



Exercise 12.3



Q1. A substance decays exponentially following the formula $A(t) = A_0 e^{-0.1t}$, where A_0 is the initial amount. Find the limit of $A(t)$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$.

Sol:
$$A(t) = A_0 e^{-0.1t} = A_0 \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{e^{0.1t}} \right)$$

$$= A_0 \cdot \frac{1}{e^\infty} = \frac{1}{\infty} = A_0(0) = 0$$

Q2. A town's population is modeled by $P(t) = \frac{100000}{1 + 9e^{-0.5t}}$. what is the long-term population as $t \rightarrow \infty$.

Sol:
$$P(t) = \frac{100000}{1 + 9e^{-0.5t}}$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} P(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{100000}{1 + 9e^{-0.5t}}$$

$$= \frac{100000}{1 + \frac{9}{e^\infty}} = \frac{100000}{1 + 0} = 100000$$

Q3. A company's weekly sales (in thousands) follow the functions $S(t) = \frac{500t}{t+10}$. what is the limit of $S(t)$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$ and what does it represent?

Sol:
$$S(t) = \frac{500t}{t+10}$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} S(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{500t}{t+10}$$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{500 \cancel{t}}{\cancel{t} \left(1 + \frac{10}{t} \right)} = \left(\frac{500}{1 + \frac{10}{\infty}} \right) = \frac{500}{1+0} = 500$$

Q4. Signal strength $S(d)$ at a distance d from a tower modeled as $S(d) = \frac{1000}{d^2}$.

i. what is the signal at $d = 10$?

Sol:
$$S(10) = \frac{1000}{(10)^2} = \frac{1000}{100} = 10$$



ii. What happens to signal strength as $d \rightarrow \infty$?

Sol: $\lim_{d \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1000}{d^2} = \frac{1000}{\infty^2} = \frac{1000}{\infty} = 0$

Q5. A stock price grows according to the function

$$P(t) = 50e^{0.05t}$$

i. Find the limit of $P(t)$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$

Sol: $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} P(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} 50e^{0.05t} = 50e^{\infty} = \infty$

ii. Calculate the price of ten 10 years.

Put $t = 10$

Sol: $P(10) = 50e^{0.05(10)} = 82.44$

Q6. The factory's cost function is given as:

$$C(x) = \begin{cases} 10x + 500 & \text{if } x \leq 100 \\ 12x + 300 & \text{if } x > 100 \end{cases}$$

In the cost function continuous at $x = 100$?

Sol: $C(x) = \begin{cases} 10x + 500 & \text{if } x \leq 100 \\ 12x + 300 & \text{if } x > 100 \end{cases}$

$$C(100) = 10(100) + 500 = (1000 + 500) = 1500$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{L.H.L} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 100^-} f(x) \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 100^-} (10x + 500) \\ &= 10(100) + 500 = 1000 + 500 = 1500 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{R.H.L} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 100^+} C(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 100^+} (12x + 300) \\ &= 12(100) + 300 = 1200 + 300 = 1500 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 100} C(x) = C(100)$$

$\Rightarrow C(x)$ is continuous at $x = 100$

Q7. Inflation is modeled by $I(t) = I_0 e^{0.03t}$, where I_0 is the initial price index and t is the number of years

i. Find the inflation rate after 5 years if $I_0 = 100$

Sol: Inflation rate after 5 years if $I_0 = 100$

$$I_0 = 100 \quad t = 5$$

$$I(5) = 100e^{0.03(5)} = (100)(1.11618) = 116.18$$

$$\text{Inflation Rate} = \left(\frac{I - I_0}{I_0} \right) \times 100\%$$

$$= \left(\frac{116.18 - 100}{100} \right) \times 100\% = 16.15\%$$

ii. What is the expected price index after 10 years

Sol: Expected Price index after 10 years

$$I(10) = 100e^{0.03(10)} = 134.99$$

Q8. The cost to produce x units is:

$$C(x) = \begin{cases} 5x + 20 & \text{if } x \leq 10 \\ 6x + 10 & \text{if } x > 10 \end{cases}$$

If the cost function at $x = 10$?

Sol: $C(x) = \begin{cases} 5x + 20 & \text{if } x \leq 10 \\ 6x + 10 & \text{if } x > 10 \end{cases}$

$$C(10) = 5(10) + 20 = 50 + 20 = 70$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{L.H.L} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 10^-} C(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 10^-} (5x + 20) \\ &= 5(10) + 20 = 50 + 20 = 70 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{R.H.L} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 10^+} C(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 10^+} (6x + 10) \\ &= 6(10) + 10 = 60 + 10 = 70 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 10} C(x) = C(10)$$

$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 10} C(x)$ is continuous at $x = 10$