

Tutorial 2

1. Find the limits for the following,

(a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\sqrt{x^2 + 3x} - \sqrt{x^2 - 2x})$

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\sqrt{x^2 + x} - \sqrt{x^2 - x})$

2. Use formal definitions to prove that,

(a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{|x|} = \infty$

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{1}{1-x^2} = \infty$

3. Find the oblique asymptotes of,

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

(b) $f(x) = \frac{x^3+1}{x^2}$

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$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x, & \text{if } x \text{ is rational} \\ 0, & \text{if } x \text{ is irrational} \end{cases}$$

- (a) Show that f is continuous at $x = 0$.

- (b) Also show that f is not continuous at any other real number.

5. Which of the following statements are **true** and which are **false**?
If true state why, and if false provide a counter-example.

- (a) If $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$ exists but $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)$ does not exist, then $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} (f(x) + g(x))$ does not exist.

- (b) If neither $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$, nor $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)$ exists, then $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} (f(x) + g(x))$ does not exist.

- (c) If f is continuous at x , then so is $|f|$.

- (d) If $|f|$ is continuous at x , then so is f .

6. Identify the *horizontal*, *vertical* and *oblique* asymptotes for the graph of the following functions,

(a) $f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{5x^2+7}}{2x+3}$

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

7. For the following functions classify each discontinuity as a *removable discontinuity*, a *jump discontinuity* or an *infinite discontinuity*,

(a) $f(x) = \frac{16-x^2}{x+4}$

(b) $f(x) = \frac{x+12}{x^2-9}$

(c) $f(x) = \frac{x^3-27}{|x-3|}$

8. Determine the value of **a** so that $f(x) = \frac{x^2+ax+5}{x+1}$ has an oblique asymptote $y = x + 3$.