

Math 1431 – Section 17699

Homework 1 (10 points)

Due Thurs. 1/29 in Recitation

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Instructions:

- Print out this file and complete the problems.
- If the problem is from the text, the section number and problem number are in parentheses.
- Use a blue or black pen or a pencil (dark).
- Write your solutions in the spaces provided. You must show work in order to receive credit for a problem.
- Remember that your homework must be complete, neatly written and stapled.
- Submit the completed assignment to your Teaching Assistant in lab on the due date.

1. Find the following limits:

$$a. \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(3+h)^2 - 9}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(3+h)^2 - 3^2}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(3+h+3)(3+h-3)}{h}$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} \neq a^2 - b^2 \\ = (a+b)(a-b) \end{array} \right) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(6+h) \cdot h}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 6+h = 6.$$

$$b. \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x}{x^2 - 4} = \text{DNE}$$

As $x \rightarrow 2^+$, $x^2 - 4 \rightarrow$ A positive number which closed to 0

$x \rightarrow 2^-$, $x^2 - 4$ tends to a negative number which closed to 0

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{x}{x^2 - 4} = \infty \text{ (unbounded)} \text{ and } \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{x}{x^2 - 4} = -\infty \text{ (unbounded)} \Rightarrow \text{DNE}$$

$$c. \lim_{t \rightarrow -4} \left(\frac{3t}{t+4} + \frac{8}{t+4} \right) \text{ D.N.E.}$$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow -4} \frac{3t+8}{t+4}$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow -4^+} \frac{3t+8}{t+4} = -\infty \text{ (unbounded)}$$

$$\text{and } \lim_{t \rightarrow -4^-} \frac{3t+8}{t+4} = \infty \text{ (unbounded)}$$

\Rightarrow D.N.E.

2. (Section 1.3, Problem 6) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{6x^2 - 7x}{x} \right)$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x(6x-7)}{x}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} 6x - 7 = -7$$

3. (Section 1.3, Problem 12) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{6x^4 - 6}{2x - 2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{6(x^4 - 1)}{2(x-1)}$

* $\boxed{(x^4 - 1) = (x-1)(x^3 + x^2 + x + 1)}$

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

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} 3(x^3 + x^2 + x + 1) = 3 \cdot 4 = 12$$

4. (Section 1.3, Problem 16)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{1}{x-3} \text{ D.N.E.}$$

Since $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} \frac{1}{x-3} = \infty$ and (unbounded)

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} \frac{1}{x-3} = -\infty$ (unbounded)


$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{1}{x-3} \text{ D.N.E.}$$

5. (Section 1.3, Problem 18) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 8^+} \frac{\sqrt{x-8}}{x} = \frac{0}{8} = 0$

$x \rightarrow 8^+ \Rightarrow x > 8$ but pretty close to 8.

(It's well-defined to ask the value is nonnegative when we want to find the square root of this value)

6. (Section 1.3, Problem 20) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3} 6 = 6$

(Because 6 is a constant function: 

$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3x^3 + x + 6}{2x^2 - 3} = \infty$ since $\deg(3x^3 + x + 6) = 3 > 2 = \deg(2x^2 - 3)$

7. (Section 1.3, Problem 32)

~~Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3} f(x)$, given that $f(x) = \begin{cases} 6x & x < -3 \\ -18x & x > -3 \end{cases}$~~

~~$\lim_{x \rightarrow -3^+} f(x) = -18 \cdot (-3) = 54$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3^-} f(x) = 6 \cdot (-3) = -18$~~

~~Using the case " $x > -3$ " using the case " $x < -3$ "~~

~~Since $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3^+} f(x) \neq \lim_{x \rightarrow -3^-} f(x) \Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow -3} f(x)$ D.N.E.~~

8. (Section 1.3, Problem 34)

Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$, given that $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2, & x < 0 \\ x-1, & x > 0 \end{cases}$

$$\text{Check } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = 0 - 1 = -1 \text{ and } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = 0$$

\uparrow "x > 0" \uparrow "x < 0"

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) \neq \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x), \text{ so } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) \text{ D.N.E.}$$

9. (Section 1.3, Problem 40)

For $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x}{6} = \frac{1}{2}$, Given $\epsilon = 0.01$. Find max δ .

Let $f(x) = \frac{x}{6}$, $L = \frac{1}{2}$, $a = 3$, so by def. of limit,

$$\text{we have } |f(x) - L| < \epsilon \Rightarrow \left| \frac{x}{6} - \frac{1}{2} \right| < 0.01.$$

Try to find a δ s.t. $|x - 3| < \delta$.

$$\text{Since } \left| \frac{x}{6} - \frac{1}{2} \right| < 0.01 \Rightarrow |x - 3| < 0.06 \Rightarrow \delta_{\max} = 0.06.$$

10. (Section 1.3, Problem 43)

times "6" on both sides

$$\text{Given } f(x) = x^2 - 4x, \text{ find } \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{f(x) - f(1)}{x - 1} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^2 - 4x - (-3)}{x - 1}$$

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