

F-L1c

Practice Assessment

Evaluate the following limits. Show all work.

1.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{x+3} - \sqrt{3}}{x}$  try direct sub.;  $\frac{\sqrt{0+3} - \sqrt{3}}{0} = \frac{0}{0}$  indet. form

Rationalize:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(\sqrt{x+3} - \sqrt{3}) \cdot (\sqrt{x+3} + \sqrt{3})}{x(\sqrt{x+3} + \sqrt{3})} \xrightarrow{\text{conjugate}} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x+3-3}{x(\sqrt{x+3} + \sqrt{3})} \rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+3} + \sqrt{3}} \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{3}} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}}$$

2.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(3x)}{2x}$  Direct sub. ...  $\frac{\sin(0)}{0} = \frac{0}{0}$  indet. form

Note type

**MUST KNOW**

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = 1$

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

"1"  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 3x}{2x} = \frac{3}{2} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[ \frac{3 \cdot \sin 3x}{2 \cdot 3x} \right] \Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[ \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{\sin 3x}{3x} \right]$

"Limit of products is product of limits"

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{3}{2} \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 3x}{3x} \text{ yay!}$

$\frac{3}{2} \cdot 1 = \frac{3}{2}$

F-L1b

Evaluate the following limits. Show all work.

3.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -7^-} \frac{x}{x+7}$

$\frac{-7^-}{-7^- + 7} \Rightarrow \frac{-7^-}{0^-} \leftarrow \begin{matrix} \text{negative \#} \\ \text{negative \#} \end{matrix}$

$\frac{-7.00001}{-0.00001} \rightarrow +\infty$

$\frac{-7.00001}{-7} \rightarrow -\infty$

4.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-2x^5 + 8x^4 - 7x^3 + 45x - 0.178}{4x^5 - 3x^3 + 25x^2 - 0.27x + 1224}$

Replace x with infinity. But realize:  $\infty^5 \gg \gg \gg \infty^4 \gg \gg \gg \infty^3$ , etc...

$\frac{-2 \cdot \infty^5 + 8\infty^4 + \dots}{4\infty^5 - 3\infty^3 + \dots}$  All this is jack squat compared to  $-2 \cdot \infty^5$

All this is measly crumbs compared to  $4 \cdot \infty^5$

"equally huge"  $\Rightarrow \frac{-2}{4} = -\frac{1}{2}$

F-B1

5. Identify any vertical asymptote(s) of the following function. Justify your answer using limits.

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

$$f(x) = \frac{\cancel{x+1}}{(\cancel{x+1})(x-1)} \Rightarrow f(x) = \frac{1}{x-1} \quad \text{V.A. candidate: looks like } \underline{x=1}$$

Justify 2

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} \frac{1}{x-1} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{1^+ - 1} = \frac{1}{\text{...} - 1} = \frac{1}{0^-} = \underline{\underline{+\infty}}$$

check to see if either  $1^+$  and/or  $1^-$  produces  $\pm \infty$

So,  $x=1$  is a V.A.

[see V.A. definition, 8/26 notes]

6. Identify any horizontal asymptote(s) of the following function. Justify your answer using limits.

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

def. of H.A. notes: 8/26

$$y=b \text{ is H.A.} \iff \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = b, \quad b \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x+1}{x^2-1} \Rightarrow \frac{\infty + 1}{\infty^2 - 1} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{chomp} \\ \text{change compared to} \\ \text{infinity.} \end{array}$$

$$\frac{\infty \leftarrow \text{big}}{\infty^2 \leftarrow \text{freaking GIGANTIC}}$$

$$\approx 0$$

So  $y=0$  is a H.A.