

Review Unit 1: Limits and Continuity

SHOW ALL WORK!

On the test, you will be required to show all of your work. **This review is not comprehensive.** Please look back over your notes, your homework, and your quizzes to help you study for the test. **This review will count as part of your grade!**

Topics to study:

1. Limits graphically and numerically (using a table)
2. Limit Properties
3. Techniques for finding limits
 - a. Trigonometry special limits
 - b. factoring
 - c. conjugate
 - d. least common denominator
4. Infinite limits and vertical asymptotes
5. Limits at infinity and horizontal asymptotes
6. Continuity
 - a. definition
 - b. problems using continuity
7. Intermediate Value Theorem

Use the graphs to find each limit, if it exists for problems 1-10.

1. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} (f(x) + g(x))$

6. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} g(x)$

2. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$

7. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$

3. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \sqrt{3 + f(x)}$

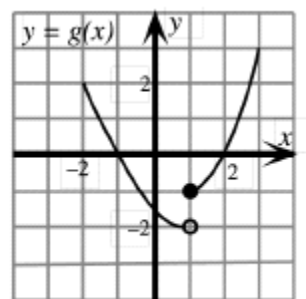
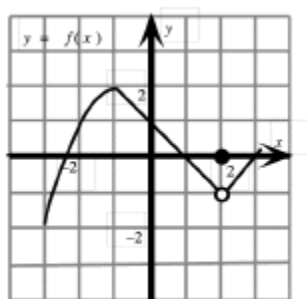
8. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(g(x))$

4. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} x^3 f(x)$

9. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} 2f(x)g(x)$

5. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} g(x)$

10. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x)$



Find each limit, if it exists.

Add a basic substitution

11. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 27} \sqrt[3]{x^2}$

12. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$ if $f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x^2 - 3x, & x < 0 \\ x, & x = 0 \\ x - 3, & x \geq 0 \end{cases}$

13. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(3x)}{x}$

14. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \sec\left(\frac{\pi x}{3}\right)$

15. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2x + \sin 3x}{x}$

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

17. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \frac{x^2 - 4x - 12}{x^2 - 4}$

18. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x - \sin x \cos x}{3x^2}$

19. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} (x-6)^{2/3}$

20. Sketch a graph for each function and find all vertical asymptotes. Using the calculus definition, how do you know these are the vertical asymptotes?

(A) $g(x) = \frac{3}{3x-6}$

(B) $g(x) = \frac{-1}{(x+2)^2}$

(C) $g(x) = \frac{x^2 + 5x - 24}{2x^2 - 5x - 3}$
(no graph needed for part c)

21. Calculator allowed. Sketch the graph from your calculator.

(A) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi^+} \cot x =$

(B) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}^-} \sec x =$

22. (A) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3x^2 - x + 5}{x^2 - 4}$

(B) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{3x^2 - x + 5}{x^2 - 4}$

(C) identify all horizontal asymptotes, if any for $f(x) = \frac{3x^2 - x + 5}{x^2 - 4}$

23. (A) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{6x^3 - 4x + 8}{x^2 - 5}$

(B) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{6x^3 - 4x + 8}{x^2 - 5}$

(C) identify all horizontal asymptotes, if any for $g(x) = \frac{6x^3 - 4x + 8}{x^2 - 5}$

24. (A) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4x^2 + 6x + 1}{x^3 - 4}$

(B) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{4x^2 + 6x + 1}{x^3 - 4}$

(C) identify all horizontal asymptotes, if any for $g(x) = \frac{4x^2 + 6x + 1}{x^3 - 4}$

25. (A) Explain what it means to say that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x) = 3 \text{ and } \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x) = 7.$$

(B) In this situation, it is possible that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x)$ exists?

Use the graph of $g(x)$ to answer the following questions.

26. (A) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1^-} g(x) =$

(B) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1^+} g(x) =$

(C) $g(-1) =$

(D) Is g continuous at $x = -1$? Explain why or why not.

27. (A) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} g(x) =$

(B) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} g(x) =$

(C) $g(3) =$

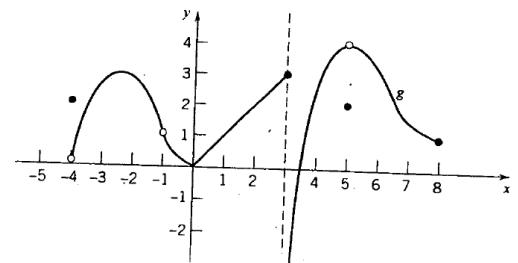
(D) Is g continuous at $x = 3$? Explain why or why not.

28. (A) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5^-} g(x) =$

(B) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5^+} g(x) =$

(C) $g(5) =$

(D) Is g continuous at $x = 5$? Explain why or why not.



For problems 29-31, determine the value of a , b or c such that each function is continuous on $(-\infty, \infty)$

29. $f(x) = \begin{cases} 3x - 2, & x < 5 \\ x^2 + c, & x \geq 5 \end{cases}$

30. $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 - 1, & x < 3 \\ 2cx, & 3 \leq x \leq 6 \\ a(x-1)^2 - 4, & x > 6 \end{cases}$

31. $f(x) = \begin{cases} ax + 3, & x > 5 \\ 8, & x = 5 \\ x^2 + bx + 1, & x < 5 \end{cases}$

32. Find all horizontal asymptotes for the function $f(x) = \frac{4 - 7^x}{1 + 7^x}$.

33. If the function f is continuous for all real numbers and if $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 11x - 42}{x + 3}$ when $x \neq -3$, then find the value of $f(-3)$.

x	4.75	4.9	4.99	4.999	5	5.001	5.01	5.1	5.25
f(x)	-2.5	-2.75	-2.92	-2.98	Undefined	-3.02	-3.03	-3.25	-3.5

34. Using the table, find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} f(x)$.

35. Let f be a function defined by $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 - 2x, & \text{for } x \leq 6 \\ 2x + 12, & \text{for } x > 6 \end{cases}$. Show that f is continuous at $x = 6$.

36. A function f is continuous on $-2 \leq x \leq 2$ and some of the values of f are shown in the table.

x	-2	0	2
f(x)	3	b	4

If f has only one zero, z , on the closed interval $-2 \leq x \leq 2$ and $z \neq 0$, then a possible value of b is

(A) -3 (B) -2 (C) -1 (D) 0 (E) 1

37. The rate, in calories per minute, at which a person using an exercise machine burns calories is modeled by the function f , where t is in minutes and $f(t)$ is given in calories per minute. Selected values of f are given in the table.

t (minutes)	0	4	12	16	20	24
$f(t)$ Calories per minute	0	9	7	15	15	3

Is there a time t , $12 \leq t \leq 16$, at which $f(t) = 10$? Justify your answer.