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Section 1.5 Limits (2 classes to cover)

Limits are a concept useful in the development of Calculus (Diff. from Algebra)

Intuitive

What happens to $y = f(x)$ as x approaches zero.
 ex) $f(x) = \frac{x^3 + 1}{x + 1}$ Let's look at a table

x	-0.01	-0.001	0	.001	.01
$f(x)$			1		

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$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = L$
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As x gets closer to 0, $f(x)$ gets closer to 1.
 Limit Notation $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = 1$

If $m = L$
 then $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = L$

If $f(x)$ gets closer & closer to L as x gets closer & closer to c from both sides, then L is the limit of $f(x)$ as x approaches c .
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = L$

ex) Given $f(x) = \frac{x^3 + 1}{x + 1}$ Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} f(x)$ using a table

x	-1.01	-1.001	-1	-0.999	-0.99
$f(x)$	3.0301	3.003	X	2.997	2.9701

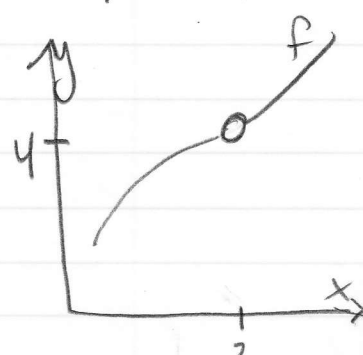
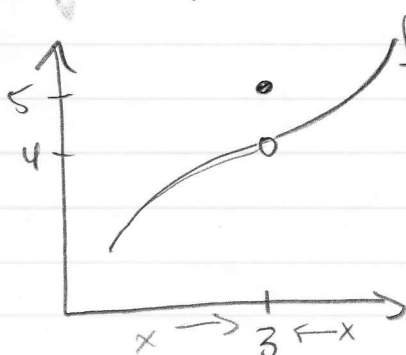
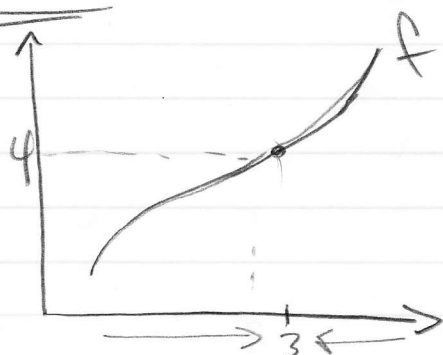
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} f(x) = 3$$

ex) $f(x) = x - \frac{1}{x}$ $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$

x	-0.01	-0.001	0	0.001	0.01
$f(x)$	11.0211	111.102	X	-111.11	-11.602

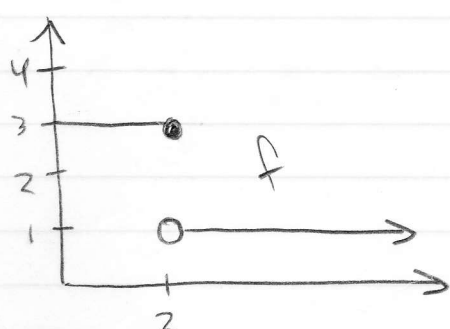
$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = \text{DNE}$

Limits near the point c , not at the point c .

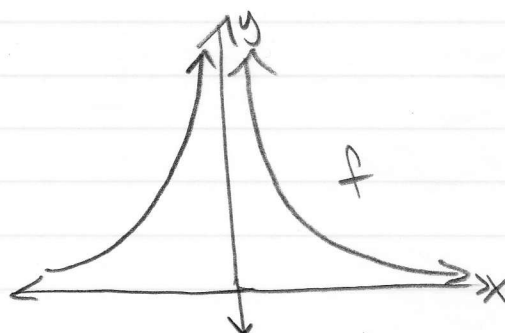


$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x) = 4$$

Limits that Do Not Exist (DNE)

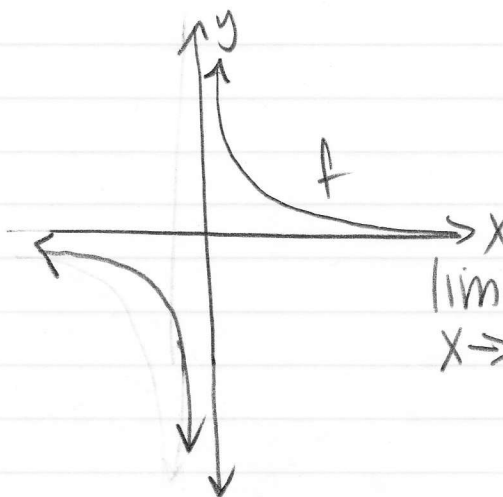


$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = \text{DNE}$$



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

The limit doesn't exist.



