

Practice Midterm

AP Calculus AB

Find each of the following limits. If the limit does not exist, explain why.

1. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} h(x) = e$

2. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} h(x) = d$

3. $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} h(x) = \infty$

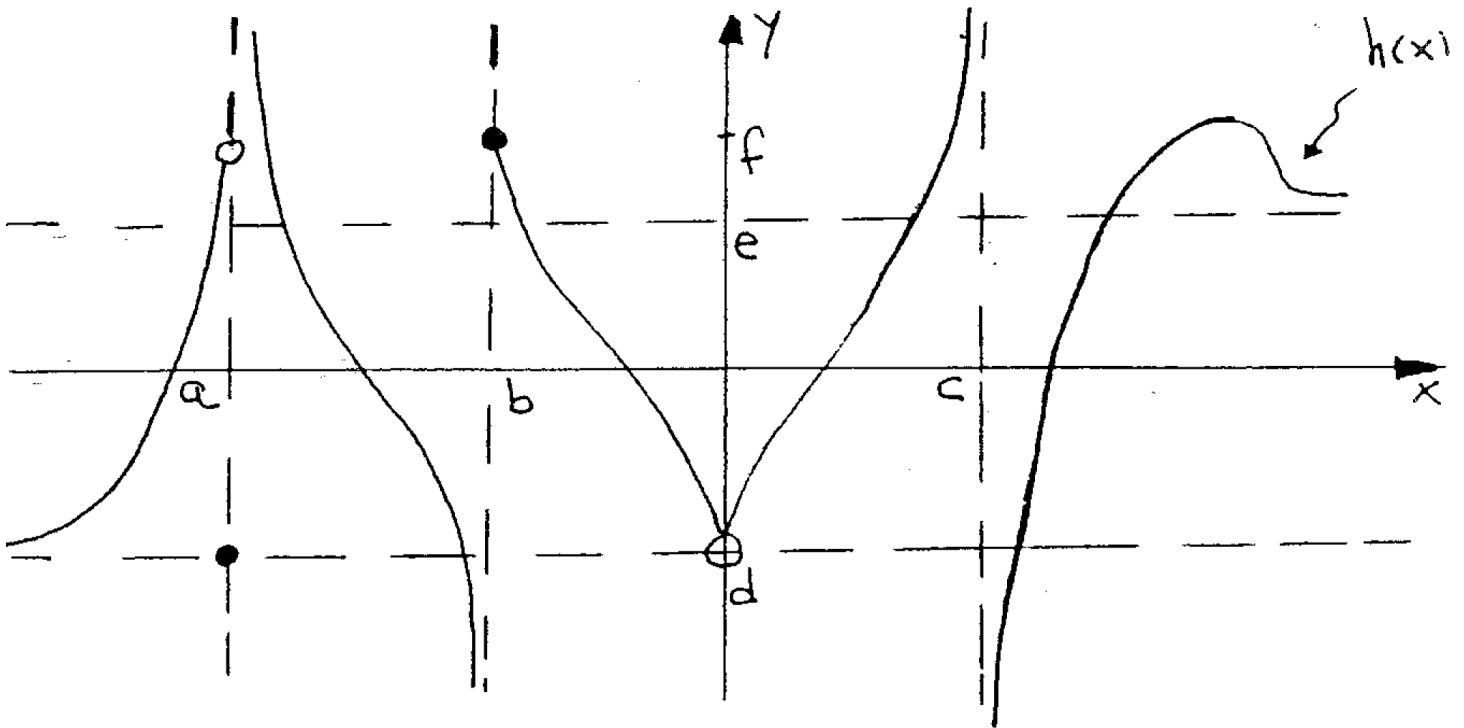
4. $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} h(x) = f$

5. $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} h(x) = \text{d.n.e.}$
 $\infty \neq f$

6. $\lim_{x \rightarrow b} h(x) = \text{dne: } -\infty \neq f$

7. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} h(x) = d$

8. $\lim_{x \rightarrow b^+} h(x) = f$



Evaluate each limit. If the limit does not exist, explain why using proper mathematical notation.

12. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{x^2 + 3x - 40}{2x - 10} = \frac{(x-5)(x+8)}{2(x-5)} \Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{x+8}{2} = \frac{13}{2}$

13. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5^+} \frac{-4x + 1}{2x - 10} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5^+} \frac{-4x + 1}{2(x-5)} = \frac{-4 \cdot 5^+ + 1}{2(5^+ - 5)} = \frac{-20^+ + 1}{2 \cdot 0^+} = \frac{-19^- \leftarrow \text{neg}}{0^+ \leftarrow \text{pos}} \Rightarrow -\infty$

14. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5^-} \frac{2x - 7}{2x - 10} = \frac{2 \cdot 5^- - 7}{2(5^- - 5)} = \frac{10^- - 7}{2 \cdot 0^-} = \frac{3^- \leftarrow \text{pos}}{0^- \leftarrow \text{neg}} = -\infty$

15. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{x+1}-1}{x} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x+1}+1}{\sqrt{x+1}+1} = \frac{x+1-1}{(x)(\sqrt{x+1}+1)} = \frac{x}{(x)(\sqrt{x+1}+1)} \Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+1}+1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{0+1}+1} = \frac{1}{1+1} = \frac{1}{2}$

16. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-5+3x}{4-3x} = \frac{3}{-3} = -1$
H.A.

17. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-5x^2-2x-3}{-23x-11+6x^4} = 0$
H.A.

18. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{5x^6-2x-1}{3-7x^3-x+2x^5} = \infty$
H.A.

19. Find the equation(s) of the vertical asymptotes of $f(x) = \frac{2x-8}{4x^2-64}$. Justify your answer. (with limits)

$\frac{2(x-4)}{4(x^2-16)} = \frac{2(x-4)}{4(x-4)(x+4)} = \frac{2}{4(x+4)}$
Removable, not inf.
V.A. @ $x = -4$
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow -4^-} \frac{2}{4(x+4)} = \frac{2}{4(-4+4)} = \frac{2}{4(0^-)} = \frac{2}{0^-} = -\infty$

20. Find the equation(s) of the horizontal asymptotes of $f(x)$ below. Justify with limits.

$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{2x-3}{50-10x}, & \text{if } x > 5 \\ x^2-x-10, & \text{if } x = 5 \\ \frac{-3-2x^2-10x}{4x^2-11x-7}, & \text{if } x < 5 \end{cases}$

HA: $y = -\frac{1}{5}$ and $y = -\frac{1}{2}$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 5^+} \frac{2x-3}{50-10x} = \frac{2(5)-3}{50-10(5)} = \frac{7}{-50} = -\frac{1}{5}$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{-3-2x^2-10x}{4x^2-11x-7} = \frac{-2}{4} = -\frac{1}{2}$

21. Find the values of a and b so that $g(x)$ is everywhere continuous.

$g(x) = \begin{cases} x^2, & \text{if } x < 2 \\ ax + b, & \text{if } 2 \leq x \leq 5 \\ 3x + 1, & \text{if } x > 5 \end{cases}$

Cont. @ $x = 2$
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} g(x) = g(2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} g(x)$
 $(2)^2 = 2a + b = 2a + b$
 $4 = 2a + b$

Cont. @ $x = 5$
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5^-} g(x) = g(5) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5^+} g(x)$
 $5a + b = 5a + b = 3(5) + 1$
 $5a + b = 16$

$\begin{cases} 2a + b = 4 \\ 5a + b = 16 \end{cases}$ Elimination

$-3a = -12$

$a = 4$

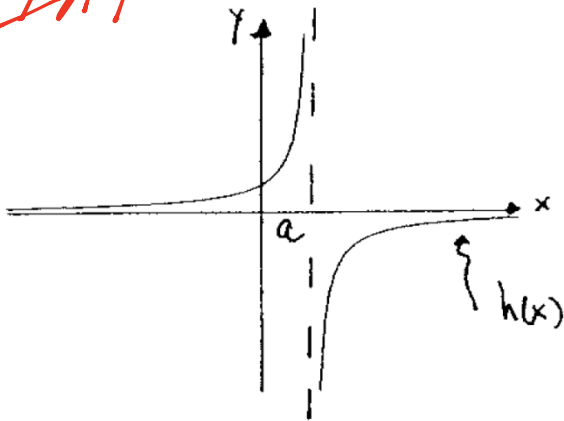
$2(4) + b = 4$
 $8 + b = 4$
 $b = -4$

$a = 4$
 $b = -4$

For 22-25, classify as jump, removable, or infinite discontinuities. Use limits to justify your answers.

22.

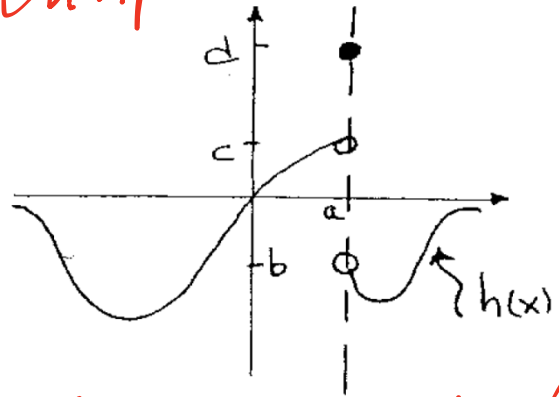
Inf.



$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} h(x) = -\infty$$

23.

