

# Minitest 1A - MTH 1410

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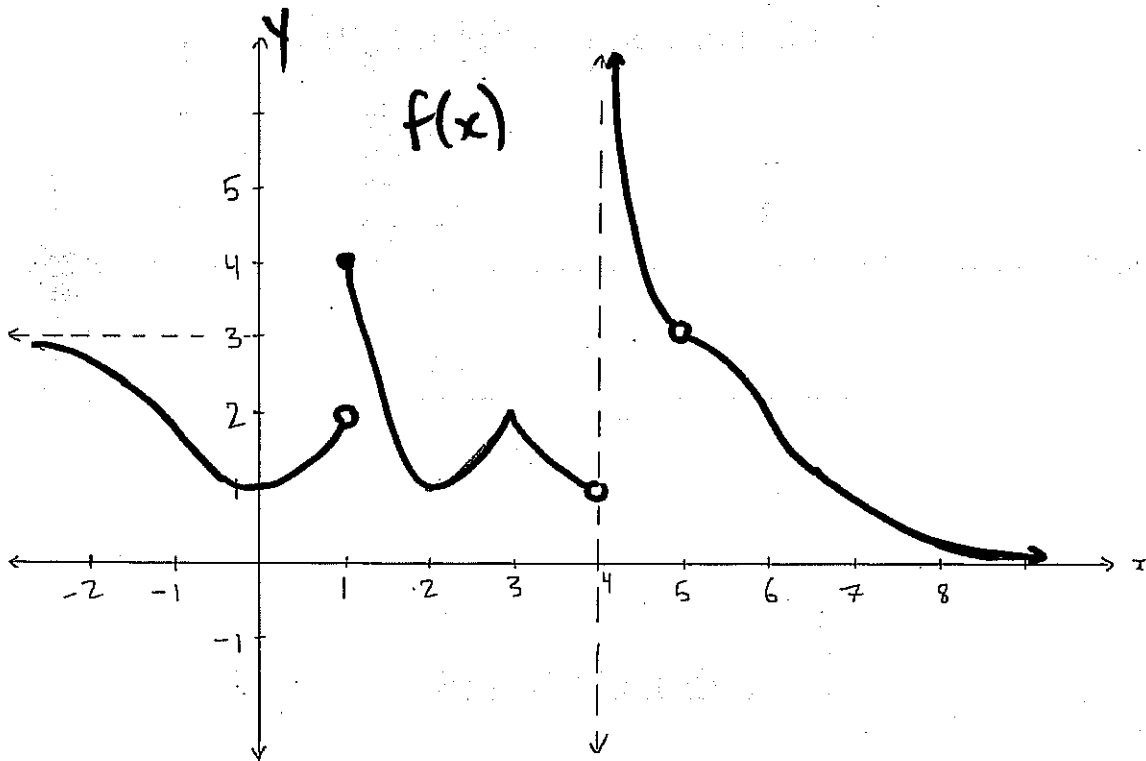
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## DIRECTIONS

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6. Number of questions = 5. Total Points = 35.

1. (6 points) Use the following graph to evaluate the expressions below.



(a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x) = \text{dne}$

(b)  $f(3) = 2$

(c)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4^-} f(x) = 1$

(d)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5^+} f(x) = 3$

(e)  $f(5) = \text{dne}$

(f)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow (-\infty)} f(x) = 3$

2. (9 points) The following function  $f(x)$  is discontinuous at 3 different values of  $x$ .

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x-3}{x^2-9} & \text{if } x < 4 \\ 2 & \text{if } x = 4 \\ \frac{x}{28} & \text{if } x > 4 \end{cases}$$

(a) What are the three  $x$ -values where  $f$  is discontinuous?

(b) For each point of discontinuity, briefly explain why it is discontinuous. You must explain what part of the definition of continuity it fails in order to receive full points. A graph may help, but is not enough by itself.

(c) At one of the  $x$ -values there is a vertical asymptote. Which one is it?

(a)  $\frac{x-3}{(x-3)(x+3)} \Rightarrow$  at  $x = -3, x = 3,$  and  $x = 4$  } 3

(b) At  $x = 3$  and  $x = -3$ ,  $f(x)$  is discontinuous because  $f(3)$  and  $f(-3)$  do not exist. Part 1 of continuity?

At  $x = 4$ , the limit exists because

(d)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4^-} = \frac{4-3}{4^2-9} = \frac{1}{7}$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4^+} = \frac{4}{28} = \frac{1}{7}$

$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 4} f(x) = \frac{1}{7}$

but  $f(4) = 2$ , so  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} f(x) \neq f(4)$ .