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

We can use tables/graphs or ...

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Rules

① If k is a constant

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} k = k$$

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

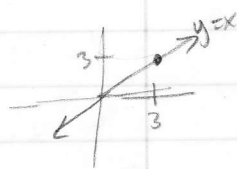
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} x = c$$



$$\text{ex. } \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} 3 = 3$$

ex. not yet

$$\text{ex. } \lim_{x \rightarrow 4} x = 4$$



$$\textcircled{2} \lim_{x \rightarrow c} [f(x) \pm g(x)] = A \pm B$$

(limit of sum is the sum of the limit)

$$\textcircled{3} \lim_{x \rightarrow c} [f(x) \cdot g(x)] = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) \lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x)$$

$$\text{ex) } \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} x(x-1) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} x \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} x-1$$

as $x \rightarrow 1$, $f(x) \rightarrow 0$ zero of $x(x-1)$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{4}{x} = \frac{\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} 4}{\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} x} = \frac{4}{5} = 2 \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} x - \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} 1 \right) = 2(2-1) = 2(1) = 2$$

$$\textcircled{4} \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$$

⑤ If $p(x)$ is a poly. just evaluate

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} p(x) = p(c)$$

$$\text{ex) } \lim_{x \rightarrow -2} x^2 + 3x + 1 = (-2)^2 + (3)(-2) + 1 = 4 - 6 + 1 = -2 + 1 = -1$$

once you plug value in, drop the limit.

⑥ For any $k \in \mathbb{R}$

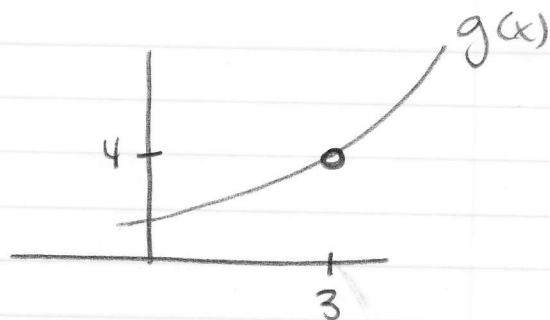
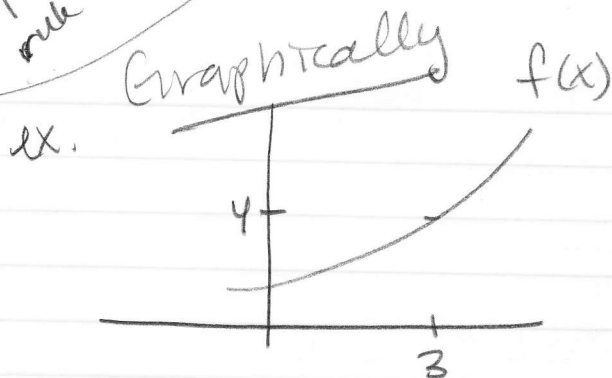
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} [f(x)]^k = \left[\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) \right]^k$$

provide A exists

$$\text{ex. } \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} (x^2 + 1)^2 = \left(\right)^2$$

OPTIONAL

$$\textcircled{7} \lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x) \text{ if } f(x) = g(x) \forall x \neq c$$



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

ex. Algebraically

If $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 4}{x - 2}$ & we want to know

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^2 - 4}{x - 2} \\ = \frac{(2)^2 - 4}{2 - 2} = \frac{0}{0} \end{aligned}$$

* Always try to plug it in.

But we can simplify $f(x)$ 1st:

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

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} x + 2 &= 2 + 2 \\ &= 4 \end{aligned}$$

This is like $g(x)$ in rule 7. We can take the limit of this "new" function and it will equal the limit of original $f(x)$.

We can do all of this inside the limit too.

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ex)

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^2 - 4}{x - 2} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{(x + 2)(x - 2)}{x - 2} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} x + 2 \\ &= 2 + 2 = 4 \end{aligned}$$

Carry lim. around until you plug the value in.

Limits of polynomials & Rationals

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(2) ex. Use properties of limits to evaluate.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} (3x^3 - 4x + 8)$$

Polynomial

$$= 3(-1)^3 - 4(-1) + 8$$

$$= 3(-1) + 4 + 8$$

$$= -3 + 12$$

$$\boxed{= 9}$$

Now let's ^{rules} verify by ^{using} example the other limits rules.

