

1. (16pts) Use the graph of the function to answer the following. Justify your answer if a limit does not exist.

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

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

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} f(x) = \text{d.n.e.} \quad (\text{left and right limits are different})$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = 0$$

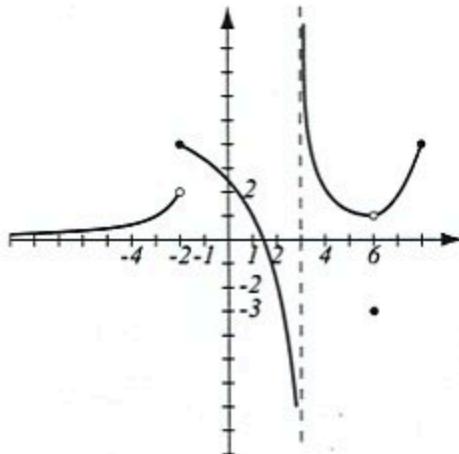
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 6} f(x) = 1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x) = \text{d.n.e.} \quad (\text{left and right limits are different})$$

List points in domain of  $f$  where  $f$  is not continuous and justify why it is not continuous at those points.

Not continuous at  $x = -2$ :  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} f(x)$  d.n.e.

$x = 6$ :  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 6} f(x) = 1$ ,  $f(6) = -3$  different values



2. (6pts) Let  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} f(x) = 3$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} g(x) = 1$ . Use limit laws to find the limit below and show each step.

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{xf(x) - 9g(x)}{f(x)^2 - 3} &= \frac{\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} (xf(x) - 9g(x))}{\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} (f(x)^2 - 3)} = \frac{\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} xf(x) - \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} 9g(x)}{\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} f(x)^2 - \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} 3} \\ &= \frac{\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} x \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} f(x) - 9 \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} g(x)}{(\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} f(x))^2 - \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} 3} = \frac{5 \cdot 3 - 9 \cdot 1}{3^2 - 3} = \frac{6}{6} = 1 \end{aligned}$$

3. (10pts) Find  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^4 \cdot (1 + \sin(\frac{1}{x}))^2$ . Use the theorem that rhymes with insects that you might find on dogs and cats.

$$-1 \leq \sin \frac{1}{x} \leq 1$$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} 0 = 0$  } same, so by the squeeze theorem, we have

$$0 \leq 1 + \sin \frac{1}{x} \leq 2$$

$$0 \leq (1 + \sin \frac{1}{x})^2 \leq 4$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^4 (1 + \sin \frac{1}{x})^2 = 0$$

$$0 \leq x^4 (1 + \sin \frac{1}{x})^2 \leq 4x^4$$

Find the following limits algebraically. Do not use the calculator.

4. (7pts)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2 - 5x + 7}{x + 4} = \underset{x \rightarrow \infty}{\cancel{\infty}} \frac{x^2 \left(1 - \frac{5}{x} + \frac{7}{x}\right)}{x \left(1 + \frac{4}{x}\right)} \underset{x \rightarrow \infty}{=} \infty \cdot \frac{1 - 0 + 0}{1 + 0} = \infty \cdot 1 = \infty$

5. (5pts)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 7} \frac{x^2 - 6x - 7}{x^2 - 11x + 28} = \underset{x \rightarrow 7}{\cancel{1}} \frac{(x-7)(x+1)}{(x-7)(x-4)} \underset{x \rightarrow 7}{=} \frac{7+1}{7-4} = \frac{8}{3}$

6. (7pts)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{x^2 - 25}{\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{5}} = \underset{x \rightarrow 5}{\cancel{0}} \frac{x^2 - 25}{\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{5}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{5}} = \underset{x \rightarrow 5}{\cancel{1}} \frac{(x-5)(x+5)(\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{5})}{x-5} \\ = \sqrt{x} + \sqrt{5} \\ \underset{x \rightarrow 5}{=} \frac{(5+5)(\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{5})}{1} \underset{x \rightarrow 5}{=} 20\sqrt{5}$

7. (6pts)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3^-} \frac{x}{x+3} = \frac{-3}{0^-} \underset{x \rightarrow -3^-}{\approx} -\infty \cdot \frac{1}{0^-} = -\infty \cdot (-\infty) = \infty$