(c)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow (-3)^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow (-3)^-} \frac{(x-3)}{(x-3)(x+3)} = \frac{1}{0} \Rightarrow \frac{+}{-} \Rightarrow -\infty$  } 2  
 So there is a vertical asympt. at  $x = -3$

3. (4 points) Use a table of values to estimate each limit.

$$(a) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{\sin x}{x} =$$

$x$	-0.1	-0.01	-0.0001
$f(x)$	$\approx 0.998$	$\approx 0.99998$	$\approx 1$

$$\Rightarrow \text{limit} = 1$$

$$(b) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\cos x}{x} =$$

$x$	0.1	0.01	0.0001
$f(x)$	9.95	99.99	10000

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\cos}{x} = \infty.$$

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4. (8 points) Calculate each limit. Explain your reasoning or show it mathematically. If the limit does not exist, explain (briefly) why.

$$(a) \lim_{x \rightarrow (-2)^-} \frac{x^2 + 2x}{x^2 + 4x + 4} = \lim_{x \rightarrow (-2)^-} \frac{x(x+2)}{(x+2)(x+2)} = \frac{-2}{0} \Rightarrow \infty \text{ or } -\infty$$

As  $x \rightarrow (-2)^-$  top is negative and

$(x+2)$  is negative  $\Rightarrow \frac{-}{-} \Rightarrow \boxed{\infty}$

-0.5 per question for poor notation.

$$(b) \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3x^5 - 8}{x^2 - 13x^5} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3x^5 - 8}{x^2 - 13x^5} \cdot \frac{\frac{1}{x^5}}{\frac{1}{x^5}}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3 - \frac{8}{x^5}}{\frac{1}{x^3} - 13}$$

$$= \frac{3 - 0}{0 - 13} = \boxed{\frac{-3}{13}}$$

5. (8 points) Use the definition of the derivative to calculate  $f'(2)$  for  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ .

$$f'(2) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(2+h) - f(2)}{h}$$

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$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left( \frac{1}{2+h} - \frac{1}{2} \right) \cdot \frac{1}{h}$$

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$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2 - (2+h)}{2(2+h)} \cdot \frac{1}{h}$$

✓

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-h}{2(2+h)} \cdot \frac{1}{h}$$

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$$= \boxed{\frac{1}{4}}$$

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Extra Credit(1 point) Calculate  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \sin \frac{\pi}{2}$ .

$$\sin \frac{\pi}{2} = 1$$

$$\text{So } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} 1 = \boxed{1}$$

# Minitest 1B - MTH 1410

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1. (4 points) Use a table of values to estimate each limit.

