

approach 0. To do this we use our knowledge of the sine function. Because the sine of any number lies between -1 and 1 , we can write

$$\boxed{4} \quad -1 \leq \sin \frac{1}{x} \leq 1$$

Any inequality remains true when multiplied by a positive number. We know that $x^2 \geq 0$ for all x and so, multiplying each side of the inequalities in $\boxed{4}$ by x^2 , we get

$$-x^2 \leq x^2 \sin \frac{1}{x} \leq x^2$$

as illustrated by Figure 8. We know that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^2 = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (-x^2) = 0$$

Taking $f(x) = -x^2$, $g(x) = x^2 \sin(1/x)$, and $h(x) = x^2$ in the Squeeze Theorem, we obtain

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^2 \sin \frac{1}{x} = 0$$

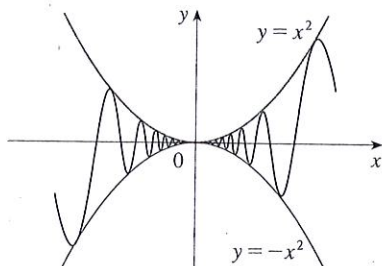


FIGURE 8
 $y = x^2 \sin(1/x)$

2.3 Exercises

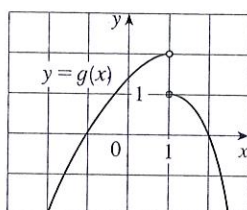
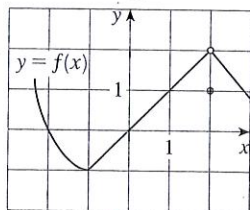
1. Given that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = 4 \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} g(x) = -2 \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} h(x) = 0$$

find the limits that exist. If the limit does not exist, explain why.

- (a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} [f(x) + 5g(x)] = 4 + 5(-2) = -6$
- (b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} [g(x)]^3 = (-2)^3 = -8$
- (c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{\sqrt{f(x)}}{\sqrt{4}} = \frac{2}{2} = 1$
- (d) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{3f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{3(4)}{-2} = -6$
- (e) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{g(x)}{h(x)} = \frac{-2}{0} = \text{DNE}$
- (f) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{g(x)h(x)}{f(x)} = \frac{-2(0)}{4} = 0$

2. The graphs of f and g are given. Use them to evaluate each limit, if it exists. If the limit does not exist, explain why.



- (a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} [f(x) + g(x)] = 2 + 0 = 2$
- (b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} [f(x) + g(x)] = 1 + \text{DNE} = \text{DNE}$
- (c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} [f(x)g(x)] = 0 \cdot 1.5 = 0$
- (d) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{-1}{-1} = 1$
- (e) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} [x^3 f(x)] = (2^3) \cdot 0 = 0$
- (f) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\sqrt{3 + f(x)}}{\sqrt{3 + 1}} = \frac{\sqrt{4}}{\sqrt{4}} = 1$

Graphing calculator or computer required

1. Homework Hints available at stewartcalculus.com

3-9 Evaluate the limit and justify each step by indicating the appropriate Limit Law(s).

- 3. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} (5x^3 - 3x^2 + x - 6) = 5(3)^3 - 3(3)^2 + 3 - 6 = 105$
- 4. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} (x^4 - 3x)(x^2 + 5x + 3) = -4$
- 5. $\lim_{t \rightarrow -2} \frac{t^4 - 2}{2t^2 - 3t + 2} = \frac{7}{8}$
- 6. $\lim_{u \rightarrow -2} \sqrt{u^4 + 3u + 6} = 4$
- 7. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 8} (1 + \sqrt[3]{x})(2 - 6x^2 + x^3) = 390$
- 8. $\lim_{t \rightarrow 2} \left(\frac{t^2 - 2}{t^3 - 3t + 5} \right)^2 = \frac{4}{49}$
- 9. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \sqrt{\frac{2x^2 + 1}{3x - 2}} = \sqrt{\frac{2(2)^2 + 1}{3(2) - 2}} = \frac{3}{2}$

10. (a) What is wrong with the following equation?

$$\text{not defined at } x=2 \rightarrow \frac{x^2 + x - 6}{x - 2} = x + 3 \leftarrow \text{defined everywhere}$$

(b) In view of part (a), explain why the equation

is correct. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^2 + x - 6}{x - 2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} (x + 3)$

there is a hole at $x=2$ on the first graph, however the limit is still approaching 5 on either side of $x=2$

Limits Algebraically

Find the following limits:

substitution

1. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} (x^2 - x + 1)$

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

2. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \left(\frac{2x+1}{3x-2} \right)$

$= \frac{2+1}{3-2} = \boxed{3}$

3. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (\sqrt{10x-1})$

$= \sqrt{10-1} = \boxed{3}$

4. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \left(\frac{x^2 - x - 2}{x - 2} \right)$

$\frac{1-1-2}{1-2} = \boxed{2}$

5. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \left(\frac{x^2 - x - 2}{4x - 2} \right)$

$\frac{4-2-2}{8-2} = \boxed{0}$

6. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \left(\frac{\sqrt{x} - 2}{2x - 4} \right)$

$= \frac{2-2}{8-4} = \boxed{0}$

7. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \left(\frac{x^2 - 9}{7x + 3} \right)$

$\frac{9-9}{-21+3} = \boxed{0}$

8. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \left(\frac{x^2 - 9}{2x^2 + 7x} \right)$

$= \frac{9-9}{2(-3)^2 + 7(-3)} = \boxed{0}$

9. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 9} \left(\frac{\sqrt{x} - 3}{-9} \right)$

$\frac{3-3}{-9} = \boxed{0}$

10. $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{(1+h)^2 - 1^2}{-4h} \right)$

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11. $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{(3+h)^2 - 3^2}{3h} \right)$

12. $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{(x+h)^2 - x^2}{2h} \right)$

Find the following limits for the piecewise function: $f(x) =$

$\boxed{x+1 / x < 2}$
 $\boxed{x^2 - 2 / 2 < x < 4}$
 $\boxed{\sqrt{x+5} / x \geq 4}$

13. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x)$

2

14. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x)$

2

15. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x)$

2

16. $f(1)$

2

17. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x)$

2

18. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x)$

3

19. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x)$

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20. $f(2)$

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21. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} f(x)$

7

22. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} f(x)$

7

23. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x)$

7

24. $f(3)$

7

25. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4^+} f(x)$

3

26. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4^-} f(x)$

14

27. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} f(x)$

DNE

28. $f(4)$

3