8. (7pts)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} \left( \frac{1}{x-1} - \frac{2}{x^2-1} \right) = \underset{x \rightarrow 1^+}{\cancel{0}} \left( \frac{1}{x-1} - \frac{2}{(x-1)(x+1)} \right) \\ = \underset{x \rightarrow 1^+}{\cancel{0}} \frac{x+1-2}{(x-1)(x+1)} \underset{x \rightarrow 1^+}{=} \frac{x-1}{(x-1)(x+1)} \underset{x \rightarrow 1^+}{=} \frac{1}{1+1} = \frac{1}{2}$

$$x^3 - x^2 + x - \sqrt{x} = 1$$

9. (8pts) The equation  $x^3 - x^2 + x = \sqrt{x} + 1$  is given. Use the Intermediate Value Theorem to show it has a solution in the interval  $(0, 4)$ .

Let  $f(x) = x^3 - x^2 + x - \sqrt{x}$

it is continuous.

$$f(0) = 0$$

$$f(4) = 4^3 - 4^2 + 4 - \sqrt{4} = 50$$

$$= 64 - 16 + 4 - 2$$

$$f(0) \quad f(4)$$

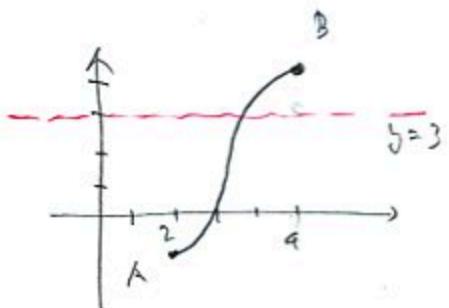
Since  $0 < 1 < 50$ , by I.V.T

there is a number  $c$  in  $(0, 4)$

such that  $f(c) = 1$ , so

a solution to the equation

10. (8pts) Explain in an intuitive way why the Intermediate Value Theorem is true on this example: Let  $f$  be a continuous function defined on the interval  $[2, 5]$ , and let  $f(2) = -1$  and  $f(5) = 4$ . Justify graphically why there has to be a number  $c$  in the interval  $(2, 5)$  so that  $f(c) = 3$ . (You need a picture and a nice sentence.)



An unbroken curve from A to B  
has to cross the line  $y=3$   
somewhere between 2 and 5

11. (10pts) Consider the limit  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{2^x - 4}{x - 2}$ . Use your calculator (don't forget parentheses) to estimate this limit with accuracy 3 decimal points. Write a table of values that will justify your answer.

$x$	$\frac{2^x - 4}{x - 2}$	$x$	$\frac{2^x - 4}{x - 2}$
2.1	2.870939	1.9	2.678680
2.01	2.782220	1.99	2.763002
2.001	2.773549	1.999	2.771628
2.0001	2.772694	1.9999	2.772493
2.00001	2.772598	1.99999	2.772579

It appears  
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{2^x - 4}{x - 2} = 2.772$   
 to three decimal digits

12. (10pts) Is the function defined below continuous? Justify.

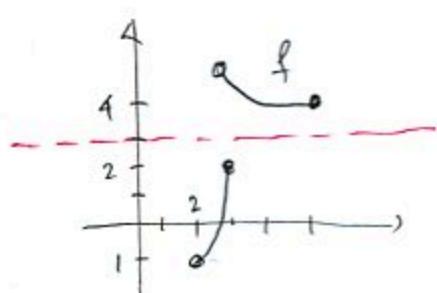
$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\sin(2x-6)}{x-3}, & \text{if } x \neq 3 \\ 4, & \text{if } x = 3. \end{cases}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{\sin(2x-6)}{x-3} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{\sin(2x-6)}{2(x-3)} \cdot 2 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \underbrace{\frac{\sin(2x-6)}{2x-6}}_{=1} \cdot 2 = 1 \cdot 2 = 2$$

$f(3) = 4$  so  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x) \neq f(3)$

like  $\lim_{n \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin n}{n} = 1$

**Bonus.** (10pts) Show by example that the conclusion of the Intermediate Value Theorem is not true if the function is not continuous. Draw a function defined on the interval  $[2, 5]$  for which  $f(2) = -1$  and  $f(5) = 4$ . but there is no number  $c$  in the interval  $(2, 5)$  so that  $f(c) = 3$ .



Example cannot be continuous,  
or it would satisfy the IVT.

There is no  $c$  for which  $f(c) = 3$   
since the line  $y=3$  does not intersect the graph.