

Math 157 - Quiz 2

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Name key

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Show all work to receive full credit. Supply explanations when necessary.

1. (3 points) Use a table of values to estimate the following limit. Your table must show functions values at six or more points.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 9} \frac{x^2 - 8x - 9}{\sqrt{x} - 3}$$

x	$\frac{x^2 - 8x - 9}{\sqrt{x} - 3}$
8.9	59.2345
8.99	59.9233
8.999	59.9923
8.9999	59.9992
9.001	60.0077
9.0001	60.0008

It looks like

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 9} \frac{x^2 - 8x - 9}{\sqrt{x} - 3} = \boxed{60}$$

2. (3 points) Use algebra to find the limit analytically.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -5} \frac{x^2 + 7x + 10}{x + 5}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -5} \frac{(x+5)(x+2)}{(x+5)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -5} (x+2) = \boxed{-3}$$

3. (4 points) Pregnant women metabolize some drugs at a slower rate than the rest of the population. The half-life of caffeine is about 4 hours for most people. In pregnant women, it is 10 hours. If a pregnant woman and her husband each have a cup of coffee containing 100 mg of caffeine at 8 am, how much caffeine does each have left in the body at 10 pm?

HUSBAND :

$$P(t) = 100e^{kt}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \text{ LIFE} = 4 \text{ Hrs}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} P_0 = P_0 e^{4k}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} = e^{4k}$$

$$\frac{\ln \frac{1}{2}}{4} = k$$

$$P(t) = 100e^{\frac{\ln \frac{1}{2}}{4} t}$$

$$\text{At } 10 \text{ pm, } t = 14$$

$$P(14) = 100e^{\frac{\ln \frac{1}{2}}{4} (14)}$$

$$\approx \boxed{8.84 \text{ mg}}$$

PREGNANT WOMAN :

$$P(t) = 100e^{kt}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \text{ LIFE} = 10 \text{ Hrs}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} P_0 = P_0 e^{10k}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} = e^{10k}$$

$$\frac{\ln \frac{1}{2}}{10} = k$$

$$P(t) = 100e^{\frac{\ln \frac{1}{2}}{10} t}$$

$$P(14) = 100e^{\frac{\ln \frac{1}{2}}{10} (14)}$$

$$\approx \boxed{37.89 \text{ mg}}$$