



Homework 2

Due: Fri, Oct 12, 2:00 pm

Fall 2018

Tips to avoid any cases of plagiarism

- Do not look at the solutions of your classmates.
- You are encouraged to discuss the homework with your classmates, but restrict yourself to oral discussions only.
- Cite all the online sources that you get help from.
- Keep your work in a secure place.

Problem 1

(a) Let $f(x) = \frac{x-1}{\sqrt{x}-1}$

(i) Evaluate $f(1.5)$, $f(1.1)$, $f(1.01)$ and $f(1.001)$ and guess the value for $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x)$.(ii) Evaluate $f(0.5)$, $f(0.9)$, $f(0.99)$ and $f(0.999)$ and guess the value for $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x)$.(iii) Do you think $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x)$ exists?

(b) Let $f(x) = \frac{x+1}{x^2-1}$

(i) Evaluate $f(-1.5)$, $f(-1.1)$, $f(-1.01)$ and $f(-1.001)$ and guess the value for $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1^-} f(x)$.(ii) Evaluate $f(-0.5)$, $f(-0.9)$, $f(-0.99)$ and $f(-0.999)$ and guess the value for $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1^+} f(x)$.(iii) Do you think $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} f(x)$ exists?**Problem 2**

Sketch a possible graph of each of the following functions with the given properties.

(a) $f(-1) = 2$, $f(0) = -1$, $f(1) = 3$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x)$ does not exist.(b) $f(x) = 1$ for $-2 \leq x \leq 1$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x) = 3$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} f(x) = 1$.(c) $f(0) = 1$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = 2$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = 3$.(d) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = -2$, $f(0) = 1$, $f(2) = 3$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x)$ does not exist.**Problem 3**(a) Numerically estimate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x^{\sec x}$

(b) Explain what is wrong with the following logic:

$$\text{Since } 0 \text{ to any power is } 0, \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^{\sec x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} 0^{\sec x} = 0.$$

Problem 4

- (a) Give a possible expression of a function $f(x)$ such that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$ exists but $f(0)$ does not exist.
- (b) Give a possible expression of a function $g(x)$ such that $g(0)$ exists but $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} g(x)$ does not exist.
- (c) Give a possible expression of a function $f(x)$ such that $f(0)$ exists and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$ exists but $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) \neq f(0)$.

Problem 5

Find the exact value of the following limits. State clearly any limit rules or theorems that you use.

- (a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x+2}{x^2+5x+6}$
- (b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} \frac{x^2-1}{x+1}$
- (c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x-1}{\sqrt{x+3}-2}$ [Hint: Rationalize]
- (d) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^2-1}{x+2}$
- (e) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} \frac{x^2+x}{x^2-x-2}$
- (f) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^2-2x}{x^2-4}$
- (g) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} x \sin x$
- (h) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan x}{\sin x}$
- (i) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \sqrt{x^2-2x+2}$
- (j) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1-\cos x}{x^2}$
- (k) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^4 \cos\left(\frac{2}{x}\right)$

Problem 6

- (a) Write each answer as an equality, and any decimals up to 7 decimal places (e.g. $2 < x < 2.0164389$). Clearly state the value of ϵ and δ (or M or N and δ) in each case.
- (i) How close to 4 do we need to take x so that $\left(\frac{x}{2} - 2\right) < 0.001$?
- (ii) How close to 4 do we need to take x so that $\left(\frac{x}{2} - 2\right) > -0.0001$?
- (iii) How close to 0 do we need to take x so that $(2x+9) < 9.0001$?
- (iv) How close to 0 do we need to take x so that $(2x+9) > 8.999$?
- (v) How close to 0 do we need to take x so that $(x^2+6x+9) < 9.001$?
- (vi) How close to 0 do we need to take x so that $(x^2+6x+9) < 9.0001$?
- (vii) How close to 0 do we need to take x so that $(x^2+6x+9) > 8.9999$?
- (viii) How close to -7 do we need to take x so that $\frac{1}{(x+7)^4} > 10000$?
- (ix) How close to -7 do we need to take x so that $\frac{1}{(x+7)^4} > 100000$?
- (x) How close to 0 do we need to take x so that $\ln x < -10000$?
- (xi) How close to 0 do we need to take x so that $\ln x < -100000$?
- (b) Use the ϵ - δ definition of a limit to show that

- (i) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \left(\frac{x}{2} - 2\right) = 0$
- (ii) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (2x+9) = 9$
- (iii) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (x^2+6x+9) = 9$
- (iv) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -7} \frac{1}{(x+7)^4} = \infty$
- (v) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \ln x = -\infty$