

List 2

Limits of functions

35. Use the facts

$$0 < \ln(n) \quad \text{for all } n \in \mathbb{N} \text{ with } n \geq 2$$

and

$$\ln(n) < \sqrt{n} \quad \text{for all } n \in \mathbb{N}$$

to find $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln(n)}{n}$.

36. Use the Squeeze Theorem to determine the value of $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (5^n + 3^n)^{1/n}$.

37. Evaluate $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^3}{3^n}$.

38. Find the limits of these sequences and functions:

$$(a) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^n + 4^{n+1/2}}{4^n} \quad (c) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^3 + n^{-3}}{n^2 + n^{-9}} \quad (e) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sin(\pi n)$$

$$(b) \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^x + 4^{x+1/2}}{4^x} \quad (d) \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^3 + x^{-3}}{x^2 + x^{-9}} \quad (f) \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \sin(\pi x)$$

39. Calculate $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} 6^x$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} 6^x$.

If $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$ exists, then $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x)$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x)$ both exist and are equal.
 If $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x)$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x)$ have different values, or at least one of them does not exist, then $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$ does not exist.

40. Fill in the following table, then determine whether $\lim_{x \rightarrow -7} \frac{2x + 16}{1 - x}$ exists. If it exists, what is its value?

x	-7.1	-7.08	-7.003	-7.0001	-6.9999	-6.998	-6.96
$f(x)$							

41. For the function $f(x) = \begin{cases} \sqrt{x} & \text{if } x \leq 4 \\ x^2 & \text{if } x > 4 \end{cases}$

(a) Fill in the following table, then determine whether $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4^-} f(x)$ (also written $\lim_{x \nearrow 4} f(x)$ or $\lim_{x \uparrow 4} f(x)$ in some books) exists. If it exists, what is its value?

x	3.9	3.95	3.975	3.9999
$f(x)$				

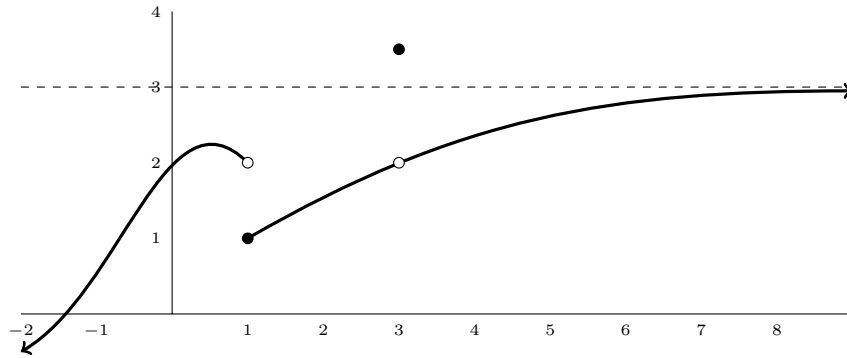
(b) Fill in the following table, then determine whether $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4^+} f(x)$ (also written $\lim_{x \searrow 4} f(x)$ or $\lim_{x \downarrow 4} f(x)$ in some books) exists. If it exists, what is its value?

x	4.5	4.25	4.1	4.001	4.00006
$f(x)$					

(c) Does $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} f(x)$ exist? If it exists, what is its value?

42. For the function whose graph is shown below, give the following limits (if they exist) to the nearest 0.5.

- (a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x)$ (d) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x)$
 (b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x)$ (e) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x)$
 (c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x)$ (f) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)$



43. Determine whether $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{|x|}{x}$ exists. If it exists, what is its value?

44. Determine whether $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{|x|}{x}$ exists. If it exists, what is its value?

45. (a) Which of the functions below satisfy $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = 0$?

(b) Which of the functions below satisfy $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = -\infty$?

$$x^2, \quad x^{-2}, \quad x^{1/2}, \quad 2^x, \quad \ln(x), \quad \sin(x), \quad \cos(x), \quad \tan(x)$$

46. Does $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{|x| - 4}{|x - 4|}$ exist? Does $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{|x| - 4}{|x - 4|}$ exist? Draw a graph of the function for x -values between -5 and 5 .