Same

Same problem

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} (3x^3 - 4x + 8)$$

$$x \rightarrow -1$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow -1} 3x^3 - \lim_{x \rightarrow -1} 4x + \lim_{x \rightarrow -1} 8 = 8$$

$$= 3 \lim_{x \rightarrow -1} x^3 - 4 \lim_{x \rightarrow -1} x + 8$$

$$= 3 \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} x \right)^3 - 4(-1) + 8$$

$$= 3(-1)^3 + 4 + 8$$

$$= 3(-1) + 4 + 8$$

$$= -3 + 4 + 8$$

$$= -3 + 12$$

$$\boxed{= 9}$$

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Extra Example.

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

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

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \sqrt{x+1}$$

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

$$= \frac{9 - 4}{\sqrt{3+1}}$$

$$= \frac{5}{\sqrt{4}}$$

$$= \frac{5}{2} \boxed{= \frac{5}{2}}$$

ex. Given $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = 3$ &

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} g(x) = 4,$$

Calculate

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} [f(x) + 5g(x)]$$

* Use limit rules

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) + \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} 5g(x)$$

$$= 3 + 5 \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} g(x)$$

$$= 3 + 5(4) = \boxed{23}$$

RationalsTechnique① Try to plug in $x=c$ ② Simplify by - Factoring - Get common denom & add.
- Mult. by conjugate

③ Then evaluate limit

$$\text{ex. } \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^2 - 4}{x - 2} = \frac{(2)^2 - 4}{2 - 2} = \frac{0}{0} \leftarrow \text{No good}$$

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

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

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} x + 5$$

$$= 5 + 5$$

$$= \boxed{10}$$

Check every step if you can
Plug it in!

extra example

$$\text{ex. } \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^2 + x - 6}{x - 2} =$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} x + 3 = 2 + 3 = \boxed{5}$$

$$\text{ex. } \lim_{x \rightarrow 9} \frac{\sqrt{x} - 3}{x - 9} \left(\frac{\sqrt{x} + 3}{\sqrt{x} + 3} \right)$$

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

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

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 9} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x} + 3}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{9} + 3}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3 + 3} = \boxed{\frac{1}{6}}$$

 $a + b \rightarrow a - b$
 mult. by conjugate
 (See with roots/complex)
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ex. Calculate the limit if given

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = 3 \quad \& \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} g(x) = 4$$

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Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} [f(x) + 5g(x)]$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) + 5 \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} g(x)$$

$$= 3 + 5(4)$$

$$= \boxed{23}$$

Limits at infinity

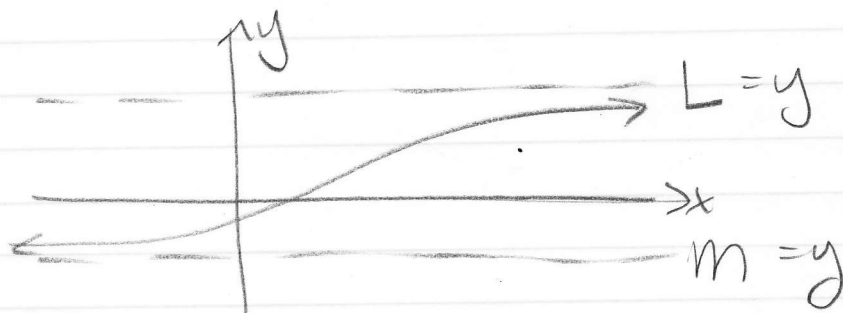
Long term behavior of graph

If $f(x)$ approaches L as x increases without bound, then

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

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

when $f(x)$ approaches m as x decreases without bound.



Reciprocal Power Rules

If A & k are constants & $k > 0$,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{A}{x^k} = 0$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{A}{x^k} = 0$$

$$\frac{\#}{\text{BIG}} = \text{SMALL}$$

$$\frac{\#}{\infty} = 0$$

Strategy to calculate limits at ∞ .

- ① Divide each term by the highest power of x that appears in the denom
- ② Use reciprocal power rules so that terms go to zero.

