

* Limits

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* In this lecture we will use limits to describe the way the function f varies.

* Some functions vary continuously, small changes in x produce only small changes in $f(x)$. Other functions can have values that jump or vary erratically.

* The notion of limit gives a precise way to distinguish between these behaviors.

* If the values of $f(x)$ can be made as close as we like to L by taking values of x sufficiently close to a (but not equal to a) then we write:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L$$

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which is read "the limit of $f(x)$ as x approaches a is L ".

* Some basic Limits

Let a and k be real numbers:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} k = k$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} x = a$$

* Example:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 25} 3 = 3$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} 3 = 3, \lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} 3 = 3$$

* Properties of Limits:

Let a be a real number and suppose that:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L \quad , \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = M$$

then:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a.) } \lim_{x \rightarrow a} [f(x) + g(x)] &= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) + \lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) \\ &= L + M \end{aligned}$$

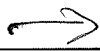
$$\begin{aligned} \text{b.) } \lim_{x \rightarrow a} [f(x) - g(x)] &= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) - \lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) \\ &= L - M \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{c.) } \lim_{x \rightarrow a} [f(x) \cdot g(x)] &= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) \\ &= L \cdot M \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{d.) } \lim_{x \rightarrow a} [f(x)/g(x)] = \frac{\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)}{\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)} = \frac{L}{M}$$

provided
 $M \neq 0$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 e.) \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \sqrt[n]{f(x)} &= \sqrt[n]{\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)} \\
 &= \sqrt[n]{L} \quad \text{provided } L \geq 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Example: Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} (x^2 - 4x + 3)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 25 - 20 + 3 \\
 &= 8
 \end{aligned}$$

*Right side Limit and Left side Limit

Definition: A function $f(x)$ has a limit as x approaches a if and only if the Right side and the Left side Limits at a exist and are equal.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L \iff \lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x) = L$$

* Example: Let

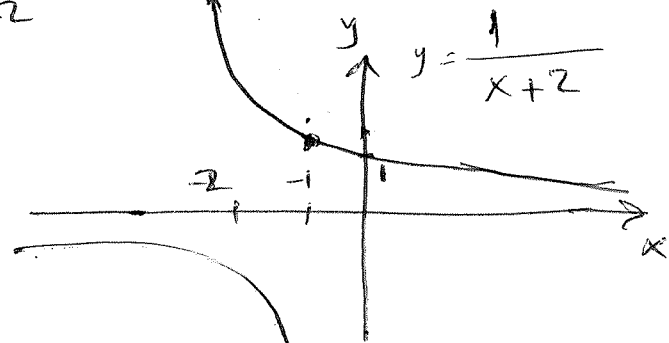
$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1/(x+2) & x < -2 \\ x^2 - 5 & -2 < x \leq 3 \\ \sqrt{x+13} & x > 3 \end{cases}$$

Find (a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} f(x)$, (b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$, (c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x)$

Solution:

(a) As x approaches -2 from the left, the formula for f is $f(x) = \frac{1}{x+2}$ so that:

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



As x approaches -2 from the right, the formula for f is $f(x) = x^2 - 5$, so that:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} (x^2 - 5) = (-2)^2 - 5 = -1$$

(5) Since $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^-} f(x) \neq \lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} f(x)$ $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \lim_{x \rightarrow -2} f(x) \text{ does not} \\ \text{Exist} \end{array} \right.$

$$\textcircled{b} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (x^2 - 5)$$

$$= -5$$

$$\textcircled{c} \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x)$$

As x approaches 3 from the left, the formula for f is $f(x) = (x^2 - 5)$, so that:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} (x^2 - 5)$$

$$= 9 - 5$$

$$= 4$$

As x approaches 3 from the right, the formula for f is $f(x) = \sqrt{x+13}$, so that:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} \sqrt{x+13}$$

$$= \sqrt{16} = 4$$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x) = 4 \quad \text{since} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} f(x)$$

