

# Review of Limits Worksheet Solutions

1a) Step 1: Find  $\delta$   $|f(x) - L| = |7 - 3x - (-5)| = |12 - 3x| < \epsilon \Rightarrow$   
 $3|4 - x| < \epsilon \Rightarrow |x - 4| < \frac{\epsilon}{3} \Rightarrow \delta = \frac{\epsilon}{3}$

Step 2: State the proof using the definition of a limit

For any  $\epsilon > 0$  there is  $\delta = \frac{\epsilon}{3} > 0$  so that if

$$|x - 4| < \delta = \frac{\epsilon}{3} \Rightarrow |3x - 12| < \epsilon \Rightarrow |12 - 3x| < \epsilon \Rightarrow$$

$$|7 - 3x - (-5)| < \epsilon \Rightarrow |f(x) - L| < \epsilon \quad \blacksquare$$

1b) Step 1: Find  $\delta$   $|f(x) - L| = \left| \frac{x^2 + x - 12}{x - 3} - 7 \right| = \left| \frac{x^2 + x - 12 - 7(x - 3)}{x - 3} \right|$   
 $= \left| \frac{x^2 - 6x + 9}{x - 3} \right| < \epsilon \Rightarrow |x - 3| < \epsilon \Rightarrow \delta = \epsilon$

Step 2: State the proof using the definition of a limit

For any  $\epsilon > 0$  there is a  $\delta = \epsilon > 0$  so that if  $|x - 3| < \delta = \epsilon$

$$\Rightarrow \left| \frac{(x-3)^2}{(x-3)} \right| < \epsilon \Rightarrow \left| \frac{x^2 - 6x + 9}{x - 3} \right| < \epsilon \Rightarrow \left| \frac{x^2 + x - 12}{x - 3} - 7 \right| < \epsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow |f(x) - L| < \epsilon \quad \blacksquare$$

2a) since the  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = 0 \Rightarrow$  limit does not exist

2b)  $\frac{3 \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)}{\lim_{x \rightarrow a} h(x) - \lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)} = \frac{3(-3)}{8 - 0} = \frac{-9}{8}$  by Limit Laws

3) Try direct substitution  
 $(-1)^2 + 1)^3 (-1+3)^5 = (2)^3 (2)^5 = 2^8 = 256$

4) Try direct substitution  
 $\frac{8}{0} \Rightarrow \text{lim does not exist}$

5) Try direct substitution:  $\frac{0}{0}$  (must work harder)  
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow -4} \frac{\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{x}}{4+x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -4} \frac{\frac{x+4}{4x}}{4+x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -4} \frac{1}{4x} = -\frac{1}{16}$

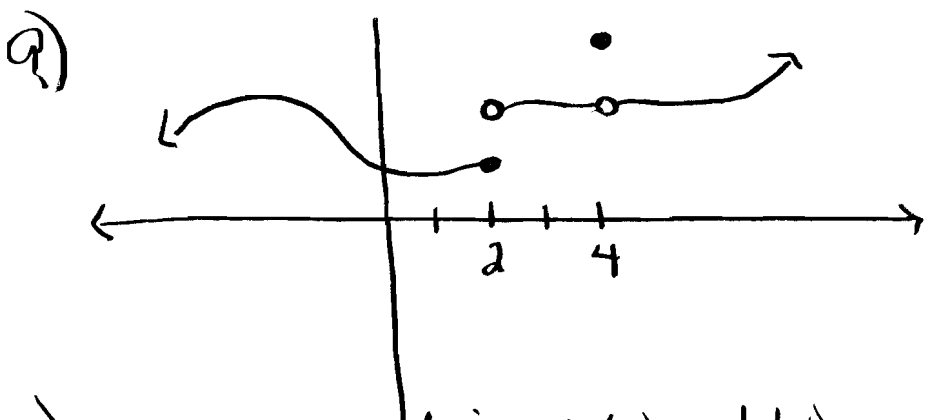
6)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} 2x = 2$  by direct substitution  $\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} g(x) = 2$   
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} x^4 - x + 2 = 2$  by direct substitution by squeeze thm.

