

Math 131 - Test 1
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Name key Score _____

Show all work to receive full credit. Supply explanations where necessary. When evaluating limits, you may need to use $+\infty$, $-\infty$, or DNE (does not exist). When classifying discontinuities, use the words *removable*, *nonremovable*, *infinite*, and/or *jump*.

1. (10 points) Think about our definition of *limit*. For each part below, does the table of values justify the given limit (yes or no)? Explain your reasoning.

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

x	2.1	2.01	2.001	2.0001	2.00001	2.000001
$f(x)$	1.098363	1.009998	1.001000	1.000100	1.000010	1.000001

No. THE X-VALUES ARE ONLY TO THE RIGHT OF $x=2$.
THE TABLE ACTUALLY JUSTIFIES $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x) = 1$.

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} g(x) = 7$

x	0.01	-0.01	0.001	-0.001	0.0001	-0.0001
$g(x)$	2.976341	3.001253	4.994369	5.000124	6.999998	7.000002

No. THE X-VALUES ARE GETTING CLOSER AND CLOSER TO $x=0$,
BUT THE Y-VALUES DO NOT INDICATE GETTING CLOSER & CLOSER TO 7.
RATHER, THE y-VALUES ARE ALL OF A SUDDEN CLOSE TO 7.

(c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3.5} h(x) = 8.5$

x	1.00	2.00	3.00	4.00	5.00	6.00
$h(x)$	8.342301	8.497634	8.499436	8.500293	8.522341	8.299863

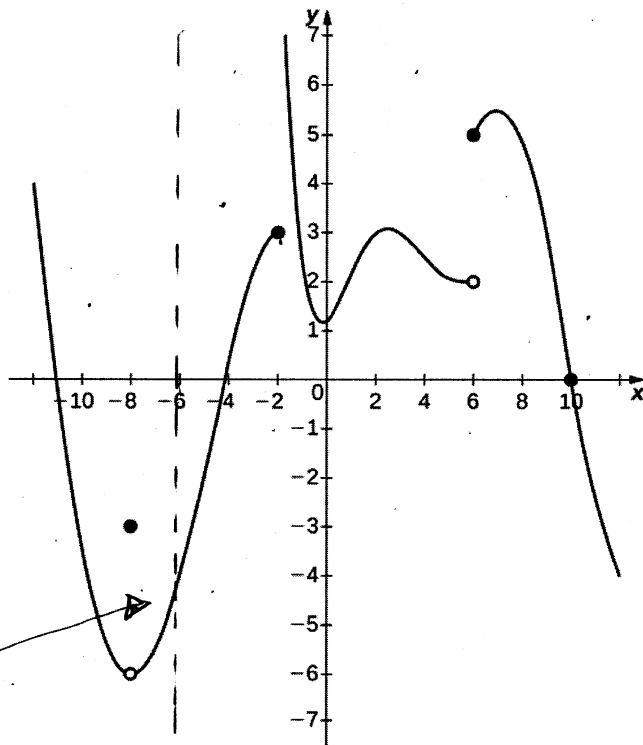
No. THE X-VALUES ARE NOT GETTING CLOSER AND CLOSER
TO $x=3.5$. IT'S IRRELEVANT WHAT THE y'S ARE DOING.

(d) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4^+} f(x) = \infty$

x	3.9	3.99	3.999	3.9999	3.99999	3.999999
$f(x)$	15.3	135.7	12,365.8	1,302,986.4	186,732,001.5	2,332,986,094.3

No. THE TABLE ACTUALLY SEEMS TO JUSTIFY $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4^-} f(x) = \infty$.
THE X-VALUES ARE ON THE WRONG SIDE
OF $x=4$.

2. (14 points) The graph of $y = f(x)$ is shown below. Use the graph to solve each part of this problem.



- (a) What type of discontinuity does f have at $x = 6$? Explain your reasoning.

Jump DISCONT. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 6^-} f(x) = 2 \neq 5 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 6^+} f(x)$

- (b) Estimate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 10^+} f(x)$.

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- (c) Estimate the value $f(-8)$.

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- (d) Based on the graph, Steve believed that $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^-} f(x) = \infty$. Do you agree or disagree? Explain your reasoning.

DISAGREE.

STEVE SHOULD GET 3. HE IS LOOKING FROM THE RIGHT OF $x = 3$, INSTEAD OF THE LEFT.

- (e) Estimate $\lim_{x \rightarrow -6^-} f(x)$.

LOOKS LIKE **-4.5** OR SO.

- (f) What type of discontinuity does f have at $x = -8$? Explain your reasoning.

REMOVABLE.

THE LIMIT EXISTS AT $x = -8$. LIMIT IS **-6**

- (g) Estimate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 6^-} f(x)$.

LOOK LIKE **2**

3. (30 points) Determine each limit **analytically**, or explain why the limit does not exist. You may need to use $+\infty$, $-\infty$, or DNE.