47. Using the function $g(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 & \text{if } x \leq -2 \\ x & \text{if } -2 < x < 2, \\ 4 & \text{if } x = 2 \\ 3^{-x} & \text{if } x > 2 \end{cases}$ calculate the following:

(a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} g(x)$ (d) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} g(x)$

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow (-2)^-} g(x)$ (e) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} g(x)$

(c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow (-2)^+} g(x)$ (f) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} g(x)$

48. Calculate $\lim_{t \rightarrow 8} \frac{t + 4 + t^{1/3}}{t^2 - 8t + 7}$.

49. Calculate $\lim_{t \rightarrow -3} \frac{\sqrt{2t + 22} - 4}{t + 3}$.

50. (a) Expand $(\sqrt{h+1}-1)(\sqrt{h+1}+1)$ and then simplify as much as possible.
 (b) Calculate $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{h+1}-1}{h}$.

51. Find all value(s) of p for which $\lim_{x \rightarrow 8} f(x)$ exists if

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 3x + p & \text{if } x \leq 8 \\ 2x - 5 & \text{if } x > 8. \end{cases}$$

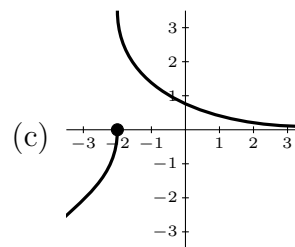
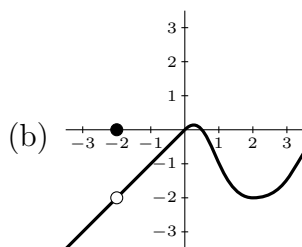
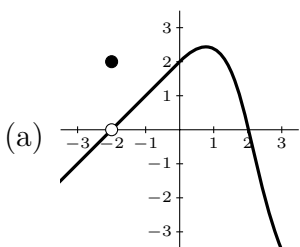
52. (a) Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(5+x)^3 - 125}{x}$.

(b) Find $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(5+h)^3 - 125}{h}$.

(c) Find $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x+h)^3 - x^3}{h}$. Your answer will be a formula with x .

- ☆53. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (1+tx)^{1/x}$. Your answer will be a formula with t .

54. For each graph $y = f(x)$ below, is $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} f(x) = 0$ true?



55. For each graph $y = f(x)$ from Task 54, does $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} f(x)$ exist?

A function $f(x)$ is **continuous at $x = p$** if $f(p)$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow p} f(x)$ both exist and are equal to each other. If not, then $f(x)$ is **discontinuous at $x = p$** .

A “jump”, “hole”, or “vertical asymptote” in a graph $y = f(x)$ will cause $f(x)$ to be discontinuous.

56. For each graph $y = f(x)$ from Task 54, is $f(x)$ continuous at $x = 2$?

57. Give the following limits:

(a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow (\pi/4)^-} \tan(x)$

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

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow (\pi/4)^+} \tan(x)$

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

58. (a) Find the vertical asymptote(s) of

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{x^2 + x - 6}$$

- (b) Find the vertical asymptote(s) of

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2 - x - 2}{x^2 + x - 6}$$

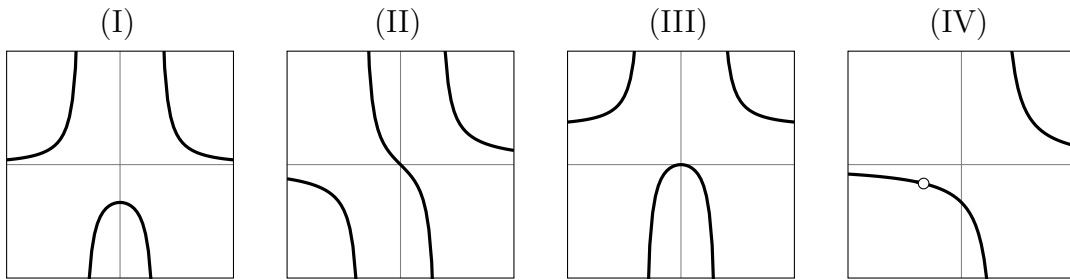
59. What horizontal asymptotes does the function

$$f(x) = \frac{x}{|x| + 5}$$

have? Hint: Calculate $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x)$.

