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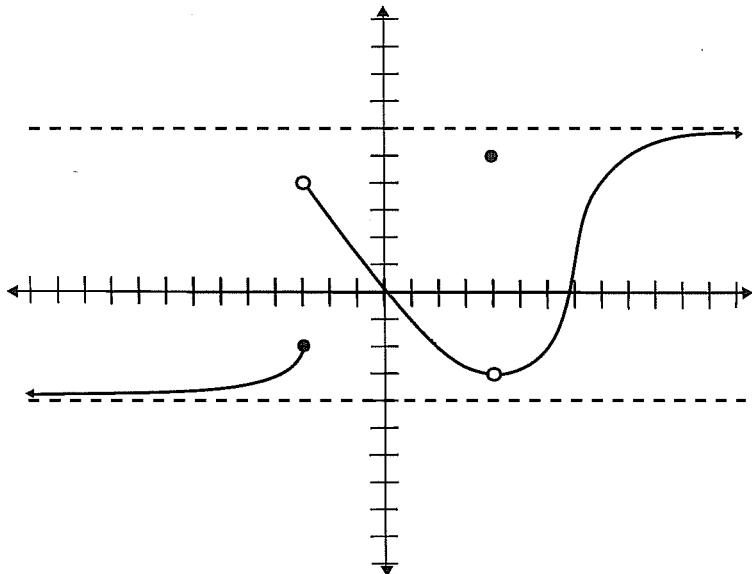
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# Test 1

The length of the test is 1hr and 45min. You may use a nonprogrammable, nongraphing scientific calculator. Remember to clearly show all of your work and to **use correct notation**. Circle your last name for one bonus mark. Do not use decimals unless otherwise stated.

**Question 1.** (0.5 points each) The graph of  $f(x)$  is below (each hash mark is 1 unit). Use the graph to find/answer the following (just state the answer, you do not need to show any work):



(a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3^-} f(x) = -2$

(b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3^+} f(x) = 1$

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

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

(e)  $f(2) = -2$

(f)

$\lim_{x \rightarrow -3} f(x) \text{ D.N.E.}$

(g) Is  $f(x)$  continuous at  $x = -3$ ?

NO

(h) Is  $f(x)$  continuous at  $x = 0$ ?

YES

(i) Is  $f(x)$  continuous at  $x = 2$ ?

NO

(j)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = 6$

(k)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = -4$

(l) Is  $f(x)$  left continuous or right continuous at  $x = -3$ ?

LEFT CONTINUOUS.

**Question 2.** Find the following limits:

$$(a) (2 \text{ marks}) \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x^2 - x - 6}{2x^2 - x - 3} = \frac{(3)^2 - 3 - 6}{2(3)^2 - 3 - 3} = \frac{0}{12} = 0$$

$$(b) (4 \text{ marks}) \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{4 - \sqrt{5x+6}}{x-2} \cdot \frac{4 + \sqrt{5x+6}}{4 + \sqrt{5x+6}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{16 - (5x+6)}{x-2 (4 + \sqrt{5x+6})}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{10 - 5x}{x-2 (4 + \sqrt{5x+6})} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{5(2-x)}{(x-2)(4 + \sqrt{5x+6})}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{-5}{4 + \sqrt{16}} = \frac{-5}{4 + \sqrt{16}} = \frac{-5}{8}$$

$$(c) (4 \text{ marks}) \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} \frac{|1-x|}{x^2 - 1} \stackrel{*}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} \frac{-(1-x)}{(x+1)(x-1)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} \frac{1}{x+1}$$

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

\* IF  $x \rightarrow 1^+$   $\Rightarrow x > 1 \Rightarrow 0 > 1-x \Rightarrow |1-x| = -(1-x)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(d) (4 marks)} \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(2\theta)}{\sin(3\theta) \cdot \cos\theta} &= \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cancel{\sin 2\theta}}{2\theta} \cdot \frac{\cancel{\sin 3\theta}}{3\theta} \cdot \frac{1}{\cancel{\cos\theta}} = \\
 &= \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cancel{\sin 2\theta}}{2\theta} \cdot \frac{3\theta}{\cancel{\sin 3\theta}} \cdot \frac{1}{\cancel{\cos\theta}} \cdot \frac{2}{3} \\
 &= (1)(1)(1) \cdot \frac{2}{3} \\
 &= \frac{2}{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(e) (4 marks)} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4x^{3/2} + 3\sqrt{x} - 5}{2x^{3/2} - 7x + 6} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{4x^{3/2}}{x^{3/2}} + \frac{3x^{1/2}}{x^{3/2}} - \frac{5}{x^{3/2}}}{\frac{2x^{3/2}}{x^{3/2}} - \frac{7x}{x^{3/2}} + \frac{6}{x^{3/2}}} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4 + \frac{3}{x} - \frac{5}{x^{3/2}}}{2 - \frac{7}{x^{1/2}} + \frac{6}{x^{3/2}}} = \frac{4 + 0 - 0}{2 - 0 + 0} = 2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(f) (3 marks)} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{5x^5 - 2}{-3x + 6} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{5x^5}{x} - \frac{2}{x}}{\frac{-3x}{x} + \frac{6}{x}} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{5x^4 - 2/x}{-3 + 6/x} = -\infty
 \end{aligned}$$