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* Limits at infinity :

Limit as $x \rightarrow \infty$ or $x \rightarrow -\infty$

Example:

$f(x) = 3$ then

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

Example:

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

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{1}{x} = 0$$

* Properties of infinite limits as $x \rightarrow \pm \infty$ are the same properties of limits as $x \rightarrow a$

* Limits of rational function as $x \rightarrow \infty$

Consider the rational function as $f(x) = \frac{p(x)}{q(x)}$

where $p(x)$ and $q(x)$ are polynomials.

a) If the degree of $p(x) > q(x)$ then

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

b) If the degree of $q(x) > p(x)$ then

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

c) If the degree of $q(x) = p(x)$ then

$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)$ is a finite number

* Example :

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

$$p(x) > q(x) \begin{cases} \rightarrow \infty \\ \rightarrow -\infty \end{cases}$$

solution :

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

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

$$= \frac{-4(\infty) + 0}{2 - 0 + 0}$$

$$= \frac{-\infty}{2}$$

$$= -\infty$$

* Example

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{5x^2 + 8x - 3}{3x^2 + 2}$$

$p(x) = q(x) \rightarrow$ Finite Number

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{5 \frac{x^2}{x^2} + \frac{8x}{x^2} - \frac{3}{x^2}}{3 \frac{x^2}{x^2} + \frac{2}{x^2}}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{5 + \frac{8}{x} - \frac{3}{x^2}}{3 + \frac{2}{x^2}}$$

$$= \frac{5 + \frac{8}{\infty} - \frac{3}{\infty}}{3 + \frac{2}{\infty}}$$

$$= \frac{5 + 0 - 0}{3 + 0}$$

$$= \frac{5}{3}$$

$$y = \frac{5}{3}$$

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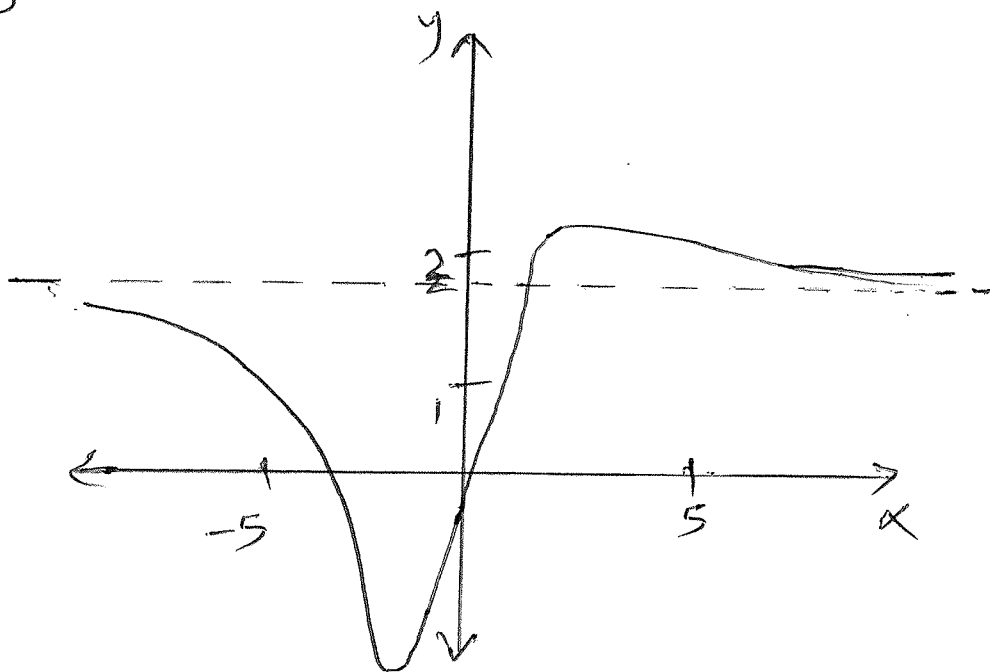


