

Given

$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = 2$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x) = 3$

Find a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} [5g(x)] = 15$ b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{2}{3}$
 c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} [g(x)f(x)] = 6$ d) $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} [g(x) + f(x)] = 5$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow -3} \frac{x^2 - 4x + 3}{x^2 - 9} = \text{dne}$ 1) D.S. 2) Factor/cancel

1) D.S. = und
 2) $\frac{(x-3)(x-1)}{(x-3)(x+3)} = \frac{-3-1}{-3+3} = \frac{-3-1}{0}$
 $\frac{-3.001}{40,001} \mid \frac{-3}{\text{und}} \mid \frac{-2.999}{-29,999}$
 one-sided limits are different

First another special limit:

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

This will be helpful when trying to algebraically manipulate the limit of certain trig. functions.

$\frac{-0.001}{0} \mid \frac{0}{0.001}$

Indeterminate Forms

A function is of indeterminate form if when $f(x)$ is evaluated at $x = c$, you obtain an undefined expression of the type

$\frac{0}{0}, \frac{\infty}{\infty}, \infty \cdot 0, \infty - \infty$

If a function is of indeterminate form, you must transform the limit algebraically and evaluate the limit as x approaches c .

FACTOR THE NUMERATOR AND DENOMINATOR AND CANCEL COMMON FACTORS

Example: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^2 - 3x + 2}{x - 2} = 1$

1) D.S. \Rightarrow und $\frac{(x-2)(x-1)}{x-2} = 2-1$
 2) F:C

MULTIPLY BY THE CONJUGATE AND CANCEL COMMON FACTORS

Example: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{x+16} - 4}{x}$

1) D.S. \Rightarrow und $\frac{(\sqrt{x+16} + 4)}{(\sqrt{x+16} + 4)}$

$$\frac{x+16-16}{x(\sqrt{x+16} + 4)} = \frac{x}{x(\sqrt{x+16} + 4)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+16} + 4} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{0+16} + 4} = \frac{1}{8}$$

Remember our "special" trig. limit...

Example: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{5x} = \frac{1}{5}$

Constant multiple $\frac{1}{5} \cdot \frac{\sin x}{x}$

$$\frac{1}{5} \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} \right) = \frac{1}{5} \cdot 1 = \frac{1}{5}$$

GET A COMMON DENOMINATOR AND CANCEL COMMON FACTORS

Example: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{1}{x-3} - \frac{6}{x^2-9} = \frac{1}{6}$

1) D.S. \Rightarrow und $\frac{(x+3)}{(x+3)(x-3)} - \frac{6}{(x+3)(x-3)}$

$$\frac{(x+3) - 6}{(x+3)(x-3)}$$

$$\frac{x-3}{(x+3)(x-3)} = \frac{1}{x+3}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3+3} = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{\sqrt[3]{x}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt[3]{x^2}}{\sqrt[3]{x^2}} = \sqrt[3]{x^3} \quad \text{Rationalize the denominator}$$

D.S. \Rightarrow und

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\sin x}{x} \right) \cdot \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt[3]{x^2}}{\sqrt[3]{x^2}} \right)$$

$$1 \cdot 0 = 0$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos x \tan x}{x}$$

D.S. \Rightarrow und

$$\frac{\cos x \cdot \frac{\sin x}{\cos x}}{x} = \frac{\sin x}{x}$$

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

$\tan x = \frac{\sin x}{\cos x}$
 $\sec x = \frac{1}{\cos x}$
 $\csc x = \frac{1}{\sin x}$
 $\cot x = \frac{\cos x}{\sin x}$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan^2 x}{x}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan x}{x} \cdot \tan x = \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} \cdot \frac{\sin x}{\cos x}$$

$$\frac{\sin x}{\cos x} \cdot \frac{1}{x} \cdot \frac{\sin x}{\cos x}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\sin x}{x} \right) \left(\frac{1}{\cos x} \right) \left(\tan x \right) \text{ or } \frac{\sin x}{\cos x}$$

$$1 \cdot \frac{1}{\cos 0} \cdot \frac{\sin 0}{\cos 0}$$

$$1 \cdot 1 \cdot 0 = 0$$

Reverse Rationalize to Simplify

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{\sqrt{x+1} - 2}{x-3} \cdot \frac{(\sqrt{x+1} + 2)}{(\sqrt{x+1} + 2)}$$

1) D.S. \Rightarrow und

$$\frac{x+1-4}{(x-3)(\sqrt{x+1} + 2)} = \frac{x-3}{(\cancel{x-3})(\sqrt{x+1} + 2)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{8+1} + 2} = \frac{1}{4}$$

Sketch a possible graph for a function that satisfies the following conditions:

- (a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = 1$
- (b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = -1$
- (c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x) = 0$
- (d) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x) = 1$
- (e) $f(2) = 1$
- (f) $f(0)$ is undefined

