

Bellwork...Discuss last night's homework with someone, please.

Formative Assessment on Limits & Continuity

What needs to be in place in order for a limit to exist?

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

$$f(x) = \frac{2x^2 + x + k}{x^2 - 2x - 3}$$

Find $k \Rightarrow$
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x)$ exists

When we plug in $x=3$, the denom = 0.

$$x^2 - 2x - 3 = (x-3)(x+1)$$

We need to create a factor of $x-3$ in the numerator to cancel w/ the $x-3$ in the denominator. This will make $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x)$ exist.

$$2x^2 + x + k = (2x + g)(x - 3)$$

$$-6x + gx = 1x$$

$$-3g = k$$

$$g = 7$$

$$k = -21$$

$$\frac{2x^2 + x - 21}{(2x + 7)(x - 3)}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{2x^2 + x - 21}{x^2 - 2x - 3} = \frac{2 \cdot 3^2 + 3 - 21}{3^2 - 6 - 3} = \frac{0}{0}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{(2x + 7)(x - 3)}{(x + 1)(x - 3)}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{2x + 7}{x + 1} = \frac{2 \cdot 3 + 7}{3 + 1} = \left(\frac{13}{4} \right)$$

21. Given two functions $f(x)$ and $h(x)$ such that $f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 - 4x + 12$ and

$$h(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{f(x)}{x-3} & \text{for } x \neq 3 \\ p & \text{for } x = 3 \end{cases}$$

- Find all zeros of the function f .
- Find the value of p so that the function h is continuous at $x = 3$. Justify your answer.
- Using the value of p found in (b), determine whether h is an even function. Justify your answer.

$$x^3 - 3x^2 - 4x + 12 = 0$$

$$x^2(x-3) - 4(x-3) = 0$$

$$(x-3)(x^2-4) = 0$$

$$(x-3)(x-2)(x+2) = 0$$

$$x = 2, -2, 3$$

$$h(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{(x-3)(x-2)(x+2)}{x-3}, & x \neq 3 \\ p, & x = 3 \end{cases}$$

$$(3-2)(3+2) = 5$$

$$p = 5$$