

AP Calculus BC – Unit 1 Extra Practice

1.1 – Extra Practice

Complete the table. Use the result to estimate the limit. Use your calculator to graph the function to confirm your results.

#9b. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{x+1}-1}{x} = 0.5 = \frac{1}{2}$

x	-0.1	-0.01	-0.001	0	0.001	0.01	0.1
f(x)	0.51317	0.50126	0.50013	?	0.49988	0.49876	0.48809

#9c. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{x-4}{x^2-5x+4} = 0.333 = \frac{1}{3}$

x	3.9	3.99	3.999	4	4.001	4.01	4.1
f(x)	0.34483	0.33415	0.33314	?	0.33322	0.33223	0.32258

#9d. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos(x)-1}{x} = 0$

x	-0.1	-0.01	-0.001	0	0.001	0.01	0.1
f(x)	0.04996	0.005	5.110 ⁻⁴	?	5.110 ⁻⁴	-0.005	-0.05

#9e. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\ln(x+1)}{x} = 1$

x	-0.1	-0.01	-0.001	0	0.001	0.01	0.1
f(x)	0.0536	1.005	1.0005	?	0.9995	0.99503	0.9531

#9f. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x-1}{x} = 1$

x	-0.1	-0.01	-0.001	0	0.001	0.01	0.1
f(x)	0.95163	0.99502	0.9995	?	1.0005	1.005	1.0517

Evaluate the limit using any method. Graph in a calculator to verify your result.

#10b. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -4} \frac{x+4}{x^2+9x+20} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -4} \frac{x+4}{(x+4)(x+5)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -4} \frac{1}{x+5} = \frac{1}{-4+5} = \frac{1}{1} = 1$

#11b. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3} \frac{x^3+27}{x+3} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -3} \frac{(x+3)(x^2-3x+9)}{(x+3)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -3} (x^2-3x+9)$
 $= (-3)^2 - 3(-3) + 9 = 9 + 9 + 9 = 27$

Handwritten work for polynomial division:

$$\begin{array}{r} -3 \overline{) 1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 27} \\ \underline{-3 \ 9 \ -27} \\ 1 \ -3 \ 9 \ \underline{0} \\ x^2 - 3x + 9 \end{array}$$

#12b. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(3x)}{x} = 3$

x	$\frac{\sin(3x)}{x}$
-1	2.9552
-0.1	2.9996
-0.01	$\frac{3}{3}$
0.01	$\frac{3}{3}$
0.1	2.9996
1	2.9552

#12c. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{5 \tan(x)}{\tan(3x)}$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{5 \frac{\sin(x)}{\cos(x)}}{\frac{\sin(3x)}{\cos(3x)}}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{5 \frac{\sin(x) \frac{1}{3x}}{1}}{\frac{\sin(3x) \frac{1}{\cos(3x)}}{1}}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{5 \frac{\sin(x)}{x} \frac{1}{3}}{\frac{\sin(3x)}{\cos(3x)} \frac{1}{\cos(x)}}$$

$$= (5)(1)(\frac{1}{3})(1)(\frac{1}{1})(\frac{1}{1})$$

$$= \frac{5}{3}$$

Cor could use a table or graph if you can use a calculator

#12d. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan(x)}{\tan(2x)}$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{\sin(x)}{\cos(x)}}{\frac{\sin(2x)}{\cos(2x)}}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{\sin(x) \frac{1}{2x}}{1}}{\frac{\sin(2x) \frac{1}{\cos(2x)}}{1}}$$

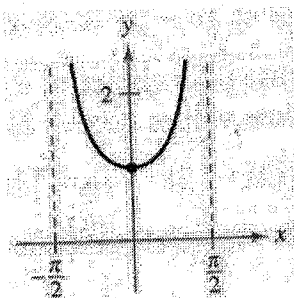
$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{\sin(x)}{x} \frac{1}{2}}{\frac{\sin(2x)}{\cos(2x)} \frac{1}{\cos(x)}}$$

$$= (1)(\frac{1}{2})(1)(\frac{1}{1})(\frac{1}{1})$$

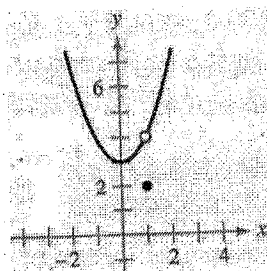
$$= \frac{1}{2}$$

Use the graph to find the limit (if it exists). If the limit does not exist, explain why.

#13b. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \sec(x) = 1$



#14b. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x)$ where $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 + 3 & x \neq 1 \\ 2 & x = 1 \end{cases}$



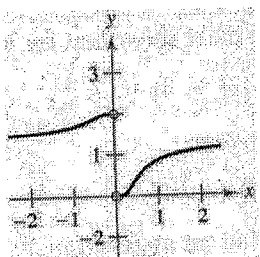
$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x) = 4$

#15b. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{4}{2 + e^{1/x}}$

DNE

because

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{4}{2 + e^{1/x}} \neq \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{4}{2 + e^{1/x}}$$

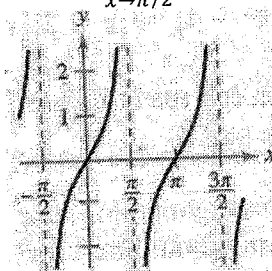


#16b. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi/2} \tan(x)$

DNE

because

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi/2^-} \tan(x) \neq \lim_{x \rightarrow \pi/2^+} \tan(x)$$



Use the graph of the function f to decide whether the value of the quantity exists. If it does, find it. If not, explain why.