**Question 3.** (5 marks) Find the value of  $c$  that would make the following function continuous everywhere.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 - cx - 5 & \text{if } x < 1 \\ -2 & \text{if } x = 1 \\ c^2 x + 3c & \text{if } x > 1 \end{cases}$$

1)  $f(x) = -2$

2)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} (x^2 - cx - 5) = \cancel{(x^2 - cx - 5)} \quad (1)^2 - c(1) - 5 = -c - 4$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} (c^2 x + 3c) = c^2 + 3c$$

$\therefore$  For  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x)$  to exist

$$-c - 4 = c^2 + 3c \Rightarrow 0 = c^2 + 4c + 4$$

$$0 = (c+2)(c+2) \Rightarrow c = -2.$$

Now if  $c = -2$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} x^2 - (-2)x - 5 = (\cancel{x})^2 + 2(\cancel{-2}) - 5 = \cancel{0+4+4} - 5 = -2$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} (-2)^2 x + 3(-2) = 4(1) \cancel{+ 6} = -2$$

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

3)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x) = -2 = f(1) \quad (\text{if } c = -2)$

$\therefore$  If  $c = -2$   $f$  is continuous at  $x = 1$

BUT  $f$  is continuous everywhere else since it is a polynomial

so if  $c = -2$   $f$  is continuous everywhere.

**Question 4.** Determine if each of the following functions has a removable discontinuity at the given  $x$ -value:

(a) (3 marks)  $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 3x}{x^2 - 9}$  at  $x = 3$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x^2 - 3x}{x^2 - 9} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x(x-3)}{(x+3)(x-3)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x}{x+3} = \frac{3}{3+3} = \frac{1}{2}$$

BUT  $f(3)$  IS NOT DEFINED.

$\therefore f(x)$  HAS A REMOVABLE DISCONTINUITY AT  $x = 3$ .

(b) (3 marks)  $f(x) = [\cos x]$  at  $x = 0$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} [\cos x] = 0$$

$$\text{If } -\frac{\pi}{2} < x < 0 \Rightarrow 0 < \cos x < 1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} [\cos x] = 0$$

$$\text{If } 0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2} \Rightarrow 0 < \cos x < 1$$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} [\cos x] = 0$$

BUT  $f(0) = [\cos 0] = [1] = 1$

So  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} [\cos x] \neq f(0)$

$\therefore f$  HAS A REMOVABLE DISCONTINUITY AT  $x = 0$ .

**Question 5. (5 marks)** Use the squeeze theorem to show that:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^6 \cos^2 \left( 1 + \frac{1}{x} \right) = 0$$

NOTICE

$$0 \leq \cos^2 \left( 1 + \frac{1}{x} \right) \leq 1$$

$$\text{since } x^6 \geq 0 \Rightarrow x^6 \cdot 0 \leq \cos^2 \left( 1 + \frac{1}{x} \right) \leq x^6$$

$$\text{now } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (0) = 0 \text{ and } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (x^6) = 0$$

so by SQUEEZE THEOREM

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^6 \cos^2 \left( 1 + \frac{1}{x} \right) = 0$$

**Question 6. (4 marks)** Suppose  $f(x)$  is continuous at  $x = 4$  and  $f(2) = 2$  and find

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{[f(x)]^2 + 3f(x) - 10}{[f(x)]^2 - 4}$$

(Clearly show all of your steps.)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{[f(x)]^2 + 3f(x) - 10}{[f(x)]^2 - 4} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{(f(x) - 2)(f(x) + 5)}{(f(x) - 2)(f(x) + 2)}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{f(x) + 5}{f(x) + 2} = \frac{\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} (f(x) + 5)}{\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} (f(x) + 2)}$$

$$= \frac{\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} f(x) + 5}{\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} f(x) + 2} = \frac{f(4) + 5}{f(4) + 2}$$

$$= \frac{2 + 5}{2 + 2} = \frac{7}{4}$$

SINCE  $f$  IS CONTINUOUS AT  $x = 4$

**Bonus Question.** (4 marks) Let  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  be continuous functions (everywhere). Suppose that  $g(1) < f(1)$  and  $g(6) > f(6)$ . Show that there is a number  $c$  such that  $f(c) = g(c)$ . (Hint: define a new function  $h(x) = g(x) - f(x)$ . Does this function have any roots?)

LET  $h(x) = g(x) - f(x)$ . SINCE  $g(x)$  AND  $f(x)$  ARE  
CONTINUOUS SO IS  $h(x)$ . IN PARTICULAR,  $h(x)$  IS  
CONTINUOUS ON  $[1, 6]$

NOW  $h(1) = g(1) - f(1) < 0$  SINCE  $g(1) < f(1)$

AND  $h(6) = g(6) - f(6) > 0$  SINCE  $g(6) > f(6)$

SO  $h(1) < 0 < h(6)$

∴ BY THE INTERMEDIATE VALUE THEOREM THERE IS  
A  $c$  IN  $(1, 6)$  SUCH THAT

$$h(c) = 0 \text{ BUT THIS MEANS THAT}$$

$$0 = h(c) = g(c) - f(c) \Rightarrow f(c) = g(c)$$

SO THERE IS A  $c$  IN  $(1, 6)$  SUCH  
THAT  $f(c) = g(c)$  ■