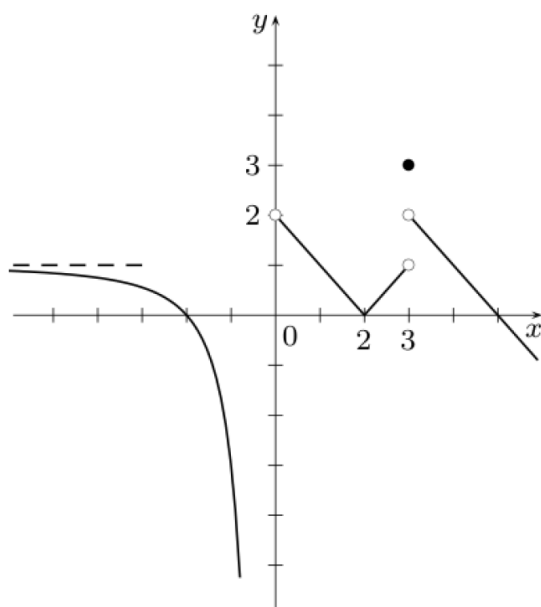
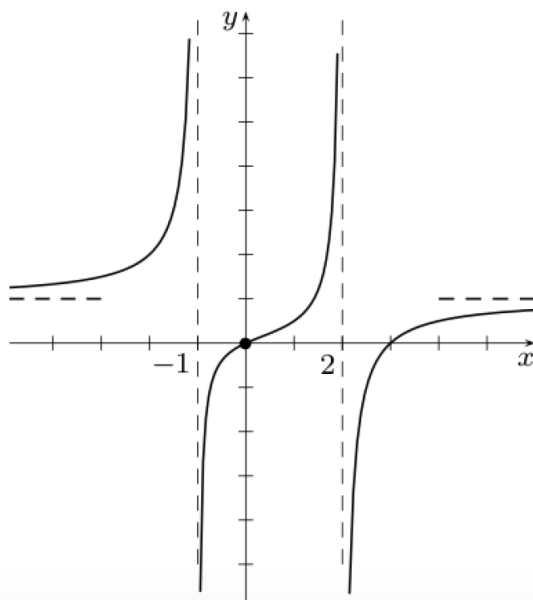


1. Use the graph of the function  $f$  to answer each question. Some times, there is the answer might not exist just specify when this is the case.



- (a)  $f(0)$  = does not exist.
- (b)  $f(2) = 0$
- (c)  $f(3) = 3$
- (d)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = -\infty$
- (e)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = 2$
- (f)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$  = does not exist
- (g)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} f(x) = 2$
- (h)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} f(x) = 1$
- (i)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x)$  = does not exist
- (j)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = 1$

2. Use the graph of the function  $f$  to answer each question. Some times, there is the answer might not exist just specify when this is the case.



- (a)  $f(0) = 0$
- (b)  $f(2)$  = does not exist
- (c)  $f(3) = 0$
- (d)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1^+} f(x) = -\infty$
- (e)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1^-} f(x) = \infty$
- (f)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} f(x)$  = does not exist
- (g)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = f(0) = 0$
- (h)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x) = -\infty$
- (i)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x) = \infty$
- (j)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x)$  = does not exist
- (k)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = 1$
- (l)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = 1$

3. Evaluate each limit using algebraic techniques. Some times, there is the answer might not exist just specify when this is the case. **SEE HELP NOTE FOR HOW YOU SHOULD DO TO THINK AND ANSWER THIS QUESTIONS**

$$1. \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 - 25}{x^2 - 4x - 5}$$

**Solution:**

*How you should think in your draft/head:* Well if I plug 0 in the expression there is no problem the function is defined and continuous and well defined. Cool I have not so much work to do then.

*How you can answer:*

We see that 0 is part of the domain of definition of the continuous rational function defined by  $\frac{x^2 - 25}{x^2 - 4x - 5}$  thus

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 - 25}{x^2 - 4x - 5} = \frac{0 - 25}{0 - 4 \times 0 - 5} = 5$$

$$2. \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{x^2 - 25}{x^2 - 4x - 5}$$

*How you should think in your draft/head:* Well if I plug 5 in the expression the denominator and numerator are 0. I have a indeterminate, if I see the help notes for limits, this should simplify well so I can get a determinate form. To get an determinate form first work of your function alone then take the limit you will avoid mistake or incoherence.