(a) $\lim_{w \rightarrow 6} \frac{\sqrt{w+3}-3}{2w-12}$ % More work

$$\lim_{w \rightarrow 6} \frac{\sqrt{w+3}-3}{2(w-6)} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{w+3}+3}{\sqrt{w+3}+3} = \lim_{w \rightarrow 6} \frac{\cancel{w+3}-9}{2(\cancel{w-6})(\sqrt{w+3}+3)} = \frac{1}{2 \cdot 6} = \boxed{\frac{1}{12}}$$

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{x^2+7x+10}{x^2+3x+2} = \frac{4+14+10}{4+6+2} = \frac{28}{12} = \boxed{\frac{7}{3}}$

By DIRECT SUBSTITUTION

% More work

(c) $\lim_{h \rightarrow -5} \left(\frac{\frac{3}{h} + \frac{3}{5}}{h+5} \right)$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow -5} \left(\frac{\frac{15+3h}{5h}}{h+5} \right) = \lim_{h \rightarrow -5} \frac{3(\cancel{h+5})}{5h(\cancel{h+5})} = \boxed{-\frac{3}{25}}$$

(d) $\lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{y}{(y+6)^2-36}$ % More work

$$\lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{y}{y^2+12y} = \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{y+12} = \boxed{\frac{1}{12}}$$

(e) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan 3x}{6x}$ % More work

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 3x}{2 \cdot 3x \cdot \cos 3x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{\sin 3x}{3x} \cdot \frac{1}{\cos 3x} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \cdot 1 \cdot 1 = \boxed{\frac{1}{2}}$$

4. (12 points) These limits DO NOT EXIST. Choose any three (3) of them, and clearly tell why the limit fails to exist. If necessary, provide evidence.

(a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 7} \frac{9x}{(x-7)^4}$ $\frac{63}{0}$ Form \Rightarrow SOME KIND OF INF LIMITS.

#2 -- FUNCTION VALUES GROW WITHOUT BOUND.

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^2 \ln x$

#4 -- $\ln x$ IS NOT DEFINED WHEN $x < 0$

(c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 + 3x}{|x|}$ $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{x^2 + 3x}{|x|} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{x^2 + 3x}{x} = 3$

#1 -- LIMIT FROM LEFT $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{x^2 + 3x}{|x|} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{x^2 + 3x}{-x} = -3$
 \neq LIMIT FROM RIGHT

(d) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi^+} \left(\frac{x-3}{\tan x} \right)$ $\frac{\pi-3}{0}$ Form \Rightarrow SOME KIND OF INF LIMIT

#2 ... FUNCTION VALUES GROW WITHOUT BOUND.

5. (9 points) Suppose that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x) = 4$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} h(x)$ exists. Determine each limit.

(a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} [x^2 f(x) + h(x) \sin \pi x]$

$\sin 3\pi = 0$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} x^2 \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x) + \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} h(x) \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \sin \pi x$

$= 9 \cdot 4 + \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} h(x) \right) \cdot 0 = \boxed{36}$

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} [(x-3)f(x)h(x)]$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} (x-3) \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x) \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} h(x) = 0$

(c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} h(x)$ if $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{f(x)}{h(x)}$ does not exist

$\frac{\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x)}{\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} h(x)} = \frac{4}{?}$

MUST BE **ZERO** IF DNE.

6. (9 points) In each problem below, determine whether the limit is $+\infty$, $-\infty$, or DNE. Show work or explain your reasoning.

(a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -6^+} \left(\frac{2x+4}{x+6} \right) \frac{-8/0}{0} \Rightarrow$ SOME KIND OF INF. LIMIT

TO THE RIGHT OF $x = -6 \dots$

Numer. is neg. AND DENOM IS POS. \Rightarrow LIMIT IS $-\infty$.

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 8} \frac{x^2}{(x-8)^2} \frac{64}{0} \Rightarrow$ SOME KIND OF INF. LIMITS.

\uparrow FRACTION IS A SQUARE --- ALWAYS POSITIVE.

LIMIT IS $+\infty$.

(c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 7} \left(\frac{x}{x-7} \right) \frac{7}{0} \Rightarrow$ SOME KIND OF INF. LIMITS.

TO THE LEFT OF $x = 7 \dots$

Numer. is pos. AND DENOM IS NEG $\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 7^-} \frac{x}{x-7} = -\infty$

TO THE RIGHT OF $x = 7 \dots$

Numer. is pos. AND DENOM. IS POS $\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 7^+} \frac{x}{x-7} = +\infty$

LIMIT DNE.

7. (6 points) Find and classify the discontinuities of $F(x) = \frac{x^2-4}{(x+3)(x-2)}$. Show work or explain your reasoning.

$$F(x) = \frac{(x-2)(x+2)}{(x+3)(x-2)} = \frac{x+2}{x+3}, \quad x \neq 2$$

F HAS A REMOVABLE DISCONT AT $x = 2$.

LIMIT EXISTS AT $x = 2$.

LIMIT IS $4/5$.

F HAS AN INFINITE DISCONT AT $x = -3$.

5 $\frac{\text{NON ZERO}}{\text{ZERO}}$ FORM AT $x = -3$.

8. (3 points) Given that $-x^2 \leq x^2 \cos \frac{1}{x} \leq x^2$ for $x \neq 0$, compute $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^2 \cos \frac{1}{x}$. Explain your reasoning.

$$\text{SINCE } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (-x^2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^2 = 0,$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^2 \cos \frac{1}{x} = 0 \text{ BY THE SQUEEZE THM.}$$

9. (2 points) Give an example of a rational function whose graph has a hole at $x = 1$ and a vertical asymptote at $x = -1$.

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

LIMIT EXISTS AT
 $x=1$, SO THE DISCONT.
 THERE IS REMOVABLE.

$-\infty/\infty$ FORM AT $x=-1$, SO
 DISCONT. THERE IS INFINITE.

10. (5 points) Determine whether each statement is true (T) or false (F).

(a) T If f is continuous at $x = c$, then f has a limit at $x = c$.

(b) F If f has a limit at $x = c$, then f is defined at $x = c$.

(c) F If f has a removable discontinuity at $x = 1$, then the limit at $x = 1$ does not exist.

(d) F If $f(5) = 3$, then $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} f(x) = 3$.

(e) F The limit of any basic trigonometric function can always be found by direct substitution.