Fig. 2.33

* Example

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{11x + 2}{3x^3 - 1}$$

$$p(x) < q(x)$$

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

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

$$= \frac{0 + 0}{3 - 0}$$

$$= \frac{0}{3} = 0$$

$$= 0$$

$$= 0$$

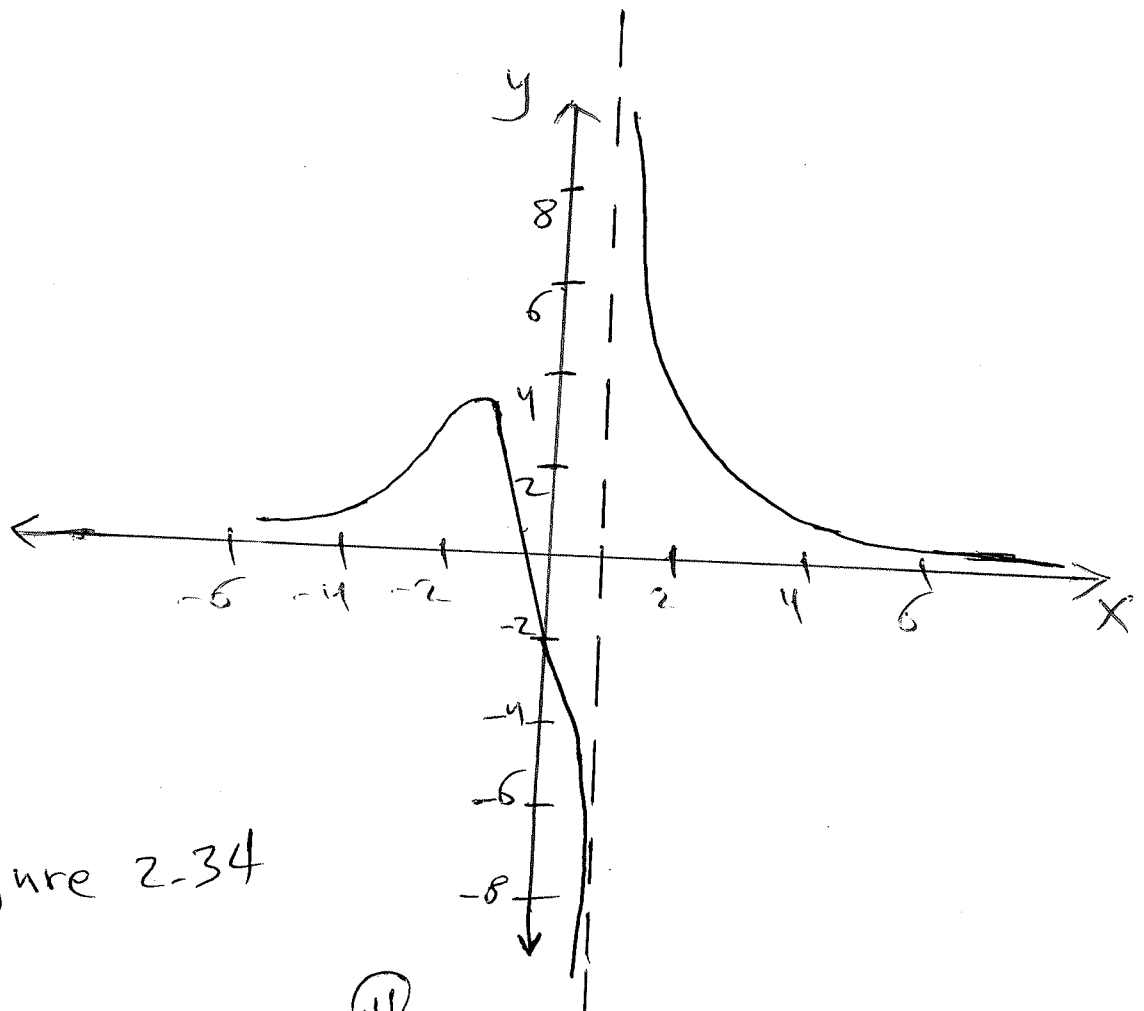


Figure 2.34

Example :