*How you can answer:*

Note that

$$\frac{x^2 - 25}{x^2 - 4x - 5} = \frac{(x - 5)(x + 5)}{(x + 1)(x - 5)} = \frac{x + 5}{x + 1}$$

The right hand of the equality is now defined and continuous at 5, thus

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{x^2 - 25}{x^2 - 4x - 5} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{x + 5}{x + 1} = \frac{5}{3}$$

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

*How you should think in your draft/head:* Well if I plug 1 in the expression the denominator and numerator are 0. I have a indeterminate, if I see the help notes for limits, this should simplify well so I can get a determinate form. To get an determinate form first work of your function alone then take the limit you will avoid mistake or incoherence.

*How you can answer:*

Note that

$$\frac{7x^2 - 4x - 3}{3x^2 - 4x + 1} = \frac{(x - 1)(7x + 3)}{(3x - 1)(x - 1)} = \frac{7x + 3}{3x - 1}$$

The right hand of the equality is now defined and continuous at 1, thus

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{7x^2 - 4x - 3}{3x^2 - 4x + 1} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{7x + 3}{3x - 1} = 5$$

$$4. \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^4 + 5x^3 + 6x^2}{x^2(x + 1) - 4(x + 1)}$$

*How you should think in your draft/head:* Well if I plug 2 in the expression the denominator is zero and numerator are 0. THIS IS NOT AN INDETERMINATE FORM.

*How you can answer:*

Note that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} x^4 + 5x^3 + 6x^2 = 2^4 + 5 \times 2^3 + 6 \times 2^2 > 0$$

and

$$x^2(x + 1) - 4(x + 1) = (x + 1)(x^2 - 4) = (x + 1)(x - 2)(x + 2)$$

Clearly, this is positive when  $x > 2$  and negative when  $0 < x < 2$ . Thus,

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

Hence, using the tables

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{x^4 + 5x^3 + 6x^2}{x^2(x + 1) - 4(x + 1)} = \infty$$

Also,

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

Hence, using the tables

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{x^4 + 5x^3 + 6x^2}{x^2(x+1) - 4(x+1)} = -\infty$$

Thus the right and left limits do not coincide and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^4 + 5x^3 + 6x^2}{x^2(x+1) - 4(x+1)}$  does not exist.

5.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3} |x+1| + \frac{3}{x}$

*How you should think in your draft/head:* Well if I plug  $-3$  there is not really nothing to worry about the function is defined and continuous at  $-3$ . So that is an easy question.

*How you can answer:*

Since the function defined by  $|x+1| + \frac{3}{x}$  is continuous at  $-3$  we have

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -3} |x+1| + \frac{3}{x} = |-3+1| + \frac{3}{-3} = 2 - 1 = 1$$

6.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{\sqrt{x+1}-2}{x^2-9}$

*How you should think in your draft/head:* Well if I plug  $3$  we get zero for denominator and numerator so I got indeterminate form. Since there is a square root maybe rationalizing help me to get rid of the square root.

*How you can answer:*

$$\frac{\sqrt{x+1}-2}{x^2-9} = \frac{\sqrt{x+1}-2}{x^2-9} \times \frac{\sqrt{x+1}+2}{\sqrt{x+1}+2} = \frac{x-3}{(x-3)(x+3)(\sqrt{x+1}+2)} = \frac{1}{(x+3)(\sqrt{x+1}+2)}$$

Since the function defined by  $\frac{1}{(x+3)(\sqrt{x+1}+2)}$  is continuous at  $3$  we have

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{\sqrt{x+1}-2}{x^2-9} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{1}{(x+3)(\sqrt{x+1}+2)} = \frac{1}{24}$$

7.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{\sqrt{x^2+7}-3}{x+3}$

*How you should think in your draft/head:* Well if I plug  $3$  there is absolutely no problem the denominator is not  $0$ . Great, it is a super easy question.