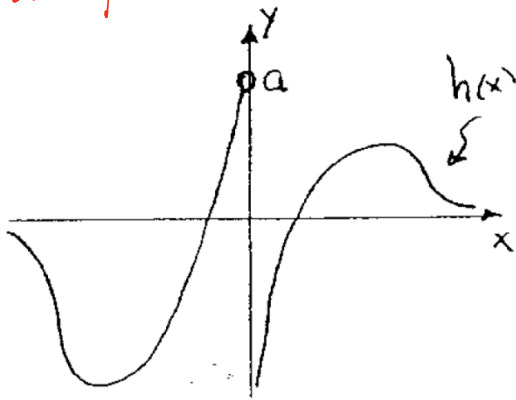
Jump



$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} h(x) = c \neq d = \lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} h(x)$$

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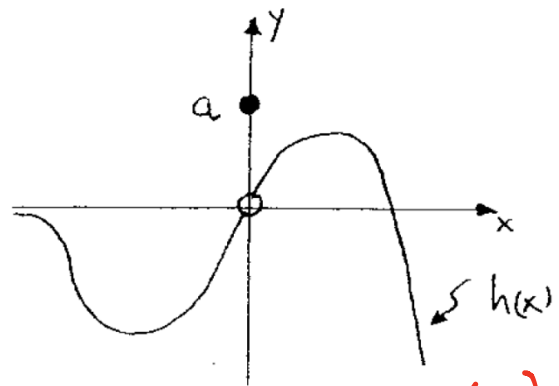
Inf.



$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} h(x) = -\infty$$

25.

Rem.



$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} h(x) = 0 \neq h(0) = a$$

26. Explain why $f(x) = -2x^2 - 5x + 6$ has a root in the interval $[0,1]$.

$f(x)$ is cont. \mathbb{R} b/c polynomial.

$$f(0) = 6$$

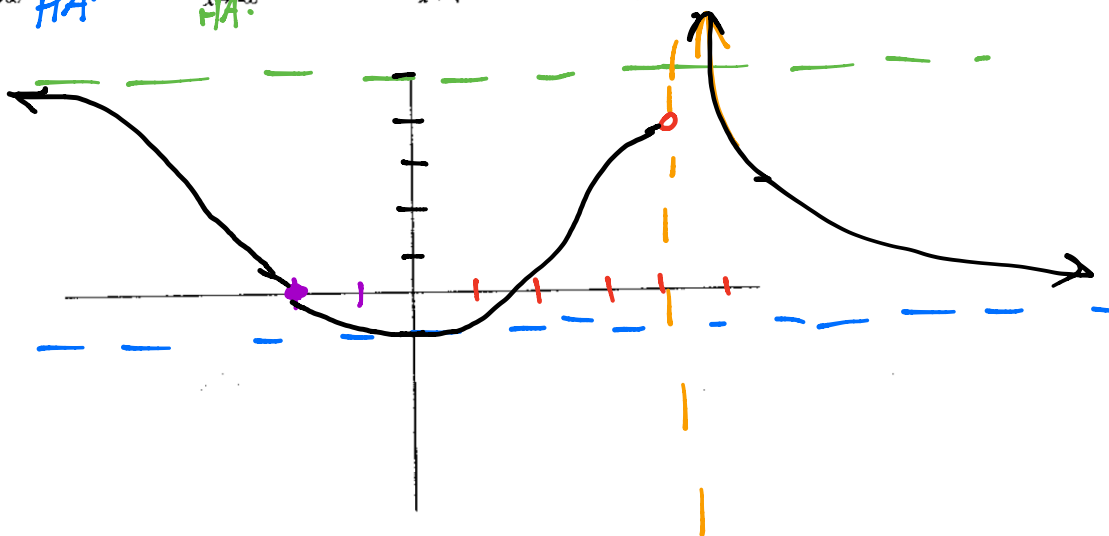
$$f(1) = -2(1)^2 - 5 \cdot 1 + 6 = -1$$

By IVT, there exists some $c \in (0,1)$ such that $f(c) = 0$ because

$$6 \geq 0 \geq -1 \\ f(0) \geq f(c) \geq f(1)$$

27. Graph a possible graph for the function $H(x)$ satisfying the following conditions:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} H(x) = -1 \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} H(x) = 5 \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 4^+} H(x) = 4 \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 4^-} H(x) = \infty \quad \text{and} \quad H(-2) = 0$$



Bonus: Find

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{-5 + 3x}{4 - 3x}}{\frac{5x^6 - 2x - 1}{3 - 7x^3 - x + 2x^5}}$$

$$\frac{\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-5 + 3x}{4 - 3x}}{\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{5x^6 - 2x - 1}{3 - 7x^3 - x + 2x^5}} = \frac{-1}{\infty} = 0$$