60. Match the functions with their graphs:

(a) $\frac{x}{x^2 - 1}$ (b) $\frac{1}{x^2 - 1}$ (c) $\frac{x + 1}{x^2 - 1}$ (d) $\frac{x^2}{x^2 - 1}$



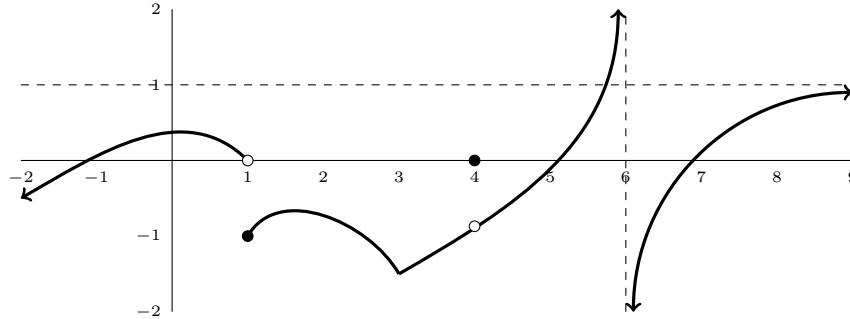
61. Calculate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^2 \cos\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$ using the Squeeze Theorem for functions.

62. If $f(x)$ is a function for which

$$24x - 41 \leq f(x) \leq 4x^2 - 5$$

for all x , what is $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x)$?

63. List all points where the function graphed below is discontinuous.



64. Give an example of a function that is discontinuous at infinitely many points.

☆65. Give an example of a function that is discontinuous at *every* point.

66. For what value(s) of p is the function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^3 + 5 & \text{if } x < -2 \\ x + p & \text{if } x \geq -2 \end{cases}$$

continuous?

67. Which of the following functions has a hole at $x = 8$?

(B) $\frac{x^2 - 8x - 9}{x^2 + 8x + 7}$ (A) $\frac{x^2 - 8x - 9}{x^2 - 7x - 8}$ (C) $\frac{x^2 - 9x + 8}{x^2 - 7x - 8}$

68. Is $\frac{5x^2 + 1}{x^2 - 1}$ continuous? Is $\frac{5x^2 + 1}{x^2 + 1}$?

69. Without graphing, determine which one of the three equations below has a solution with $0 \leq x \leq 3$.

(A) $x^2 = 4^x$, (B) $x^3 = 5^x$, (C) $x^5 = 6^x$.

70. Let $f(x) = \frac{13x - 77}{x - 5}$.

(a) $f(4) = 25$ and $f(11) = 11$. Does the Intermediate Value Theorem guarantee that $f(x) = 10$ for some $x \in [4, 11]$?

(b) $f(6) = 1$ and $f(11) = 11$. Does the Intermediate Value Theorem guarantee that $f(x) = 10$ for some $x \in [6, 11]$?

(c) $f(6) = 1$ and $f(8) = 9$. Does the Intermediate Value Theorem guarantee that $f(x) = 10$ for some $x \in [6, 8]$?

71. Label each of the following expressions as “a sum”, “a difference”, “a product”, “a quotient”, or “a composition”.

(a) $x^2 + 7$

(e) $\frac{5 \sin(2x)}{e^{(\sin(x))^3}}$

(b) $(x + 7)^2$

(f) $\sqrt{\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{x^2}}$

(c) $\sin(x + 7)$

(d) $\frac{(x - 1)^3}{e^x} - \frac{1}{x + 8}$

(g) $\sin(\sqrt{x}) + \sqrt[3]{\sin(x)}$

72. Give the composition $f \circ g$ for the functions $f(x) = e^x$ and $g(x) = 8x - 3$.

☆73. Use the definition of a limit with ε and δ to show that the limit of

$$f(x) = 4x - 3$$

as x approaches 2 is equal to 5.

As a reminder, starred ☆ tasks are ones that I (Adam) believe are beyond the level of an introductory calculus class.