*How you can answer:* The function defined by  $\frac{\sqrt{x^2+7}-3}{x+3}$  is well defined and continuous at  $3$  thus

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{\sqrt{x^2+7}-3}{x+3} = \frac{\sqrt{3^2+7}-3}{3+3} = \frac{8}{6} = \frac{4}{3}$$

8.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^2+2x-8}{\sqrt{x^2+5}-(x+1)}$

*How you should think in your draft/head:* Well if I plug  $2$  we get zero for denominator and numerator so I got indeterminate form. Since there is a square root maybe rationalizing help me to get rid of the square root.

*How you can answer:*

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x^2+2x-8}{\sqrt{x^2+5}-(x+1)} &= \frac{x^2+2x-8}{\sqrt{x^2+5}-(x+1)} \times \frac{\sqrt{x^2+5}+(x+1)}{\sqrt{x^2+5}+(x+1)} \\ &= \frac{(x^2+2x-8)(\sqrt{x^2+5}+(x+1))}{x^2+5-(x+1)^2} \\ &= \frac{(x^2+2x-8)(\sqrt{x^2+5}+(x+1))}{4-2x} \\ &= \text{(In your head: well the denominator and numerator are still 0 at 2 so I need to go on)} \\ &= \frac{(x-2)(x+4)(\sqrt{x^2+5}+(x+1))}{-2(x-2)} \\ &= \frac{(x+4)(\sqrt{x^2+5}+(x+1))}{-2} \end{aligned}$$

Since the function defined by  $\frac{1}{(x+3)(\sqrt{x+1}+2)}$  is continuous at  $3$  we have

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{\sqrt{x+1}-2}{x^2-9} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{1}{(x+3)(\sqrt{x+1}+2)} = \frac{1}{24}$$

9.  $\lim_{y \rightarrow 5} \left( \frac{2y^2 + 2y + 4}{6y - 3} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}}$

*How you should think in your draft/head:* Well if I plug 5, your function the function is well defined no problem this is also an easy question

*How you can answer:*

The function defined by  $\left( \frac{2y^2 + 2y + 4}{6y - 3} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}}$  is well defined and continuous at 5 thus

$$\lim_{y \rightarrow 5} \left( \frac{2y^2 + 2y + 4}{6y - 3} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} = \left( \frac{2 \times 5^2 + 2 \times 5 + 4}{6 \times 5 - 3} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{4}{3}$$

10.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \sqrt{2\cos(x) - 5}$

*How you should think in your draft/head:* Well no where near 0 this function is define we are taking the square root of a negative number even if I am very near 0.

*How you can answer:*

We know that for any  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $-1 \leq \cos(x) \leq 1$  thus  $-7 \leq 2\cos(x) - 5 \leq -3$ . So the function defined by  $\sqrt{2\cos(x) - 5}$  is never defined over the real number and since we cannot speak about the function we cannot even speak about any limit.

11.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{3+x} - \frac{1}{3-x}}{x}$

*How you should think in your draft/head:* Well when I plug 0 to the function we get 0 as numerator and denominator thus and undetermined function.

*How you can answer:*

We have

$$\frac{\frac{1}{3+x} - \frac{1}{3-x}}{x} = \frac{-2x}{(3+x)(3-x)x} = \frac{-2}{(3+x)(3-x)}$$

The function defined by  $\frac{-2}{(3+x)(3-x)}$  is well defined and continuous at 0. Thus

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{3+x} - \frac{1}{3-x}}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-2}{(3+x)(3-x)} = \frac{-2}{9}$$

11.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -6} \frac{\frac{2x+8}{x^2-12} - \frac{1}{x}}{x+6}$

*How you should think in your draft/head:* Well when I plug 0 to the function we get 0 as numerator and denominator thus and undetermined function.