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

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$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\cancel{(x-1)}(x+1)}{\cancel{(x-1)}}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (x+1)$$

$$= 2$$

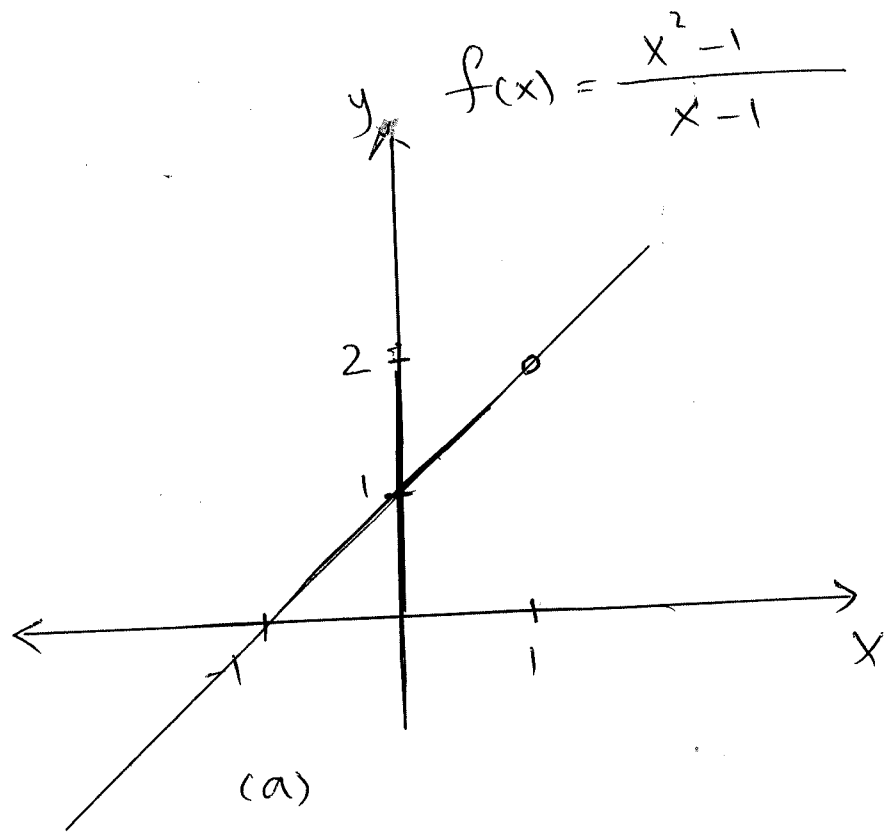
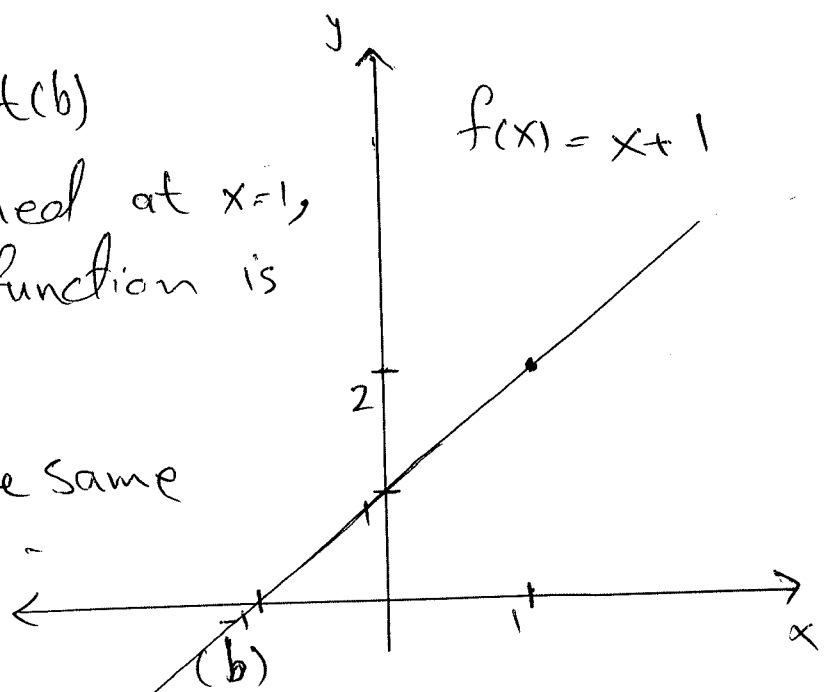


