $x = 4$ .
- (C)  $f(x)$  is discontinuous at  $x = -8$ .
- (D)  $f(x)$  is discontinuous at  $x = 4$ .
- (E) A and C only
- (F) B and C only
- (G) A, B, C and D

$$\frac{(x-4)(x+2)}{(x-4)(x+8)}$$

removable  
 $x = 4$

$$x + 8 = 0 \\ x = -8$$

Asympt. -  
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8. Find the limit.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x^2 + x}{x^3 - 10}$

- (A)  $\infty$
- (B)  $-\infty$
- (C) 2
- (D) 0

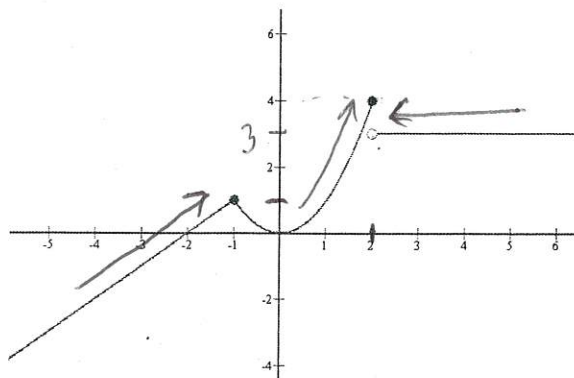
$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x^2}{x^3} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{x} = \frac{2}{\infty}$$

$$\frac{x^2}{x^3} = x^{2-3} = x^{-1} = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$= 0$$

Free Response: Be sure to show all your work and write complete sentences.

9. The function  $f(x)$  is represented on the graph at the right, find the limit of the following:



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

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

c.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = \text{DNE}$

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

10. Examine the function  $f(x) = \begin{cases} cx+1, & x \leq 1 \\ -x+4, & x > 1 \end{cases}$

- a. In the above function,  $c$  is a constant. If  $f(x)$  is continuous at  $x = 1$ , what is the value of  $c$ ?

$$cx + 1 = -x + 4$$

$$c(1) + 1 = -1 + 4$$

$$c + 1 = 3$$

$$c = 2$$

- b. Using your  $c$ -value from problem (a), find the limit below.

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

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1. Complete the table and use the result to estimate the limit.

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos(3x) - 1}{3x}$  Radian

x	-0.1	-0.01	-0.001	0.001	0.01	0.1
f(x)	0.149	0.015	0.0015	-0.0015	-0.015	-0.149

- (A) -1
- (B) -0.5
- (C) 0
- (D) 0.5

0.14888  
0.1489

-0.1489

2. Find the limit.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{3\pi}{4}} \sin x$

$\sin \frac{3\pi}{4} \approx 0.7071067812$

- (A) Does not exist
- (B)  $\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$
- (C)  $-\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$
- (D)  $-\frac{1}{2}$

3. Find the limit.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -4} \left( \frac{8x^2 + 40x + 32}{x + 4} \right)$

- (A) -24
- (B) 40
- (C) 24
- (D) does not exist

$\frac{8(x^2 + 5x + 4)}{(x+4)}$

$8(x+1)$   
 $8x + 8$   
 $8(-4) + 8 = -24$



4. Find the limit.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 11^+} \frac{11-x}{x^2-121}$

(A)  $\frac{1}{242}$

(B) Does not exist

(C) 0

(D)  $-\frac{1}{22}$

|| -0.455  
table

5. Find the x-values (if any) at which  $f(x) = \frac{|x-3|}{x-3}$  is not continuous.

(A)  $x = 3$  and jump discontinuity

(B)  $x = 0$  and removable discontinuities

(C)  $f(x)$  is continuous for all real  $x$

(D)  $x = 3$  and removable discontinuities

6. Determine whether  $f(x) = \frac{x^{10}}{x^2-9}$  approaches  $\infty$  or  $-\infty$  from the left and from the right by completing the tables below.