*How you can answer:*

We have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\frac{2x+8}{x^2-12} - \frac{1}{x}}{x+6} &= \frac{x(2x+8) - (x^2-12)}{x(x^2-12)(x+6)} \\ &= \frac{x^2+8x+12}{x(x^2-12)(x+6)} \\ &= \frac{x(x+2)(x+6)}{x(x^2-12)(x+6)} \\ &= \frac{x+2}{x(x^2-12)} \end{aligned}$$

The function defined by  $\frac{x+2}{x(x^2-12)}$  is well defined and continuous at -6. Thus

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -6} \frac{\frac{2x+8}{x^2-12} - \frac{1}{x}}{x+6} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -6} \frac{x+2}{x(x^2-12)} = \frac{1}{36}$$

12.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{x^2 - 2} - \sqrt{x^2 + 1}$

*How you should think in your draft/head:* Quickly, you can intuitively think at infinity  $\sqrt{x^2 - 2}$  should be  $\infty$  and  $-\sqrt{x^2 + 1}$  is  $-\infty$ . This is an indeterminate for sums. Since we have a square root MAYBE rationalizing could help lets try.

*How you can answer:*

We have

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{x^2 - 2} - \sqrt{x^2 + 1} &= \frac{(\sqrt{x^2 - 2} - \sqrt{x^2 + 1})(\sqrt{x^2 - 2} + \sqrt{x^2 + 1})}{(\sqrt{x^2 - 2} + \sqrt{x^2 + 1})} \\ &= \frac{-3}{(\sqrt{x^2 - 2} + \sqrt{x^2 + 1})} \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x^2 - 2 = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x^2 + 1 = \infty$  then using the composition rule since  $\lim_{X \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{X} = \infty$ ,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{x^2 - 2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{x^2 + 1} = \infty$ . Thus,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{x^2 - 2} - \sqrt{x^2 + 1} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-3}{(\sqrt{x^2 - 2} + \sqrt{x^2 + 1})} = 0$$

13.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \sqrt{x - 2} - \sqrt{x}$  *How you should think in your draft/head:* Quickly, you can intuitively think at infinity  $\sqrt{x - 2}$  should be  $\infty$  and  $-\sqrt{x}$  is  $-\infty$ . This is an indeterminate for sums. Since we have a square root MAYBE rationalizing could help lets try.

*How you can answer:*

We have

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{x - 2} - \sqrt{x} &= \frac{(\sqrt{x - 2} - \sqrt{x})(\sqrt{x - 2} + \sqrt{x})}{(\sqrt{x - 2} + \sqrt{x})} \\ &= \frac{-2}{(\sqrt{x - 2} + \sqrt{x})} \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x - 2 = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x = \infty$  then using the composition rule since  $\lim_{X \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{X} = \infty$ ,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{x - 2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{x^2 + 1} = \infty$ . Thus,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{x - 2} - \sqrt{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-2}{(\sqrt{x - 2} + \sqrt{x})} = 0$$

14.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 7} \sqrt{2x - 14}$

*How you should think in your draft/head:* There is a problem here because  $\sqrt{2x - 14}$  is not even defined close to 7 when  $x < 7$ .

*How you can answer:* The function defined by  $\sqrt{2x - 14}$  is even not defined when  $x$  approaches 7 on the left. Thus this limit does not exist.

15.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \sqrt[6]{3 - 3x}$

*How you should think in your draft/head:* There is a problem here because  $\sqrt[6]{3 - 3x}$  is not even defined close to 1 when  $x < 1$ .

*How you can answer:* The function defined by  $\sqrt[6]{3 - 3x}$  is even not defined when  $x$  approaches 1 on the left. Thus this limit does not exist.

16.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^4 - 10}{4x^3 + x}$  *How you should think in your draft/head:* This is easy it is a rational function indeterminate if I leave it like this. I know what to do.

*How you can answer:*

$$\frac{x^4 - 10}{4x^3 + x} = x \frac{1 - \frac{10}{x^4}}{4 - \frac{1}{x^2}}$$

Since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{10}{x^4} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{x^2} = 0$ , then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 - \frac{10}{x^4}}{4 - \frac{1}{x^2}} = \frac{1 - 0}{4 - 0} = \frac{1}{4}$$

and

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x = \infty$$

Thus,

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

17.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \sqrt[3]{\frac{x - 3}{5 - x}}$

*How you should think in your draft/head:* Here we have a composite with a rational function thus first we should find the limit of the rational function and then do the composite maybe.

