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MCV4U TEST Limits, Rates of Change & Continuity

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KNOWLEDGE / UNDERSTANDING

1. Evaluate the following limits, if they exist. Show all steps of the algebraic solutions. State the exact values (NO DECIMALS!)

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a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{3}{x+2} - \frac{3}{2} \right]$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{x} \right) \left(\frac{3}{x+2} - \frac{3}{2} \right) \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{x} \left(\frac{3(2) - 3(x+2)}{(x+2)(2)} \right) \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{x} \left(\frac{6 - 3x - 6}{2(x+2)} \right) \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-3}{2(x+2)} \\ &= \frac{-3}{2(0+2)} = -\frac{3}{4} \end{aligned}$$

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c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt[3]{x+125} - 5}{x}$

as $x \rightarrow 0$, let $u = \sqrt[3]{x+125}$
 $u \rightarrow 5$
 $x = u^3 - 125$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \lim_{u \rightarrow 5} \frac{u - 5}{u^3 - 125} \\ &= \lim_{u \rightarrow 5} \frac{(u - 5)}{(u - 5)(u^2 + 5u + 25)} \\ &= \frac{1}{5^2 + 5(5) + 25} \\ &= \frac{1}{75} \end{aligned}$$

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e) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\frac{1}{2}} \frac{2x^3 + x^2 - 8x - 4}{8x^2 + 10x + 3}$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} -\frac{1}{2} & 2 & 1 & -8 & -4 \\ & \sqrt{-1} & 0 & 4 \\ \hline & 20 & -8 & 0 \\ & (2x+1)(x^2-4) \end{array}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow -\frac{1}{2}} \frac{x^2 - 4}{4x + 3} \\ &= \frac{(-\frac{1}{2})^2 - 4}{4(-\frac{1}{2}) + 3} \\ &= \frac{\frac{1}{4} - 4}{-\frac{1}{2} + 3} = -\frac{15}{4} \end{aligned}$$

$$= -\frac{15}{4} !$$

$$? \frac{4}{4} = -3$$

b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \left[\frac{2x^2 + x - 6}{2x^3 + 16} \right]$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \frac{(2x-3)(x+2)}{2(x^3+8)} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \frac{(2x-3)(x+2)}{2(x+2)(x^2+2x+4)} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{2(-2)-3}{2((-2)^2+2(-2)+4)} = \frac{-7}{2(4-4+4)} = -\frac{7}{8}$$

d) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{2x - \sqrt{x+14}}{x-2}$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{(2x - \sqrt{x+14})(2x + \sqrt{x+14})}{(x-2)(2x + \sqrt{x+14})}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{4x^2 - x - 14}{(x-2)(2x + \sqrt{x+14})}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{(4x+7)(x-2)}{(x-2)(2x + \sqrt{x+14})}$$

$$= \frac{4(2)+7}{2(2)+\sqrt{16}} = \frac{15}{8}$$

f) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{2}{3}} \frac{6x^2 - 5x - 6}{|6x - 9|}$

$$= \frac{6(\frac{2}{3})^2 - 5(\frac{2}{3}) - 6}{|6(\frac{2}{3}) - 9|}$$

$$= \frac{(\frac{4}{3}) - 5(\frac{2}{3}) - 6}{5}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{24}{9} - \frac{30}{9} - \frac{54}{9}}{5}$$

