

Calculus 1, Practise Course

5th week

I. Limits by definitions

1. Proceeding from the definition of the limits prove that

(a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (3x - 8) = -5$

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{3x+1}{5x+4} = \frac{1}{2}$

(c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{x^2-16}{x^2-4x} = 2$

(d) Let

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 3x - 4, & \text{if } x < 0 \\ 2x - 4, & \text{if } \geq 0 \end{cases}.$$

Show that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = -4$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = -4$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = -4$.

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

(f) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{5x+1}{3x+9} = \frac{5}{3}$

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

(h) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{1}{1-x} = \infty$

(i) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{10}{x} = 0$

(j) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x+1}{x} = 2$

(k) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x}{1000} = \infty$

(l) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2+x}{x} = \infty$

2. Suppose that $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) = L$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} g(x) = K$. Using the definition of the limit prove that

(a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} cf(x) = cL$

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) \cdot g(x) = L \cdot K$

- (c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{L}{K}$ provided that $K \neq 0$
 (d) $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \sqrt[n]{f(x)} = \sqrt[n]{L}$ provided that $f(x) > 0$ near x_0 .

II. Some trigonometric limits

1. Using the facts that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = 1$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \cos x = 1$ find the following limits.

- (a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 4x}{x}$
 (b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 4x}{\sin 7x}$
 (c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin ax}{\sin bx}$
 (d) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin^2 2x}{x}$
 (e) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin^2 2x}{x^2}$
 (f) * $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan x - \sin x}{x^3}$
 (g) * $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{1+\tan x}}{\sin x}$
 (h) * $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{\sin x} - \frac{1}{\tan x} \right)$
 (i) * $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1-\cos x}{x^2}$
 (j) * $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\sin 7\pi x}{\sin 3\pi x}$
 (k) ** $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\cos(\pi x/2)}{1-x}$
Hint: Use the substitution $z = 1 - x$.
 (l) ** $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x \sin x}{1-\cos x}$
 (m) ** $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan^2 x + 2x}{x + x^2}$
 (n) ** $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(x+h) - \sin x}{h}$
 (o) * $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\sin(x^2-1)}{x-1}$

III. Infinite limits

1. Determine the following limits.

- (a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{1}{x-2}$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{1}{x-2}$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{1}{x-2}$
 (b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} \frac{2x}{(x-3)^2}$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} \frac{2x}{(x-3)^2}$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{2x}{(x-3)^2}$
 (c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} \frac{x}{|x-1|}$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{x}{|x-1|}$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x}{|x-1|}$
 (d) $\lim_{t \rightarrow 3^+} \frac{1}{\sqrt{t(t-3)}}$, $\lim_{t \rightarrow 3^-} \frac{1}{\sqrt{t(t-3)}}$, $\lim_{t \rightarrow 3} \frac{1}{\sqrt{t(t-3)}}$

- (e) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} \frac{x-4}{x(x+2)}$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^-} \frac{x-4}{x(x+2)}$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \frac{x-4}{x(x+2)}$
- (f) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} \frac{x-3}{\sqrt{x^2-5x+4}}$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{x-3}{\sqrt{x^2-5x+4}}$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x-3}{\sqrt{x^2-5x+4}}$
- (g) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x-3}{x^4-9x^2}$
- (h) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x-3}{x^4-9x^2}$
- (i) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3} \frac{x-3}{x^4-9x^2}$
- (j) $*\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} 3^{\frac{1}{x-1}}$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} 3^{\frac{1}{x-1}}$
- (k) $*\lim_{x \rightarrow -1^+} 3^{\frac{1}{x+1}}$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1^-} 3^{\frac{1}{x+1}}$
- (l) $**\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} 3^{\frac{x-1}{(1-x)^2}}$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} 3^{\frac{x-1}{(1-x)^2}}$