*How you can answer:*

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

Since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{3}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{5}{x} = 0$ , then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{1 - \frac{3}{x}}{-1 + \frac{5}{x}} = \frac{1 - 0}{-1 + 0} = -1$$

and

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} x = -1$$

Moreover,

$$\lim_{X \rightarrow -1} \sqrt[3]{X} = -1$$

since the function  $\sqrt[3]{x}$  is continuous at  $-1$ . Thus, by the composite rule we get

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \sqrt[3]{\frac{x-3}{5-x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \sqrt[3]{\frac{1-\frac{3}{x}}{-1+\frac{5}{x}}} = -1$$

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

*How you should think in your draft/head:* rational function easy.

*How you can answer:*

$$\frac{3x^3+x^2-2}{x^2+x-2x^3+1} = \frac{x^3(3+1/x-2/x^3)}{x^3(1/x+1/x^2-2+1/x^3)} = \frac{(3+1/x-2/x^3)}{(1/x+1/x^2-2+1/x^3)}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} 1/x = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} -2/x^3 = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} 1/x^2 = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} 1/x^3 = 0$$

Thus

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3x^3+x^2-2}{x^2+x-2x^3+1} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(3+1/x-2/x^3)}{(1/x+1/x^2-2+1/x^3)} = \frac{(3+0-0)}{(0+0-2+0)} = -\frac{3}{2}$$

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

*How you should think in your draft/head:* rational function easy.

*How you can answer:*

$$\frac{x+5}{2x^2+1} = \frac{x(1+5/x)}{x^2(2+1/x^2)} = \frac{1+5/x}{x(2+1/x^2)}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} 2+1/x^2 = 2+0 = 2$$

and

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x = \infty$$

Thus

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x(2+1/x^2) = \infty$$

and since

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} 1+5/x = 1+0 = 1$$

we have using the limit tables,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x+5}{2x^2+1} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1+5/x}{x(2+1/x^2)} = 0$$

20.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \cos\left(\frac{x^5+1}{x^6+x^5+100}\right)$

*How you should think in your draft/head:* composite of cos and rational function that is easy.

*How you can answer:*

$$\frac{x^5+1}{x^6+x^5+100} = \frac{x^5(1+1/x^5)}{x^6(1+1/x+1/x^6)} = \frac{(1+1/x^5)}{x(1+1/x+1/x^6)}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} 1+1/x+1/x^6 = 1+0+0 = 1$$

and

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} x = -\infty$$

Thus

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} x(1+1/x+1/x^6) = -\infty$$

and since

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} 1+1/x^5 = 1+0 = 1$$

we have using the limit tables,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{x^5 + 1}{x^6 + x^5 + 100} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{(1 + 1/x^5)}{x(1 + 1/x + 1/x^6)} = 0$$

Also,  $\cos$  is continuous at 0 thus

$$\lim_{X \rightarrow 0} \cos(X) = \cos(0) = 1$$

with  $X = \frac{x^5 + 1}{x^6 + x^5 + 100}$ .

Using the composite rule we get that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \cos\left(\frac{x^5 + 1}{x^6 + x^5 + 100}\right) = 1$$

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

*How you should think in your draft/head:* If I plug 2, I get  $4 > 0$  on the numerator and 0 on the denominator. That is not an indeterminate, but I still need to separate left and right limits.

*How you can answer:*

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} 2x = 4 > 0$$

and  $x^2 - 4 = (x + 2)(x - 2)$  is positive when  $x > 2$  and negative when  $0 < x < 2$ . Thus

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} x^2 - 4 = 0^+$$

and using the limit tables we get

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

Moreover

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} x^2 - 4 = 0^-$$

and using the limit tables we get

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

Thus the left and right limits do not coincide implying that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{2x}{x^2 - 4}$  does not exist.

22.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{3x}{x^2 + 2x + 1}$

*How you should think in your draft/head:* If I plug 1 we are all fine the denominator is not 0. So that is a super easy question.

*How you can answer:* The function defined by  $\frac{3x}{x^2 + 2x + 1}$  is continuous at 1 thus by definition of continuity we have

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{3x}{x^2 + 2x + 1} = \frac{3 \times 1}{1^2 + 2 \times 1 + 1} = \frac{3}{4}$$

23.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^2 - 25}{x^2 - 4x - 5}$

*How you should think in your draft/head:* If I plug 1 we are all fine the denominator is not 0. So that is a super easy question.

