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Evaluating Limits Analytically

- Evaluate a limit using properties of limits.
- Develop and use a strategy for finding limits.
- Evaluate a limit using dividing out and rationalizing techniques.
- Evaluate a limit using the Squeeze Theorem.

$$45.) \lim_{x \rightarrow -1} \frac{x^2 - 1}{x + 1} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -1} \frac{(x+1)(x-1)}{x+1}$$
$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow -1} \frac{x-1}{1} = -2$$

$$(61.) \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2(x + \Delta x) - 2x}{\Delta x}$$

$$\lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2x + 2\Delta x - 2x}{\Delta x}$$

$$\lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} 2$$

$$2$$

let $\Delta x = h$

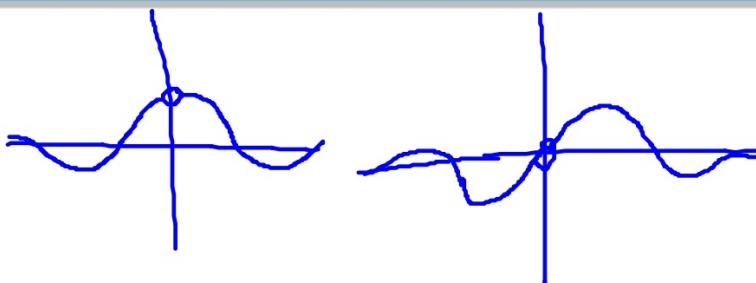
Strategy for finding limits

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1. Direct Substitution
2. Algebraic techniques
(factoring or rationalizing or simplifying)
3. Special Cases

THEOREM 1.9 TWO SPECIAL TRIGONOMETRIC LIMITS

$$1. \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = 1 \quad 2. \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos x}{x} = 0$$



Ex 1

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{3(1 - \cos x)}{x}$$

$$3 \left[\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos x}{x} \right]$$

$$3 \cdot 0 \\ 0$$

Ex 2

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 3t}{2t}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 3t}{t} \cdot \frac{3}{3}$$

$$\frac{3}{2} \left[\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 3t}{3t} \right]$$

$$\frac{3}{2} \cdot 1 = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 4x}{11x} = \frac{4}{11} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(4x)}{x} \cdot \frac{4}{4}$$

$$\frac{4}{11} \left[\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 4x}{4x} \right]$$

$$\frac{4}{11} \cdot 1$$
$$\frac{4}{11}$$

Ex 4: Given $f(x) = 5x - 2$, $f(x+h) = 5(x+h) - 2$

find $\lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x + \Delta x) - f(x)}{\Delta x}$ let $\Delta x = h$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{5(x+h) - 2 - (5x - 2)}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{5x + 5h - 2 - 5x + 2}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{5h}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 5 = 5$$

$$(x+h)^2 = x^2 + 2xh + h^2$$

$$3(x+h)^2 = 3(x^2 + 2xh + h^2)$$

$$59.) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1 \cdot 3(3+x)}{3+x} - \frac{1 \cdot 3(3+x)}{3}}{x \cdot 3(3+x)} \quad \text{LCD: } 3(3+x)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{3 - (3+x)}{3x(3+x)} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-1}{3(3+x)}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{3-3-x}{3x(3+x)} \quad -\frac{1}{9}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-x}{3x(3+x)}$$

$$f(x) = 2x^2 + 3x - 1 \quad f(x+h) = 2(x+h)^2 + 3(x+h) - 1$$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2(x+h)^2 + 3(x+h) - 1 - (2x^2 + 3x - 1)}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cancel{2x^2} + 4xh + \cancel{2h^2} + \cancel{3x} + \cancel{3h} - \cancel{1} - \cancel{2x} - \cancel{3x} + \cancel{1}}{h}$$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{4xh + \cancel{2h^2} + 3h}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h(4x + 2h + 3)}{h}$$

$$= 4x + 3$$