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

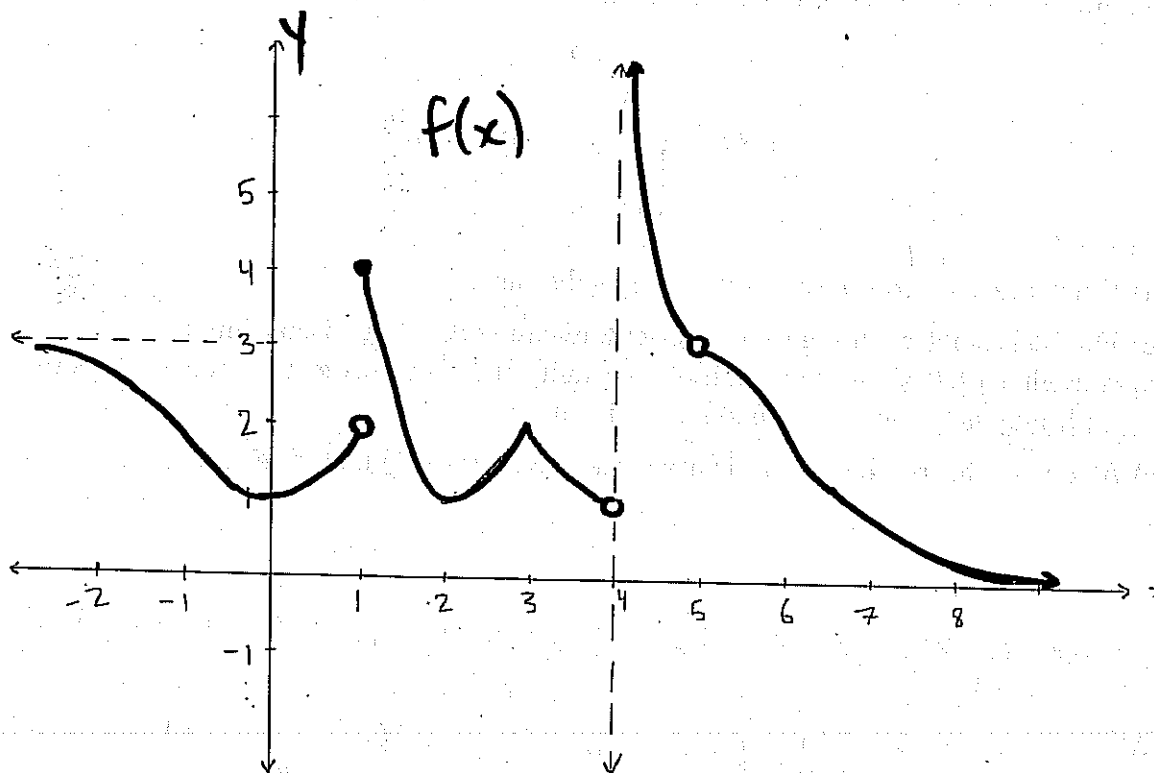
$x$	-0.1	-0.001	-0.0001
$f(x)$			

(b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\sin x}{x} =$

$x$	0.1	0.01	0.0001
$f(x)$			



2. (6 points) Use the following graph to evaluate the expressions below.



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

(b)  $f(1) = 4$

(c)  $f(2) = 1$

(d)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4^+} f(x) = \infty$  (DNE)

(e)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} f(x) = 3$

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

3. (9 points) The following function  $f(x)$  is discontinuous at 3 different values of  $x$ .

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x-2}{x^2-4} & \text{if } x < 6 \\ 5 & \text{if } x = 6 \\ \frac{x}{48} & \text{if } x > 6 \end{cases}$$

- (a) What are the three  $x$ -values where  $f$  is discontinuous?
- (b) For each point of discontinuity, briefly explain why it is discontinuous. You must explain what part of the definition of continuity it fails in order to receive full points. A graph may help, but is not enough by itself.
- (c) At one of the  $x$ -values there is a vertical asymptote. Which one is it?

(a) At  $x=6$  (where there is the break in the functions)  
 At  $x=2$  and  $x=-2$  because of the  $x^2-4$  on bottom

(b) At  $x=6$ ,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 6^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 6^+} \frac{x}{48} = \frac{6}{48} = \frac{1}{8}$ .

But  $f(6) = 5$ , and thus  $f(6) \neq \lim_{x \rightarrow 6} f(x)$  so we are not continuous

At  $x=2$  and  $x=-2$ , both  $f(2) = \frac{0}{0}$  and  $f(-2) = \frac{-4}{0}$  do not exist, so it fails that part of continuity.

(c)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow (-2)^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow (-2)^-} \frac{x-2}{x^2-4} = \lim_{x \rightarrow (-2)^-} \frac{x-2}{(x-2)(x+2)} =$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow (-2)^-} \frac{1}{x+2} = \frac{1}{0} = \frac{+}{-} = -\infty$$

limit goes to  $-\infty$  so have a vertical asymptote @  $x = -2$

4. (8 points) Calculate each limit. Explain your reasoning or show it mathematically. If the limit does not exist, explain (briefly) why.

$$(a) \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{11x^5 - 8}{x^2 - 7x^5} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{11x^5 - 8}{x^2 - 7x^5} \cdot \frac{\frac{1}{x^5}}{\frac{1}{x^5}}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{11 - \frac{8}{x^5}}{\frac{1}{x^3} - 7}$$

$$= \frac{11 - 0}{0 - 7} =$$

$$\boxed{\frac{-11}{7}}$$

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

$$= \frac{-27 - 9}{9 - 27 + 9} = \frac{-36}{-9} = \boxed{4}$$

5. (8 points) Use the definition of the derivative to calculate  $f'(5)$  for  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} f'(5) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(5+h) - f(5)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left( \frac{1}{5+h} - \frac{1}{5} \right) \frac{1}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cancel{5} - (5+h)}{5(5+h)} \cdot \frac{1}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-\cancel{h}}{5(5+h)} \cdot \frac{1}{\cancel{h}} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-1}{5(5+h)} \\ &= \boxed{\frac{-1}{25}} \end{aligned}$$

Extra Credit (1 point) Calculate  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \sin \frac{\pi}{2}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \sin \frac{\pi}{2} &= 1 \\ \Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} 1 &= \boxed{1} \end{aligned}$$