$$= \frac{-\frac{60}{9}}{5} = -\frac{20}{3} = -\frac{20}{3}$$

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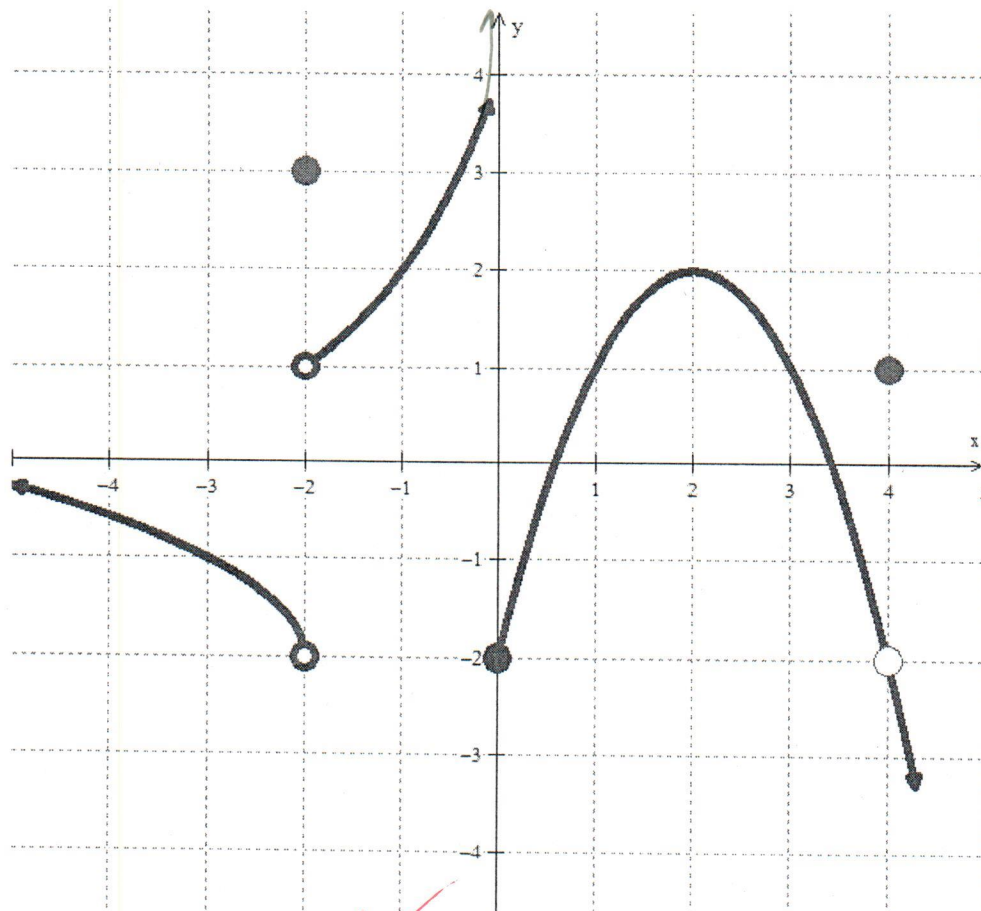
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APPLICATION

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2. Use the graph of the piece-wise function $y = f(x)$ shown below to answer the following questions.



(a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = -2$ ✓

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} f(x) = -2$ ✓

(c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^-} f(x) = -2$ ✓

(d) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = \infty$ (DNE) ✓

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

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

3. State the three conditions necessary for a function $f(x)$ to be continuous at $x = a$

$f(a)$ must be defined ✓

$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$ must exist ($\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x)$) ✓

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

Referring to the graph in #2, and your answer above, explain what **condition for continuity** has been violated when:

a) $x = -2$

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

$\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} f(x) \neq \lim_{x \rightarrow -2^-} f(x)$

since the left limit does not equal the right limit, the general limit does not exist. Therefore, the second condition is not met.

b) $x = 4$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) \neq f(a)$ ✓

$-2 \neq 1$

The general limit as x approaches a does not equal the value of the function when $x = a$. As such, the third rule is broken.

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4. In a particle physics experiment, an electrically charged particle is moving along a straight line in a controlled electromagnetic field. Its position, relative to the frame of reference, during a **10 second interval**, can be modelled by the function:

$$\mathbf{S(t) = t^3 - 4t^2 + 5t}, \quad \mathbf{t \in [0, 10]}$$

where **S** is measured in **millimetres** and **t** in **seconds**.

- a) Find the average velocity of the particle in the interval: $\mathbf{t \in [1, 5]}$
 b) Use the limit of the Difference Quotient when $\mathbf{h \rightarrow 0}$ to obtain the equation of the velocity function: $\mathbf{V(t) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{S(t+h) - S(t)}{h}}$
 c) Use **V(t)** to calculate the velocity when **t = 6** seconds.
 d) Are there any moments within the first 10 seconds, when the particle stops: $\mathbf{V(t) = 0}$?