#17b.

a. $f(-2)$ DNE

b. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x) = 2$

c. $f(0) = 4$

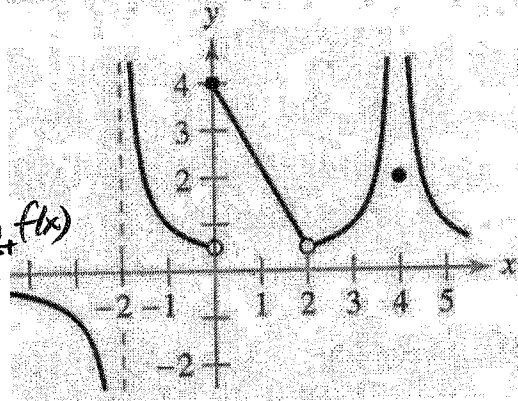
d. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$ DNE because $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) \neq \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x)$

e. $f(2)$ DNE

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

g. $f(4) = 2$

h. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} f(x)$ DNE because $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4^-} f(x) \neq \lim_{x \rightarrow 4^+} f(x)$ (cannot equate infinities)



#18 (hint) Remember, it doesn't matter what happens at $x = c$, what matters is whether or not the value being approached is the same from both sides.

#19 (hint) Evaluate the value of $f(x)$ and x approaches 1. Then plug this value into the sine function. (There is a limit property which allows this: $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(g(x)) = f(\lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x))$)

1.2 - Extra Practice

Find the limit. Use a graphing calculator to verify.

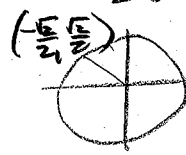
$$\begin{aligned} \#6b. \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \sqrt{x+1} \\ &= \sqrt{3+1} \\ &= \sqrt{4} = 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \#8b. \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{e^x}{2x^2 - x} \\ &= \frac{e^1}{2(1)^2 - (1)} = \frac{e}{1} = e \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \#10b. \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^2 + 2x - 8}{x^2 - x - 2} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{(x-2)(x+4)}{(x-2)(x+1)} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x+4}{x+1} = \frac{2+4}{2+1} = \frac{6}{3} = 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \#12b. \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{3(1 - \cos(x))}{x} \\ &= 3 \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos(x)}{x} \\ &= (3)(0) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \#14b. \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan^2(x)}{x} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} \cdot \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} \cdot \frac{1}{x} \\ &= \frac{\sin x}{1} \cdot \frac{\sin x}{x} \cdot \frac{1}{(\cos x)^2} \\ &= (0)(1)\left(\frac{1}{1}\right) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

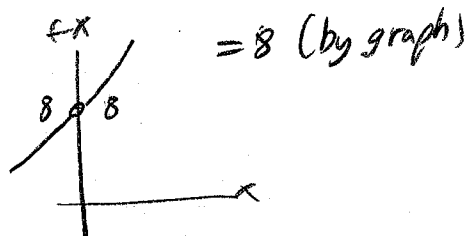
$$\begin{aligned} \#7b. \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \tan\left(\frac{\pi x}{4}\right) \\ &= \tan\left(\frac{3\pi}{4}\right) = \frac{\sin\left(\frac{3\pi}{4}\right)}{\cos\left(\frac{3\pi}{4}\right)} = \frac{\sqrt{2}/2}{-\sqrt{2}/2} = -1 \end{aligned}$$


$$\begin{aligned} \#9b. \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2x}{x^2 + 4x} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x(2)}{x(x+4)} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2}{x+4} = \frac{2}{0+4} = \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \#11b. \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{\sqrt{x+1} - 2}{x-3} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{(\sqrt{x+1} - 2)(\sqrt{x+1} + 2)}{(x-3)(\sqrt{x+1} + 2)} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x+1-4}{(x-3)(\sqrt{x+1} + 2)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x-3}{(x-3)(\sqrt{x+1} + 2)} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+1} + 2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3+1} + 2} = \frac{1}{4} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \#13b. \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(\cos(x))(\tan(x))}{x} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos x}{1} \cdot \frac{1}{x} \cdot \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} \cdot \frac{\cos x}{\cos x} \\ &= (1)(1) \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\#15b. \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{4(e^{2x} - 1)}{e^x - 1} \quad (\text{can't use L'Hopital's rule yet, so use a graph or table})$$



Find the limit analytically, then verify by calculator graph.