*How you can answer:* The function defined by  $\frac{x^2 - 25}{x^2 - 4x - 5}$  is continuous at 1 thus by definition of continuity we have

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^2 - 25}{x^2 - 4x - 5} = \frac{1^2 - 25}{1^2 - 4 \times 1 - 5} = \frac{-24}{-8} = 3$$

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

*How you should think in your draft/head:* If I plug 3 denominator and numerator are 0 ous indeterminate but we have a square root how about trying to rationalize and see.

*How you can answer:*

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\sqrt{x^2-5}+2}{x-3} &= \frac{\sqrt{x^2-5}+2}{x-3} \frac{\sqrt{x^2-5}-2}{\sqrt{x^2-5}-2} = \frac{x^2-9}{(x-3)(\sqrt{x^2-5}-2)} \\ &= \frac{x(x-3)(x+3)}{(x-3)(\sqrt{x^2-5}-2)} = \frac{x(x+3)}{\sqrt{x^2-5}-2} \end{aligned}$$

The function  $\frac{x(x+3)}{\sqrt{x^2-5}-2}$  is now continuous at 3 thus

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{\sqrt{x^2-5}+2}{x-3} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x(x+3)}{\sqrt{x^2-5}-2} = \frac{3(3+3)}{\sqrt{3^2-5}-2} = \frac{3 \times 6}{2} = 9$$

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

*How you should think in your draft/head:* If I plug 0 the denominator is 0 but the numerator is 1. So we can see that this is not an indeterminate. Also, the denominator is always positive so I even do not have to separate left and right limits.

*How you can answer:* The function defined by  $2^x + \sin(x)$  is continuous at 0 thus

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

and

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^4 = 0^+$$

Using the limit tables, we get

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

26.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{1}{x-1} + e^{x^2}$

*How you should think in your draft/head:* That is a sum of two function and both are not hard to find a limit of.

*How you can answer:*  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} x - 1 = 0^-$ . Using the quotient limit table, we get

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{1}{x-1} = -\infty$$

and the function defined by  $e^{x^2}$  is continuous at 1 thus

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} e^{x^2} = e^{1^2} = e$$

Using the limit sum table,

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

27.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} 2x^2 - 3x$

*How you should think in your draft/head:* Limit of a polynomial super easy cool.

*How you can answer:*

$$2x^2 - 3x = x^2(2 - 3/x)$$

And

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} 2 - 3/x = 2 - 0 = 2$$

and

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

Using the product limit table, we get

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} 2x^2 - 3x = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x^2(2 - 3/x) = \infty$$



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

*How you should think in your draft/head:* If I plug 0 in this expression I get 0 for denominator and numerator grrrr. Well I have a rational function, let try to rationalize, who knows.

*How you can answer:*

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\sqrt{x+2}-\sqrt{2-x}}{x} &= \frac{\sqrt{x+2}-\sqrt{2-x}}{x} \times \frac{\sqrt{x+2}+\sqrt{2-x}}{\sqrt{x+2}+\sqrt{2-x}} \\ &= \frac{2x}{x(\sqrt{x+2}+\sqrt{2-x})} \\ &= \frac{2}{(\sqrt{x+2}+\sqrt{2-x})} \end{aligned}$$

The function defined by  $\frac{2}{(\sqrt{x+2}+\sqrt{2-x})}$  is now continuous at 0 thus

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

29.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{e^x}{1+\ln(x)}$

*How you should think in your draft/head:* If I try quickly to work out the limit here the numerator goes to 1 and the denominator to  $-\infty$  so no problem here it will be a walk in a park.

*How you can answer:* We have that  $e^x$  is continuous at 0 thus

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} e^x = e^0 = 1$$

and it is known that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \ln(x) = -\infty$$

thus

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} 1 + \ln(x) = -\infty$$

And using the quotient limit table we get

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{e^x}{1 + \ln(x)} = 0$$

30.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{x^2+1} - 2x$

*How you should think in your draft/head:* If I try to do the naive way I get infinity summed with - infinity, not great it is an indeterminate. There is a square root I could rationalize but I could also try to first factorize by higher power of  $x$  and see what happens, maybe I do not need to rationalize. Indeed, if you try quickly you will see that factorizing the higher power already solve the problem so if you rationalized you lost good time.