$x$	-3.5	-3.1	-3.01	-3.001
$f(x)$	84,876	134,365	1.02E6	9.87E6

$\rightarrow$  1,020,000  
 $\infty$

$x$	-2.999	-2.99	-2.9	-2.5
$f(x)$	-9.8E6	<del>9.5E5</del>	-71,306	-5466

(A)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3^-} f(x) = -\infty$ ,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3^+} f(x) = \infty$

(B)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3^-} f(x) = \infty$ ,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3^+} f(x) = -\infty$

(C)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3^-} f(x) = \infty$ ,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3^+} f(x) = \infty$

(D)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3^-} f(x) = -\infty$ ,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3^+} f(x) = -\infty$

7. Find the vertical asymptotes (if any) of the function  $f(x) = \frac{1+x}{x^2(1-x)}$ .

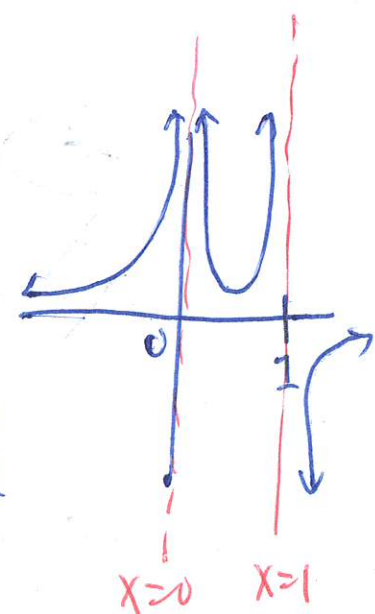
(A)  $x = -1$

(B)  $x = 1, 0$

(C)  $x = 1$

(D) No vertical asymptotes

$x^2 = 0$   
 $x = 0$   
 $1-x = 0$   
 $x = 1$



$\frac{x^2+5}{x-3}$

8. Find the limit.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(5 + \frac{3}{x^2}\right)$ .

(A)  $\infty$

(B) 3

(C)  $-\infty$

(D) 5

$5 - \frac{3}{\infty^2} = 5 - 0 = 5$

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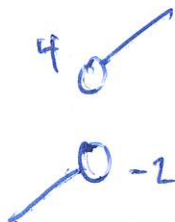
9. Examine the function function  $f(x)$  below.

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

a. Determine if the function  $f(x)$  is continuous at  $x = 2$ .

$$\begin{aligned} -(2) + 6 &= -(2)^2 + 2 && f(x) \text{ is not} \\ 4 &= -4 + 2 && \text{continuous at} \\ 4 &\neq -2 && x = 2 \end{aligned}$$

b. Describe the continuity of the function at  $x = 2$ .



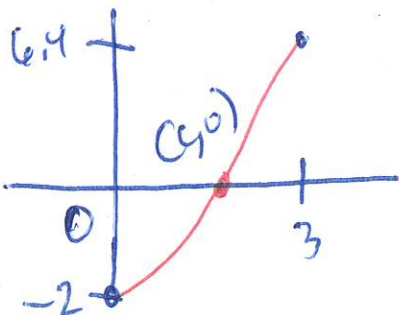
Jump discontinuity at  $x = 2$

10. Examine the function  $f(x) = \frac{1}{5}x^3 + x - 2$ .

a. Explain why the function  $f(x)$  has a zero ( $f(c) = 0$ ) in the given closed interval  $[0, 3]$ .

$$f(0) = -2$$

$$f(3) = 6.4$$



Since  $f(x)$  is continuous on  $[0, 3]$  and  $f(0) = -2$  and  $f(3) = 6.4$  then by IVT there is some  $c$  in  $(0, 3]$  such that  $f(c) = 0$ .

b. Find the value  $c$  such that  $f(c) = 0$ .

$$\frac{1}{5}x^3 + x - 2 = 0$$

$$c \approx 1.423$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{or} \\ 1.4233 \\ 1.4233183 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} c \approx 1.288 \\ \text{or } 1.2819 \end{aligned}$$