

**Name:****Tutorial time:**

1. Evaluate the following limits:

(a)

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

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}
\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan \theta}{\sin \theta + 2\theta} &= \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{\theta}(\tan \theta)}{\frac{1}{\theta}(\sin \theta + 2\theta)} \\
&= \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\left(\frac{\sin \theta}{\theta}\right) \frac{1}{\cos \theta}}{\frac{\sin \theta}{\theta} + 2} \\
&= \frac{\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\sin \theta}{\theta}\right) \frac{1}{\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \cos \theta}}{\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\sin \theta}{\theta}\right) + 2} \\
&= \frac{1(1)}{1+2} = \frac{1}{3}.
\end{aligned}$$

(c)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^2 \cos\left(\frac{1}{x^2}\right)$  (Hint: squeeze theorem)Since  $-1 \leq \cos(1/x^2) \leq 1$  for all  $x \neq 0$ , it follows that

$$-x^2 \leq x^2 \cos(1/x^2) \leq x^2$$

for all  $x \neq 0$ . Since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (-x^2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (x^2) = 0$ , it follows from the squeeze theorem that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^2 \cos(1/x^2) = 0$ .(d)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{x^2 - 9}{x^2 - 4}$ .

Since the denominator is zero at  $x = 2$  but the numerator is not, we must have a vertical asymptote at  $x = 2$ . We note that  $\frac{x^2 - 9}{x^2 - 4} = \frac{(x-3)(x+3)}{(x-2)(x+2)}$  is negative for  $2 < x < 3$ . (Verify using a sign diagram.) It follows that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{x^2 - 9}{x^2 - 4} = -\infty.$$

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

(a) What is the horizontal asymptote for the graph  $y = f(x)$ ?

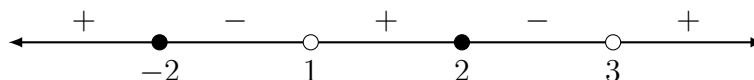
The highest power of  $x$  top and bottom is 2, and both  $x^2$  terms have a coefficient of 1, so there is a horizontal asymptote at  $y = 1$ .

(b) What are the vertical asymptotes for the graph  $y = f(x)$ ?

The denominator  $x^2 - 4x + 3 = (x - 1)(x - 3)$  is equal zero for  $x = 1$  and  $x = 3$ . Since the numerator is non-zero at both of these values, both  $x = 1$  and  $x = 3$  are vertical asymptotes.

(c) What are the left and right-hand limits of  $f(x)$  at each vertical asymptote?

From the sign diagram



we can read off the desired limits:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x) = -\infty, \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x) = \infty, \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} f(x) = -\infty, \text{ and } \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} f(x) = \infty.$$

3. Find and classify the discontinuities of  $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2+2x+1}{x+1}, & \text{if } x \leq 0 \\ \frac{1}{x-2}, & \text{if } x > 0 \end{cases}$

We note that  $\frac{x^2+2x+1}{x+1} = \frac{(x+1)^2}{x+1} = x+1$  for  $x \neq -1$ . Thus  $f(-1)$  is undefined, but the limit at  $-1$  exists, so there is a removable discontinuity at  $x = -1$ . Since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = \frac{0^2+2(0)+1}{0+1} = 1$  but  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = \frac{1}{0-2} = -\frac{1}{2}$ , there is a jump discontinuity at  $x = 0$ . Finally, we can easily see that there is a vertical asymptote at  $x = 2$ , so there is an infinite discontinuity at this point.

4. Using the **definition** of the derivative, find the equation of the tangent line to  $y = x^2 + 1$  at the point  $(1, 2)$ .

By definition, for  $f(x) = x^2 + 1$  we have:

$$f'(1) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{((1+h)^2 + 1) - (1^2 + 1)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 + 2h + h^2 + 1 - 2}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} (2 + h) = 2.$$

Since  $f'(1)$  gives the slope of the tangent line at  $x = 1$ , we have the equation  $y - 2 = 2(x - 1)$ , or  $y = 2x$ , for the tangent line.