

## 1.4 Continuity and One-Sided Limits

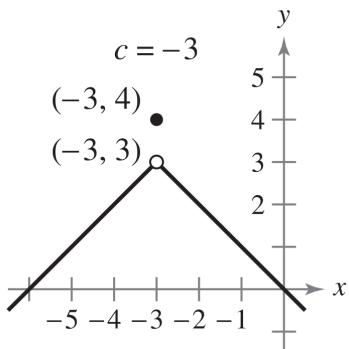
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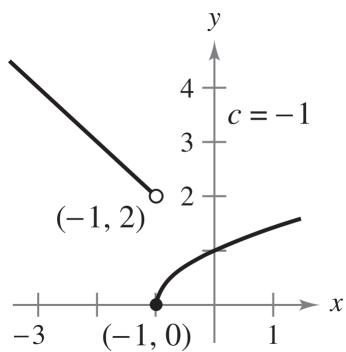
### 1.4.1 Question 4

*Use the graph to determine the limit and discuss the continuity of the function:*



### 1.4.2 Question 6

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**1.4.3 Question 12**

*Find the limit if it exists. If it does not exist, explain why.*

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

**1.4.4 Question 18**

*Find the limit if it exists. If it does not exist, explain why.*

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x), \text{ where } f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 - 4x + 6, & x < 2 \\ -x^2 + 4x - 2, & x \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

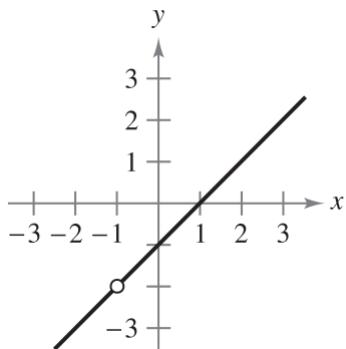
**1.4.5 Question 24**

*Find the limit if it exists. If it does not exist, explain why.*

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} (2x - \llbracket x \rrbracket)$$

**1.4.6 Question 28**

*Discuss the continuity of each function.:  $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 1}{x + 1}$*



**1.4.7 Question 36**

Find the x-values (if any) at which  $f$  is not continuous. Which of the discontinuities are removable?

$$f(x) = \frac{3}{x - 2}$$

**1.4.8 Question 44**

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

**1.4.9 Question 50**

Find the x-values (if any) at which  $f$  is not continuous. Which of the discontinuities are removable?

$$f(x) = \frac{|x - 8|}{x - 8}$$

**1.4.10 Question 52**

Find the x-values (if any) at which  $f$  is not continuous. Which of the discontinuities are removable?

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -2x + 3, & x < 1 \\ x^2, & x \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

**1.4.11 Question 54**

Find the x-values (if any) at which  $f$  is not continuous. Which of the discontinuities are removable?

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -2x, & x \leq 2 \\ x^2 - 4x + 1, & x > 2 \end{cases}$$

**1.4.12 Question 64**

*Find the constant(s)  $a$  and/or  $b$  such that the function is continuous on the entire real line*

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 3x^3, & x \leq 1 \\ ax + 5, & x > 1 \end{cases}$$

**1.4.13 Question 66**

*Find the constant(s) a and/or b such that the function is continuous on the entire real line*

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{4 \sin x}{x}, & x < 0 \\ a - 2x, & x \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

**1.4.14 Question 68**

*Find the constant(s) a and/or b such that the function is continuous on the entire real line*

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2 - a^2}{x - a}, & x \neq a \\ 8, & x = a \end{cases}$$

**1.4.15 Question 70**

*Discuss the continuity of the composite function  $h(x) = f(g(x))$ .*

$$\begin{aligned}f(x) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \\g(x) &= x - 1\end{aligned}$$

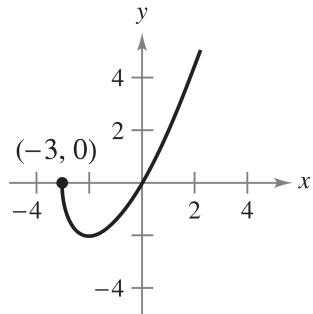
**1.4.16 Question 72**

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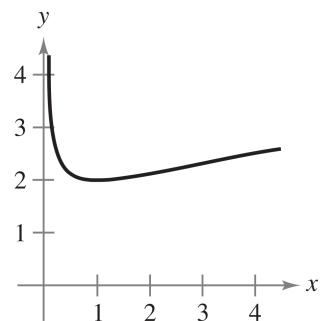
$$\begin{aligned}f(x) &= \sin x \\g(x) &= x^2\end{aligned}$$

