

LIMITS

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In each of the problems, evaluate the limit if it exists. Indicate any limit laws that you use. If the limit does not exist, explain why.

1. Use the limits

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

to complete each of the following.

$$(a) \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} [f(x) + 5g(x)] \quad (c) \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \sqrt{f(x)} \quad (e) \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{g(x)}{h(x)}$$

$$(b) \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} [g(x)]^3 \quad (d) \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{3f(x)}{g(x)} \quad (f) \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{g(x)h(x)}{f(x)}$$

2. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} (x^4 - 3x)(x^2 + 5x + 3)$

3. $\lim_{u \rightarrow -2} \sqrt{u^4 + 3u + 6}$

4. $\lim_{t \rightarrow 2} \left(\frac{t^2 - 2}{t^3 - 3t + 5} \right)^2$

5. $\lim_{t \rightarrow -3} \frac{t^2 - 9}{2t^2 + 7t + 3}$

6. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3} \frac{x^2 + 3x}{x^2 - x - 12}$

7. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \frac{x + 2}{x^3 + 8}$

[Hint: $x^3 + a^3 = (x + a)(x^2 - ax + a^2)$]

8. $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(2+h)^3 - 8}{h}$

9. $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{t} - \frac{1}{t^2 + t} \right)$

10. $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\sqrt{1+t} - \sqrt{1-t}}{t} \right)$