Figure 2.5:
The graph of $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 1}{x - 1}$ in part (a) is the same as the graph of $f(x) = x + 1$ in part (b) except in part (b) the function is defined at $x = 1$, while in part (a) the function is undefined at $x = 1$.

The functions have the same limits as $x \rightarrow 1$.



Example

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^2 + x - 2}{x^2 - x}$$

solution

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

$$= \frac{0}{0} \quad \text{نبتت عن النهاية بطريقة اخرى}$$

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

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x+2}{x}$$

$$= 3$$

Fig. 2.8:

The graph of $f(x) = \frac{x^2 + x - 2}{x^2 - x}$

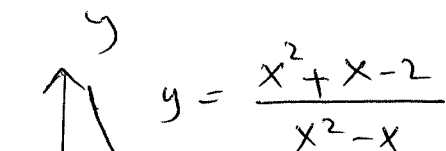
in part (a) is the same

as the graph of $f(x) = \frac{x+2}{x}$

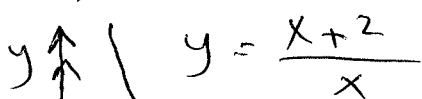
in part (b) except the function

in part (b) is defined at $x=1$.

Both have the same limit as $x \rightarrow 1$.



(a)



(b)

Example :

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + 100} - 10}{x^2}$$

Solution :

$$= \frac{10 - 10}{0} = \frac{0}{0}$$

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$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + 100} - 10}{x^2} * \left(\frac{\sqrt{x^2 + 100} + 10}{\sqrt{x^2 + 100} + 10} \right)$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cancel{x^2} + 100 - 100}{\cancel{x^2} (\sqrt{x^2 + 100} + 10)}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + 100} + 10}$$

$$= \frac{1}{10 + 10}$$

$$= \frac{1}{20}$$

*Example: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{2-x}{(x-2)^3}$

solution

$$= \frac{2-2}{(2-2)^3} = \frac{0}{0}$$

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

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{-\cancel{(x-2)}}{\cancel{(x-2)}^3}$$

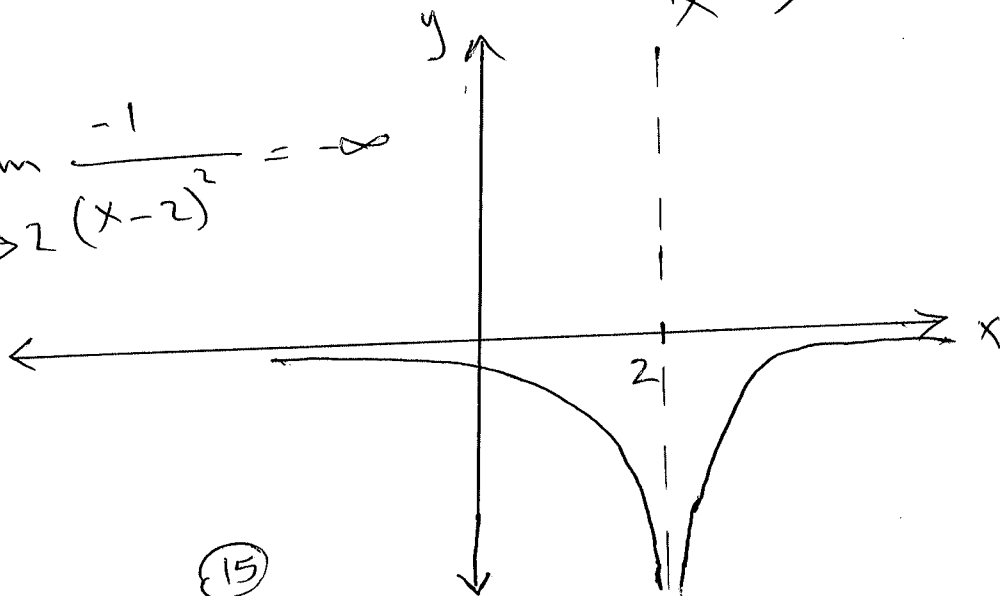
$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{-1}{(x-2)^2}$$