**1.4.17 Question 78**

Describe the interval(s) on which the function is continuous.  $f(x) = x\sqrt{x+3}$

**1.4.18 Question 80**

Describe the interval(s) on which the function is continuous.  $f(x) = \frac{x+1}{\sqrt{x}}$



**1.4.19 Question 82**

*Use a graphing utility to graph the function on the interval  $[-4, 4]$ . Does the graph of the function appear to be continuous on the interval? Is the function continuous on  $[-4, 4]$ ? Write a short paragraph about the importance of examining a function analytically as well as graphically.*

$$f(x) = \frac{x^3 - 8}{x - 2}$$

**1.4.20 Question 84**

*Explain why the function has a zero in the given interval.*

$$f(x) = x^3 + 5x - 3, \text{ Interval } [0, 1]$$

**1.4.21 Question 90**

*Use the Intermediate Value Theorem and a graphing utility to approximate the zero of the function in the interval [0, 1]. Repeatedly "zoom in" on the graph of the function to approximate the zero accurate to two decimal places. Use the zero or root feature of the graphing utility to approximate the zero accurate to four decimal places.*

$$h(\theta) = 1 + \theta - 3 \tan \theta$$

**1.4.22 Question 94**

*Verify that the Intermediate Value Theorem applies to the indicated interval and find the value of  $c$  guaranteed by the theorem*

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2 + x}{x - 1}, \left[ \frac{5}{2}, 4 \right], f(x) = 6$$

**1.4.23 Question 96**

*Sketch the graph of any function  $f$  such that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} f(x) = 1$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} f(x) = 0$ . Is the function continuous at  $x = 3$ ? Explain.*

**1.4.24 Question 98**

*Describe the difference between a discontinuity that is removable and one that is nonremovable. In your explanation, give examples of the following descriptions.*

- (a) A function with a nonremovable discontinuity at  $x = 4$
- (b) A function with a removable discontinuity at  $x = -4$
- (c) A function that has both of the characteristics described in parts (a) and (b)

**1.4.25 Question 100**

**True or False?** Determine whether the statement is true or false. If false, explain why or give an example that shows it is false.

If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = L$  and  $f(c) = L$ , then  $f$  is continuous at  $c$ .

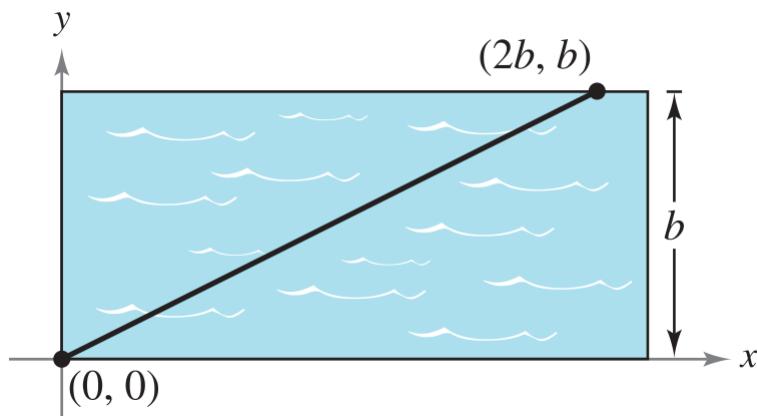
**1.4.26 Question 102**

**True or False?** Determine whether the statement is true or false. If false, explain why or give an example that shows it is false.

If  $f(x) = g(x)$  for  $x \neq c$  and  $f(c) \neq g(c)$ , then either  $f$  or  $g$  is not continuous at  $c$ .

**1.4.27 Question 114**

A swimmer crosses a pool of width  $b$  by swimming in a straight line from  $(0, 0)$  to  $(2b, b)$ .



- Let  $f$  be a function defined as the  $y$ -coordinate of the point on the long side of the pool that is nearest the swimmer at any given time during the swimmer's crossing of the pool. Determine the function  $f$  and sketch its graph. Is  $f$  continuous? Explain.
- Let  $g$  be the minimum distance between the swimmer and the long sides of the pool. Determine the function  $g$  and sketch its graph. Is  $g$  continuous? Explain.