7)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -6} \frac{2x+12}{|x+6|} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -6} \frac{2(x+6)}{|x+6|}$  does not exist

$\frac{2(x+6)}{|x+6|} = \begin{cases} \frac{2(x+6)}{x+6} & x > -6 \\ \frac{2(x+6)}{-(x+6)} & x < -6 \end{cases}$  } This is a case where you want to investigate right hand vs. left hand limits

$\lim_{x \rightarrow -6^-} \frac{2(x+6)}{-(x+6)} = -2 \neq \lim_{x \rightarrow -6^+} \frac{2(x+6)}{(x+6)} = 2$

8)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 4x}{\sin 6x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x \sin 4x}{x \sin 6x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x}{\sin 6x} \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 4x}{x}$   
 $= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{6x}{6 \sin 6x} \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{4 \sin 4x}{4x} = \frac{1}{6} \cdot 4 = \frac{4}{6} = \frac{2}{3}$



(there are many examples here)

10.) Must show  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} f(x) = f(4)$

①  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} x^2 + \sqrt{7-x} = 16 + \sqrt{3}$  by direct substitution ✓

②  $f(4) = 16 + \sqrt{3}$  ✓ and ③  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} f(x) = f(4)$  therefore

$f(x)$  is continuous at  $a = 4$ .

1.) ①  $f(1) = 1$  so  $f(1)$  is defined ✓

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x) = 1 \neq \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x) = 0 \Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x)$  d.n.e. ✗

2.) Discontinuous at  $x=0$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = 0 \neq \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = 2 \Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$  d.n.e.

Discontinuous at  $x=1$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x) = 1 \neq \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x) = 2 \Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x)$  d.n.e.

Continuous from the left of  $x=1$

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

12 cont) Discontinuous from the right of  $x=1$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x) = 1 \neq f(1) = 2$$

Discontinuous from the left of  $x=0$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = 2 \neq f(0) = 0$$

Continuous from the right of  $x=0$

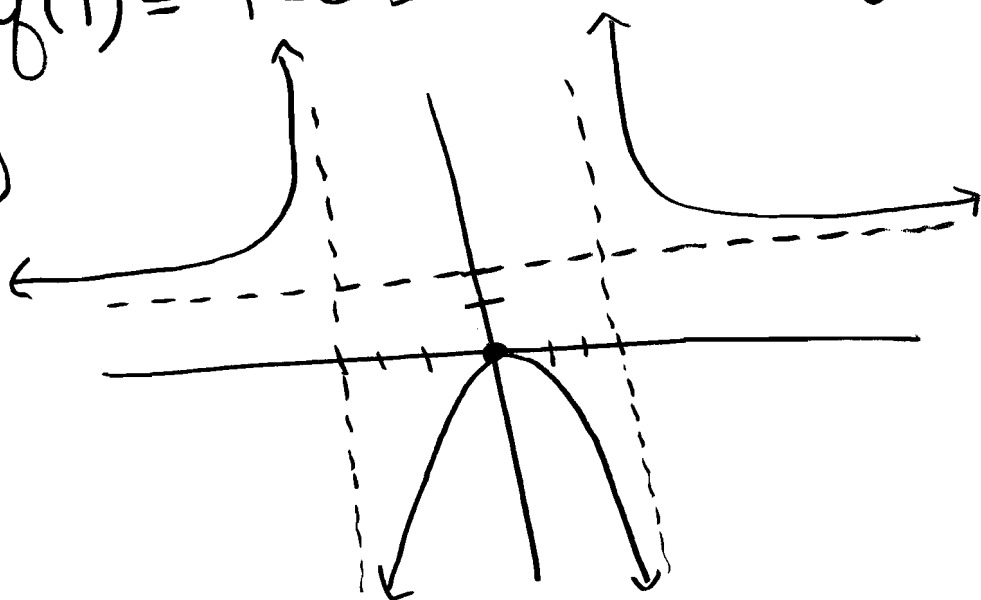
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = 0 = f(0)$$

13.)  $f(x) = 1 - x - \sqrt[3]{x}$  (0,1)

$f(x)$  continuous on the interval from (0,1) because it is the sum or difference of cont. functions

$f(0) = 1 > 0$   
 $f(1) = -1 < 0$  }  $\Rightarrow$  by I.V.T. there is a  $c \in (0,1)$  so that  $f(c) = 0$

14.)



$$15.) \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{x+2}{x}}{\sqrt{\frac{9x^2+1}{x^2}}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 + \frac{2}{x}}{\sqrt{9 + \frac{1}{x^2}}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{9}} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$16.) \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\sqrt{9x^2+x} - 3x) \cdot \frac{\sqrt{9x^2+x} + 3x}{\sqrt{9x^2+x} + 3x} =$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{9x^2+x-9x^2}{\sqrt{9x^2+x} + 3x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{x}{x}}{\sqrt{\frac{9x^2+x}{x^2}} + \frac{3x}{x}} =$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{9 + \frac{1}{x}} + 3} = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$17.) \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (x - \sqrt{x}) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{x}(\sqrt{x} - 1) = \text{d.n.e}$$

but  $\infty$  is appropriate to describe this behavior