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هذه الدالة عند $x \rightarrow 2$

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



* Example :

$$\textcircled{1} \lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \frac{x+3}{x+2}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x+3}{x+2}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{x+3}{x+2}$$

solution :

$$\textcircled{2} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x+3}{x+2}$$

$$p(x) = q(x)$$

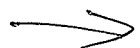
$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{x}{x} + \frac{3}{x}}{\frac{x}{x} + \frac{2}{x}}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 + \frac{3}{x}}{1 + \frac{2}{x}}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 + \frac{3}{\infty}}{1 + \frac{2}{\infty}}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 + 0}{1 + 0}$$

$$= 1$$



$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \frac{x+3}{x+2} \rightarrow$$

solution

$$= \frac{-2+3}{0} = \frac{+1}{0}$$

Undefined Value

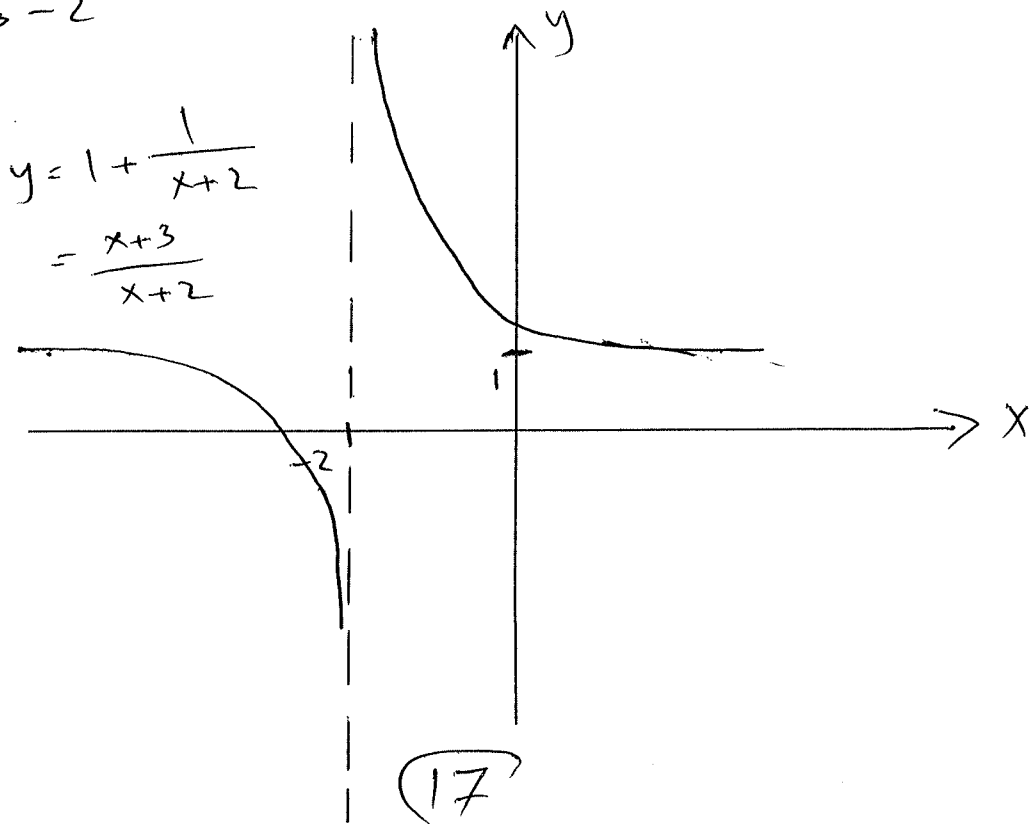
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \frac{x+3}{x+2}$$