#16b. $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(3t)}{2t}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(3t)}{1} \cdot \frac{3t}{3t} \cdot \frac{1}{2t} \\
 &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(3t)}{3t} \cdot \frac{3t}{2t} \\
 &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(3t)}{3t} \cdot \frac{3}{2} \\
 &= (1) \left(\frac{3}{2} \right) = \frac{3}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

#16c. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos(x)-1}{2x^2}$

Find $\lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+\Delta x)-f(x)}{\Delta x}$. Compare the result to the original function...notice anything?

#17b. $f(x) = x^2 - 4x$

$$\lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{[(x+\Delta x)^2 - 4(x+\Delta x)] - [x^2 - 4x]}{\Delta x}$$

$$= \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 + 2x\Delta x + (\Delta x)^2 - 4x - 4\Delta x - x^2 + 4x}{\Delta x}$$

$$= \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2x\Delta x + (\Delta x)^2 + 4\Delta x}{\Delta x} = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta x(2x + \Delta x + 4)}{\Delta x} = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} (2x + \Delta x + 4) = 2x + 4$$

(which is the derivative of $f(x)$)

#18 (hint) You need to use the Squeeze Theorem to solve this problem.

1.3 - Extra Practice

#6b. Let f be a function defined by $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 - 2, & x < 1 \\ -x, & x \geq 1 \end{cases}$

Show that f is continuous at $x = 1$.

✓ 1) $f(1) = -(1) = -1$

✓ 2) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x)$

$$\begin{array}{l} \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} x^2 - 2 \qquad \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} -x \\ = (1)^2 - 2 \qquad = -(1) \\ = -1 \qquad \text{equal} \qquad = -1 \end{array}$$

$\therefore f(x)$ is continuous at $x = 1$

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

✓ 3) $f(1) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x)$

#7b. $R(t) = \begin{cases} 41\sqrt{\frac{t}{20}} & \text{for } 0 \leq t < 20 \\ \frac{100t^2 + 1000}{t^2 + 600} & \text{for } t \geq 20 \end{cases}$

Is the function R continuous at $t = 20$? Justify your answer.

✓ 1) $R(20) = \frac{100(20)^2 + 1000}{(20)^2 + 600} = 41$

✓ 2) $\lim_{t \rightarrow 20} R(t)$

$$\begin{array}{l} \lim_{t \rightarrow 20^-} 41\sqrt{\frac{t}{20}} \qquad \lim_{t \rightarrow 20^+} \frac{100t^2 + 1000}{t^2 + 600} \\ = 41\sqrt{\frac{20}{20}} \qquad = \frac{100(20)^2 + 1000}{(20)^2 + 600} \\ = 41 \qquad \qquad \qquad = 41 \end{array}$$

equal

$\therefore \lim_{t \rightarrow 20} R(t) = 41$

✓ 3) $R(20) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 20} R(t)$

$\therefore R(t)$ is continuous at $t = 20$.

#8b.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2+kx-2}{3x^2+4x+3} & \text{for } x < -2 \\ x^3 + 2 & \text{for } -2 \leq x < 0 \\ 0 & \text{for } x = 0 \\ \frac{2e^x}{2-e^x} & \text{for } x > 0 \end{cases}$$

Let f be the function defined above, where k is a constant.

(a) For what value of k , if any, is f continuous at $x = -2$? Justify your answer.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^-} \frac{x^2+kx-2}{3x^2+4x+3} \stackrel{\text{must}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} x^3 + 2$$

$$\frac{4+k(-2)-2}{3(-2)^2+4(-2)+3} = \frac{(-2)^3+2}{-8+2}$$

$$\frac{2-2k}{7} = -6$$

$$2-2k = -42$$

$$-2k = -44$$

$$k = 22$$

(b) What type of discontinuity does f have at $x = 0$? Give a reason for your answer.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} x^3 + 2 = 0^3 + 2 = 2$$
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{2e^x}{2-e^x} = 2$$

$$\text{but } f(0) = 0$$

x	$\frac{2e^x}{2-e^x}$
0.1	2.17701
0.01	2.0406
0.001	2.004
0.0001	2.0004
\downarrow	\downarrow
0	2

$\therefore f(x)$ has a removable discontinuity at $x = 0$

#9b.

t (days)	0	3	7	10	12
$r'(t)$ (centimeters per day)	-6.1	-5.0	-4.4	-3.8	-3.5

An ice sculpture melts in such a way that it can be modeled as a cone that maintains a conical shape as it decreases in size. The radius of the base of the cone is given by a twice-differentiable function r , where $r(t)$ is measured in centimeters and t is measured in days. The table above gives selected values of $r'(t)$, the rate of change of the radius, over the time interval $0 \leq t \leq 12$.

Is there a time t , $0 \leq t \leq 3$, for which $r'(t) = -6$? Justify your answer.

Since $r(t)$ is differentiable, it and $r'(t)$ are continuous over $[0, 3]$.

$$r'(0) = -6.1$$

$$r'(3) = -5.0$$

Because $-6.1 \leq -6 \leq -5.0$, the Intermediate Value Theorem guarantees c , $0 \leq c \leq 3$, such that $r'(c) = -6$.