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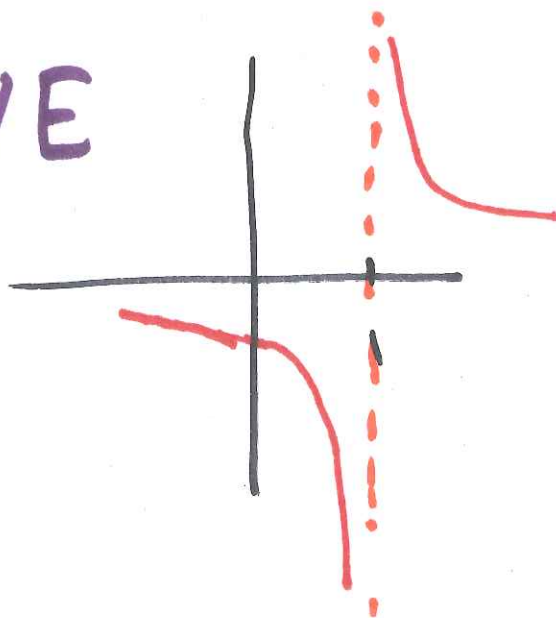
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$$\frac{x+1}{x^2-1} = \frac{x+1}{(x+1)(x-1)} = \frac{1}{x-1}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} \frac{1}{x-1} = +\infty$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{1}{x-1} = -\infty, \text{ then}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{1}{x-1} = \text{DNE}$$



$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x-1}{x^2-1}$$

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

$f(x) = 1/(x+1)$ is continuous
at $x = 1$, so we may
evaluate the limit by
substitution -

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x-1}{x^2-1} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{1}{x+1} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

A2.4-Continuity: Problem 14

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(1 point) [local/rmb-problems/piecewise-cont.pg](#)Let f be defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x + 5, & x \leq 2 \\ Ax + B, & 2 < x < 7 \\ 2x + 13, & 7 \leq x \end{cases}$$

Find the values of A and B which make f continuous everywhere. $A =$  $B =$ [help](#)[\(numbers\)](#)**Solution:**

Recall f is continuous at a if f is defined near a and $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = f(a)$.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} Ax + B$$

$$= 2A + B.$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} x + 5 = 7.$$

Want $2A + B = 7$, so
left & right limits agree

At ~~7~~ 7, need

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 7^-} Ax + B = \lim_{x \rightarrow 7^+} 2x + 13$$

~~for~~

$$\underline{7A + B = 27.}$$

$$2A + B = 7$$

$$- (7A + B = 27)$$

$$-5A = -20$$

$$A = \underline{+4}$$

$$2 \cdot 4 + B = 7$$

$$B = -1$$

$$\underline{A = 4, B = -1}$$

Check

$$f(2) = 7 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x)$$

$$27 = f(7) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 7} f(x) \quad \checkmark$$

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Evaluate the limit:

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

Solution:

$$\frac{x^2 - 3x + 2}{x^3 - 1} \text{ is undefined}$$

at $x=0$.

Simplify

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

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

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The position of a particle is given by the function $p(t) = 3t^3$.

Find the average velocity of the particle on the interval $[p, q]$.

The average velocity is

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Hint:

Take the limit as q approaches p of the expression for the average velocity to find the instantaneous velocity at the time p .

The instantaneous velocity is

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Solution:

Average velocity

$$\text{is } \frac{p(q) - p(p)}{q - p} = \frac{3q^3 - 3p^3}{q - p}$$
$$= \frac{3(p-q)(p^2 + pq + q^2)}{q - p}$$
$$= 3(p^2 + pq + q^2)$$

$$\frac{3(\cancel{q-p})(q^2 + pq + p^2)}{(\cancel{q-p})}$$

$$= 3(q^2 + pq + p^2).$$

$$\lim_{q \rightarrow p} 3(q^2 + pq + p^2) = \underline{9p^2}$$

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Evaluate using the Squeeze Theorem.

(Use symbolic notation and fractions where needed.)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi/2} (\cos x) \cdot \cos(\tan(8x)) =$$

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Note that

$$-1 \leq \cos(\tan(8x)) \leq 1.$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} -|\cos(x)| &\leq \cos(x) \cos(\tan(8x)) \\ &\leq +|\cos(x)| \end{aligned}$$

-New solution follows

¶ We have

$$|\cos(y)| \leq 1$$

for any y . Thus

$$|\cos(\tan(x))| \leq 1. \quad \text{¶ We}$$

also have ~~if~~ $y \leq |y|$.