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$$\frac{1}{x+2} \sqrt{\frac{x+3}{x+2}}$$

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

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

Does not Exist, because

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} \left(\frac{x+3}{x+2} \right) = +\infty$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^-} \left(\frac{x+3}{x+2} \right) = -\infty$$

} One-sided Limit
not equal

or

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

Note: See Figure 2.7 (contains
on function haven't Limit as
 $x \rightarrow c$)

* Example: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan(x)}{x}$

Solution: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan x}{x} = \frac{0}{0} \quad !!!$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\sin x}{x} * \frac{1}{\cos x} \right)$$

$$= 1 * \frac{1}{1}$$

$$= 1$$

Example: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(2x)}{x} = \frac{0}{0} \quad !!!$

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

Using L'Hopital's Rule

Example: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 3x}{\sin 5x} = \frac{0}{0} \quad !!!$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{\sin 3x}{x} * \frac{3}{3}}{\frac{\sin 5x}{x} * \frac{5}{5}}$$

$$= \frac{3}{5} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{\sin(3x)}{3x}}{\frac{\sin(5x)}{5x}}$$

$$= \frac{3}{5} * \frac{1}{1} = \frac{3}{5}$$

* Limits of trigonometric functions.

* Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = \frac{0}{0}$!!!
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⇒ Using L'Hopital's rule

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)}$$

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

$$= \frac{1}{1} = 1$$

* Example: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos x}{x} = \frac{1-1}{0} = \frac{0}{0}$!!!
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$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{1 - \cos x}{x} * \frac{1 + \cos x}{1 + \cos x} \right]$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{1 - \cos^2 x}{x(1 + \cos x)} \right]$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\sin x}{x} * \frac{\sin x}{1 + \cos x} \right) \\ &= (1) * \frac{0}{2} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

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* Example:

Show that $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos(h) - 1}{h} = 0$

Solution:

Using half angle formula

$$\cos(h) = 1 - 2\sin^2\left(\frac{h}{2}\right)$$

$$\therefore \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - 2\sin^2\left(\frac{h}{2}\right) - 1}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-2\sin^2\left(\frac{h}{2}\right)}{h}$$

$$= -\frac{2}{2} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\sin\left(\frac{h}{2}\right)}{\frac{h}{2}} * \sin\left(\frac{h}{2}\right) \right)$$

$$= -1 * (1 * 0)$$

$$= 0 \quad \#$$

Example: $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x}{e^x} = \frac{\infty}{\infty} \quad !!!$

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Using L'Hopital's rule

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x}{e^x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{e^x} = \frac{1}{\infty} = 0$$

Example: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{\sin x} \right) = \frac{1}{0} - \frac{1}{0} \quad !!!$

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$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{\sin x} \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\sin x - x}{x \cdot \sin x} \right) = \frac{0}{0} \quad !!!$$

∴ So we need to use L'Hopital's rule:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\sin x - x}{x \cdot \sin x} \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\cos x - 1}{\sin x + x \cos x} \right) = \frac{0}{0} \quad !!!$$

∴ So we need to use L'Hopital's rule again:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\cos x - 1}{\sin x + x \cos x} \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{-\sin x}{\cos x + (-x \sin x + \cos x)} \right)$$

$$= \frac{0}{2} = 0$$