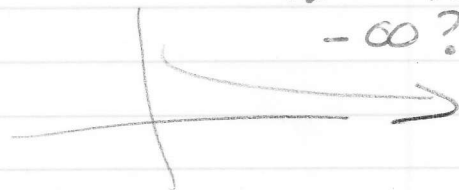
$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{ex. } \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1-3x^3}{2x^3-6x+2} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{x^3} - \frac{3x^3}{x^3}}{\frac{2x^3}{x^3} - \frac{6x}{x^3} + \frac{2}{x^3}} \\
 &= \frac{0-3}{2+0} = \boxed{-\frac{3}{2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{ex. } \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3x^2-6x+2}{2x-9} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{3x^2}{x} - \frac{6x}{x} + \frac{2}{x}}{\frac{2x}{x} - \frac{9}{x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3x-6+\frac{2}{x}}{2-\frac{9}{x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3x-6}{2} = \boxed{\infty}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{ex. } \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2+x-5}{1-2x-x^3} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{x^2}{x^3} + \frac{x}{x^3} - \frac{5}{x^3}}{\frac{1}{x^3} - \frac{2x}{x^3} - \frac{x^3}{x^3}} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{x^2} - \frac{5}{x^3}}{-1} \\
 &= \frac{0}{-1} = \boxed{0}
 \end{aligned}$$

ex. What about $-\infty \rightarrow -\infty$



Pre calc Review

Rational Functions / Asymptote

Given $\frac{x^m}{x^n}$, if

* $m > n$ No horizontal asymptotes

ex. $\frac{x^5}{x^4} = \textcircled{X} \rightarrow$

* $m = n$

ex. $\frac{a_1 x^3}{a_2 x^3} \Rightarrow$ horizontal asymptote
@ $y = \frac{a_1}{a_2}$

* $n > m$ There is a horiz. asymp. at $y=0$.

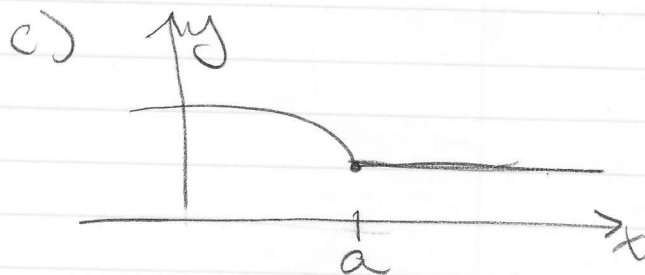
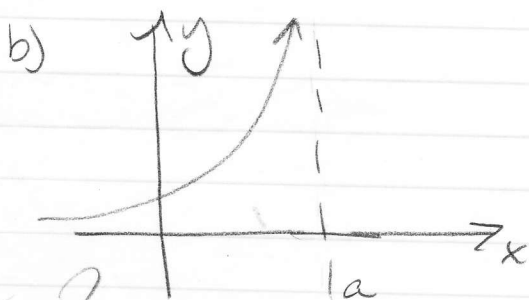
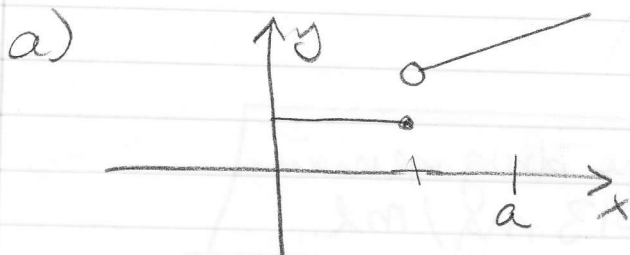
ex. $\frac{1}{x}$



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ex Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$ if it exists



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Applications

α. The concentration of drug in a patient's blood stream t hrs after injection is $C(t)$ milligrams per milliliter where

$$C(t) = \frac{0.4}{t^{1.2} + 1} + 0.013$$

Concentration after 1 hr?

a) What is the initial concentration of the drug ($t=0$)?

$$C(0) = 0.013$$

The concentration is 0.013 mg/ml.

b) By how much does the concentration change during the 5th hr? Increase/decrease?

$$C(5) - C(4) = \frac{0.4}{5^{1.2} + 1} + 0.013 - \frac{0.4}{4^{1.2} + 1} - 0.013$$

$$= -0.01307 \text{ decrease (sensible)}$$

c) What is the residual concentration? Amt in blood stream

in long run $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{0.4}{t^{1.2} + 1} + 0.013 = 0.4 \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{t^{1.2} + 1} + \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} 0.013 =$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} 0.4 \left(\frac{\frac{1}{t^{1/2}}}{\frac{1}{t^{1/2}} + \frac{1}{t^{1/2}}} \right) + 0.013$$

$$= 0.4(0) + 0.013$$

$$= 0.013$$

In the long run, the drug remains in system with 0.013 mg/ml.