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$$a) \text{ av} = \frac{s(5) - s(1)}{5 - 1}$$

$$\text{av} = \frac{5^3 - 4(5)^2 + 5(5) - (1^3 - 4(1)^2 + 5(1))}{5 - 1}$$

$$\text{av} = \frac{125 - 100 + 25 - 1 + 4 - 5}{4}$$

$$\text{av} = \frac{48}{4}$$

$$\boxed{\text{av} = 12 \text{ mm/s}}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \quad 0 \\ 1 \quad 1 \quad 1 \\ 1 \quad 2 \quad 1 \quad 2 \\ 1 \quad 3 \quad 3 \quad 1 \quad 3 \end{array}$$

$$-t^3 + 4t^2 - 5t$$

$$b) \quad v(t) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{S(t+h) - S(t)}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(t+h)^3 - 4(t+h)^2 + 5(t+h) - (t^3 - 4t^2 + 5t)}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{t^3 + 3t^2h + 3th^2 + h^3 - 4(t^2 + 2th + h^2) + 5t + 5h - t^3 + 4t^2 - 5t}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{3t^2h + 3th^2 + h^3 - 4t^2h - 8th - 4h^2 + 5h}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{3t^2h + 3th^2 + h^3 - 4t^2h - 8th - 4h^2 + 5h}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 3t^2 + 3th + h^2 - 4t^2 - 8t - 4h + 5$$

$$\boxed{v(t) = 3t^2 - 8t + 5}$$

$$c) \quad v(6) = 3(6)^2 - 8(6) + 5$$

$$\boxed{v(6) = 65 \text{ mm/s}}$$

$$d) \quad v(t) = 0$$

$$0 = 3t^2 - 8t + 5$$

$$0 = (t-1)(3t-5)$$

$$t-1=0 \quad \text{or} \quad 0=3t-5$$

$$\boxed{t=1} \quad \text{or} \quad \boxed{t=\frac{5}{3}}$$

so the particle comes to rest at $t=1$ s and $t=\frac{5}{3}$ s

5. Find the values for **a** and **b**, so that **f(x)** is continuous for all real values of **x**

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$$f(x) = \begin{cases} ax-b, & \text{if } x < -2 \\ 2x^2+bx-14, & \text{if } -2 \leq x \leq 3 \\ ax+b, & \text{if } x > 3 \end{cases}$$

when $x = -2$,

$$ax-b = 2x^2+bx-14$$

$$-2a-b = 2(-2)^2-2b-14$$

$$-2a-b = -6$$

$$-2a+b = -6$$

$$b = 2a-6$$

$$b = 2(8)-6$$

$$b = 10$$

so $a = 8, b = 10$

when $x = 3$,

$$2x^2+bx-14 = ax+b$$

$$18+3b-14 = 3a+b$$

$$2b+4 = 3a$$

$$2(2a-6)+4 = 3a$$

$$4a-12+4 = 3a$$

$$a-12+4 = 0$$

$$a-8 = 0$$

$$a = 8$$

6. Find an equation of the tangent line to the curve $f(x) = \sqrt{4x+1}$ at $x = 6$

Write the equation in **standard form**.

$f(6) = 5$

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$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{4(6+h)+1} - \sqrt{4(6)+1}}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{25+4h} - 5}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(\sqrt{25+4h} - 5)(\sqrt{25+4h} + 5)}{h(\sqrt{25+4h} + 5)}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{25+4h-25}{h(\sqrt{25+4h} + 5)}$$

$$= \frac{4}{\sqrt{25+4(0)} + 5}$$

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

$$= \frac{4}{10} = \frac{2}{5}$$

slope

$$y = \frac{2}{5}x + b$$

$$5 = \frac{2}{5}(6) + b$$

$$5 = \frac{12}{5} + b$$

$$b = \frac{25}{5} - \frac{12}{5}$$

$$b = \frac{13}{5}$$

$$y = \frac{2}{5}x + \frac{13}{5}$$

$$0 = \frac{2}{5}x + \frac{13}{5} - y$$

$2x - 5y + 13 = 0$ ← standard Form

$y = mx + b$ Form

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