*How you can answer:* Since we are look at the limit at infinity we can look at the function close to  $\infty$  for instance in  $(0, \infty)$  it is enough. We have for any  $x > 0$ ,

$$\sqrt{x^2+1} - 2x = \sqrt{x^2(1+1/x^2)} - 2x = \sqrt{x^2} \sqrt{(1+1/x^2)} - 2x = |x| \sqrt{(1+1/x^2)} - 2x = x(\sqrt{(1+1/x^2)} - 2)$$

since  $x > 0$ .

We have

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{(1+1/x^2)} - 2 = \sqrt{1+0} - 2 = -1 < 0$$

and

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x = \infty$$

We can use the product limit table and get

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{x^2+1} - 2x = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x(\sqrt{(1+1/x^2)} - 2) = -\infty$$

31.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\sqrt[3]{x}-1}{\sqrt{x}-1}$

*How you should think in your draft/head:* When I plug 1 on denominator and numerator I get 0 for both, both it is again an indeterminate. I need to factor somehow. You can see that  $\sqrt{x} = \sqrt[3]{x^3}$ , also

$$x^3 - 1 = (x-1)(x^2+x+1)$$

. So maybe I can do it.

*How you can answer:*

$$\sqrt{x} - 1 = (\sqrt[3]{x} - 1)(\sqrt[3]{x^2} + \sqrt[3]{x} + 1)$$

Thus

$$\frac{\sqrt[3]{x} - 1}{\sqrt{x} - 1} = \frac{\sqrt[3]{x} - 1}{(\sqrt[3]{x} - 1)(\sqrt[3]{x^2} + \sqrt[3]{x} + 1)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{x^2} + \sqrt[3]{x} + 1}$$

The function defined by  $\frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{x^2} + \sqrt[3]{x} + 1}$  is continuous at 1 thus

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\sqrt[3]{x} - 1}{\sqrt{x} - 1} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{x^2} + \sqrt[3]{x} + 1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{1^2} + \sqrt[3]{1} + 1} = \frac{1}{3}$$

4. Find the following limits involving absolute values

(a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^2 - 1}{|x - 1|}$

*How you should think in your draft/head:* I have an absolute value how can I do. Well lets try first to do a simple replacement and see what happens. Well the denominator and numerator are 0 so indeterminate I need to simplify. Well with the absolute value of  $|x - 1|$  I see that this expression depends on  $x > 1$  or  $x < 1$  so I will need to separate the limit on the right and left if I want to get somewhere.

*How you can answer:* When  $x > 1$

$$\frac{x^2 - 1}{|x - 1|} = \frac{(x - 1)(x + 1)}{x - 1} = x + 1$$

Thus

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

When  $x < 1$ ,

$$\frac{x^2 - 1}{|x - 1|} = \frac{(x - 1)(x + 1)}{-(x - 1)} = -(x + 1)$$

Thus

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

We see that the limit on the right and left do not coincide thus  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^2 - 1}{|x - 1|}$  does not exist.

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

*How you should think in your draft/head:* Let first see as usual what happens when I plug  $-2$ , well  $x^2$  no problem for  $\frac{1}{|x + 2|}$  the numerator 1 and the denominator is 0 but positive since the absolute value is always positive cool I know this limit with the quotient limit table.

*How you can answer:*

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

and

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} |x + 2| = 0^+$$

thus using the quotient limit table we get

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \frac{1}{|x + 2|} = \infty$$

and using the sum limit table we get

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

(c)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} \frac{x^2|x-3|}{x-3}$

*How you should think in your draft/head:* Let first see as usual what happens when I plug 3, well I get 0 in numerator and denominator, indeterminate grrrr. Well it is not so bad as when you close to 3 on the left (meaning  $x < 3$ ),  $|x-3| = -(x-3)$ , I should be able to simplify then.

*How you can answer:* When  $x < 3$ ,

$$\frac{x^2|x-3|}{x-3} = \frac{-x^2(x-3)}{x-3} = -x^2$$

thus

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} \frac{x^2|x-3|}{x-3} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} -x^2 = -3^2 = -9$$

5. Find the value of the parameter  $k$  to make the following limit exist and be finite. What is then the value of the limit?

