

More examples on limits and Continuity

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Example let

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1/(x+2) & ; x < -2 \\ x^2 - 5 & ; -2 < x \leq 3 \\ \sqrt{x+13} & ; x > 3 \end{cases}$$

Find

$$(a) \lim_{x \rightarrow -2} f(x) \quad (b) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) \quad (c) \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x)$$

Solⁿ (a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow -2^-} \frac{1}{x+2} = -\infty \quad (x < -2)$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} (x^2 - 5) = -1$$

$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow -2} f(x)$ does not exist $\neq$

$$(b) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^2 - 5 = -5 \quad \neq$$

$$(c) \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} x^2 - 5 = 4$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} \sqrt{x+13} = 4$$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x) = 4 \quad \neq$$

Example Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[3]{\frac{3x+5}{6x-8}}$

Solⁿ $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[3]{\frac{3x+5}{6x-8}} = \sqrt[3]{\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3x+5}{6x-8}} = \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{2}}$ Ans

Example Find (a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{x^2+2}}{3x-6}$ (b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{\sqrt{x^2+2}}{3x-6}$

Solⁿ (a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{x^2+2}}{3x-6} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{x^2+2}/|x|}{(3x-6)/|x|} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{x^2+2}/\sqrt{x^2}}{(3x-6)/|x|}$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{1+2/x^2}}{3-6/x} = \frac{\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{1+2/x^2}}{\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} 3-6/x}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \quad \#$$

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{\sqrt{x^2+2}}{3x-6} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{\sqrt{x^2+2}/\sqrt{x^2}}{(3x-6)/|x|}$; $|x| = -x$ if $x < 0$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{\sqrt{1+2/x^2}}{(3x-6)/(-x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{\sqrt{1+2/x^2}}{\frac{6}{x} - 3} = -\frac{1}{3}$$

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Example Find

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$$(a) \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\sqrt{x^6+5} - x^3) \quad (b) \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\sqrt{x^6+5x^3} - x^3)$$

Solⁿ

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$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{x^6+5} - x^3 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{x^6+5} - x^3 \left(\frac{\sqrt{x^6+5} + x^3}{\sqrt{x^6+5} + x^3} \right) \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(x^6+5) - x^6}{\sqrt{x^6+5} + x^3} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{5/x^3}{\sqrt{1+5/x^3} + 1} \\ &= \frac{0}{2} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$(b) \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{x^6+5x^3} - x^3 (\sqrt{x^6+5x^3} + x^3)}{\sqrt{x^6+5x^3} + x^3}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{5x^3}{\sqrt{x^6+5x^3} + x^3} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{5}{\sqrt{1+5/x^3} + 1}$$

$$= \frac{5}{\sqrt{1+0} + 1} = \frac{5}{2} \quad \underline{\underline{\text{Ans}}}$$