Thus

$$\cos(\tan(x)) \cos(x)$$

$$\leq |\cos(\tan(x))| |\cos(x)|$$

$$\leq |\cos(x)|.$$

Applying same argument
to $-\cot(\tan(8x))\cos(x)$,
we have

$$-\cot(\tan(8x))\cos(x)$$

$$\leq |-\cot(\tan(8x))| \cdot |\cos(x)|$$

$$\leq |\cos(x)|$$

or

$$\cot(\tan(8x))\cos(x)$$

$$\geq -|\cos(x)|.$$

Since we have

$$\begin{aligned} -|\cos(x)| &\leq \cos(x) \cos(\tan(x)) \\ &\leq |\cos(x)|. \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi/2} \pm |\cos(x)| = 0.$$

The squeeze theorem
tells us that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi/2} \cos(x) \cos(\tan(8x))$$

$$= 0.$$



Clicher question #3.

If $f(x)$ is continuous,
and $f(x) = \cos(\pi x)$ for
 $x = 0, 1, 2, 3$, how many
solutions are there of
 $f(x) = 0$?

We have

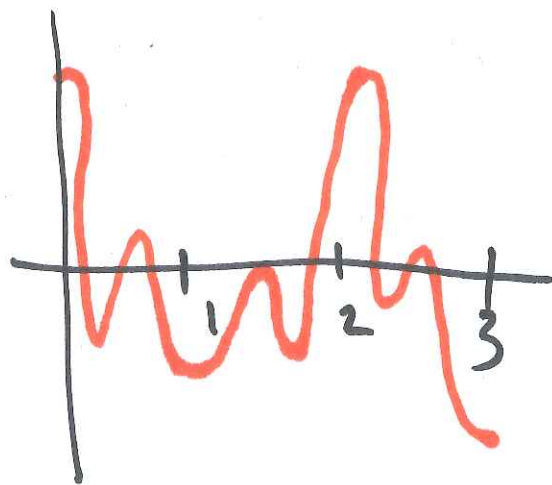
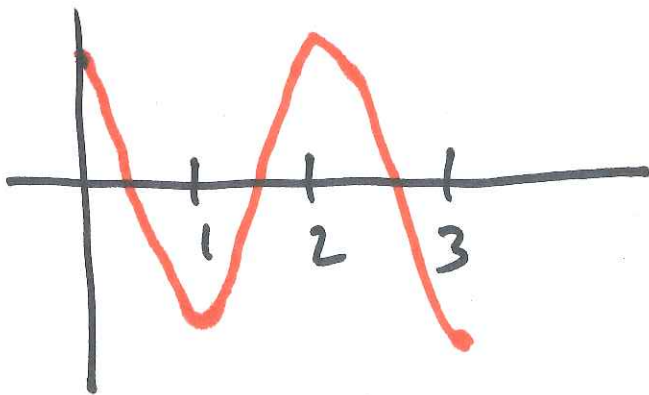
$$f(0) = f(2) = +1$$

$$f(1) = f(3) = -1.$$

Thus the intermediate
value theorem tells

us that the equation $f(x) = 0$ has at least one solution in each of the intervals

$(0, 1)$, $(1, 2)$, $(2, 3)$. However there may be many solutions. See below.



The correct answer
is: I don't know.

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Evaluate the limit:

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos 3t}{\sin 6t} =$$

Solution:

We know

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin t}{t} = 1 \quad \text{and}$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos(t)}{t} = 0.$$

Then

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(at)}{at} = 1, \text{ if } a \neq 0$$

and

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{(1 - \cos(at))}{a^2 t^2} = 0.$$

We can write

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1 - \cos(3t)}{\sin(6t)} &= \frac{1 - \cos(3t)}{t} \cdot \frac{t}{\sin(6t)} \\ &= \frac{3}{6} \cdot \frac{1 - \cos(3t)}{3t} \cdot \frac{1}{\frac{\sin(6t)}{6t}} \end{aligned}$$

Then by the rules for
limits of products
and quotients,

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos(3t)}{\sin(6t)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos(3t)}{3t}$$

$$\times \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\frac{\sin(\underline{6t})}{6t}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \cdot 0 = 0.$$

A2.8-IVT: Problem 5

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Find an interval (a, b) of length 1 and so that we may use the values of the expression $xe^{\frac{x}{2}}$ at the endpoints of the interval and the intermediate value theorem to show that the equation

$$xe^{\frac{x}{2}} = 2$$

has a solution in the interval (a, b) .

$a =$

1

■ ■ ■

$b =$

2

■ ■ ■

Solution:

Let $f(x) = xe^{x/2}$, then

$f(1) \approx 1.65$ and

$f(2) \approx 5.44$, so there

is a solution to $f(x) = 2$

on $(1, 2)$.