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{x^2 + kx - 20}{x - 5}$$

6. Answer the following questions for the piecewise defined function  $f$  described bellow.

$$f: \mathbb{R} \setminus \{1\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$x \mapsto \begin{cases} \sin(\pi x) & \text{for } x < 1 \\ 2^{x^2} & \text{for } x > 1 \end{cases}$$

(a)  $f(1) =$

**Solution:** not defined as it is

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

**Solution:** Since  $0 < 1$  and the function defined by  $\sin(\pi x)$  continuous at 0

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \sin(\pi x) = \sin(\pi \cdot 0) = 0$$

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

*How you should think in your draft/head:* Here you have a piecewise function that changes around 1 thus we will need to separate the limit on the right and left and compare them.

*How you can answer:*

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

since the function defined by  $2^{x^2}$  is continuous at 1.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \sin(\pi x) = \sin(\pi) = 0$$

since the function defined by  $\sin(\pi x)$  is continuous at 1.

Since the limit on right and left do not coincide then  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x)$  does not exist.

7. Answer the following questions for the piecewise defined function  $f$  described bellow.

$$f: (-\infty, -2) \cup (-1, 0) \cup (0, 1) \cup (1, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$t \mapsto \begin{cases} t^2 & \text{for } t < -2 \\ \frac{t+6}{t^2-t} & \text{for } -1 < t < 2 \\ 3t-2 & \text{for } t \geq 2. \end{cases}$$

(a)  $f(-3/2) =$

**Solution**  $-1 < -3/2 < 2$ , thus

$$f(-3/2) = \frac{-3/2+6}{(-3/2)^2 - (-3/2)} = \frac{4 \times 9}{2 \times 15} = \frac{6}{5}$$

(b)  $f(2) =$

**Solution**

$$f(2) = 3 \times 2 - 2 = 4$$

(c)  $f(3/2) =$

**Solution**  $-1 < 3/2 < 2$ , thus

$$f(3/2) = \frac{3/2 + 6}{(3/2)^2 - (3/2)} = \frac{4 \times 15}{2 \times 3} = 10$$

(d)  $\lim_{t \rightarrow -2} f(t) =$

**Solution** As the function is defined this limit only exist on the left so this limit does not exist at  $-2$ .

(e)  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 1^+} f(t) =$

When we are close to 1 on the right the function is equal to  $\frac{t+6}{t^2-t}$ . Moreover when  $t > 1$ ,  $t(t-1) > 0$ . Thus

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 1^+} t^2 - t = \lim_{t \rightarrow 1^+} t(t-1) = 0^+$$

and

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 1^+} t + 6 = 7 > 0$$

Thus, we can apply the quotient limit table and we get

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 1^+} f(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 1^+} \frac{t+6}{t^2-t} = \infty$$

(f)  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 2} f(t) =$

**Solution:**

*How you should think in your draft/head:* Here the function around 2 has different values depending if you are on the left or right. We will have to study separately the left and right limit and compare then to get an answer.

*How you can answer:*

The function defined by  $\frac{t+6}{t^2-t}$  is continuous at 2 thus

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 2^-} f(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{t+6}{t^2-t} = \frac{2+6}{2^2-2} = 4$$

Moreover,

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 2^+} f(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 2^+} 3t - 2 = 4$$

Thus the limit on the right and left coincide and

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

(g)  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} f(t) =$

**Solution**

$-1 < 0 < 2$  thus

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} f(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{t+6}{t^2-t}$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} t + 6 = 6 > 0$$

and when  $0 < t < 1$ ,

$$t^2 - t = t(t-1) < 0$$

thus

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} t^2 - t = 0^-$$

Hence, using the quotient limit table we get

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{t+6}{t^2-t} = -\infty$$

When  $-1 < t < 0$ ,

$$t^2 - t = t(t-1) > 0$$

thus

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0^-} t^2 - t = 0^+$$

Hence, using the quotient limit table we get

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{t+6}{t^2-t} = \infty$$

Thus the limits on the right and left at 0 do not coincide and  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} f(t)$  does not exist.