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Very short answer questions

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- 2 marks
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(a) Evaluate $\tan\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right)$.

Answer: $\sqrt{3}$ **Solution:**

$$\sin \pi/3 = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \qquad \cos \pi/3 = \frac{1}{2} \qquad \text{so } \tan \pi/3 = \sqrt{3}$$

Else draw the appropriate $2 : 1 : \sqrt{3}$ triangle.

(b) Compute $\lim_{t \rightarrow -1} \left(\frac{t-2}{t+3} \right)$.

Answer: $-3/2$ **Solution:**

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

Short answer questions — you must show your work

- 2.
- 4 marks
- Each part is worth 2 marks.

(a) Find all solutions to $x^3 - 3x^2 - x + 3 = 0$

Solution:

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

So solutions are $x = -1, 1, 3$.

(b) Compute the limit $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x-2}{x^2-4}$

Solution: If try naively then we get $0/0$, so we simplify first:

$$\frac{x-2}{x^2-4} = \frac{x-2}{(x-2)(x+2)} = \frac{1}{x+2}$$

Hence the limit is $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{1}{x+2} = 1/4$.

Long answer question — you must show your work

3. 4 marks Compute the limit $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\sqrt{x+2} - \sqrt{4-x}}{x-1}$.

Solution: If we try to do the limit naively we get $0/0$. Hence we must simplify.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\sqrt{x+2} - \sqrt{4-x}}{x-1} &= \frac{\sqrt{x+2} - \sqrt{4-x}}{x-1} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x+2} + \sqrt{4-x}}{\sqrt{x+2} + \sqrt{4-x}} \\ &= \frac{(x+2) - (4-x)}{(x-1)(\sqrt{x+2} + \sqrt{4-x})} \\ &= \frac{2x-2}{(x-1)(\sqrt{x+2} + \sqrt{4-x})} \\ &= \frac{2}{\sqrt{x+2} + \sqrt{4-x}} \end{aligned}$$

So the limit is

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\sqrt{x+2} - \sqrt{4-x}}{x-1} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{2}{\sqrt{x+2} + \sqrt{4-x}} \\ &= \frac{2}{\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{3}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \end{aligned}$$

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(a) Compute $\tan\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right)$.

Answer: $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$

Solution:

$$\cos \pi/6 = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \qquad \sin \pi/6 = \frac{1}{2} \qquad \text{so } \tan \pi/6 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

Else draw the appropriate 2 : 1 : $\sqrt{3}$ triangle.

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

Answer: $-7/2$

Solution:

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow -2} \left(\frac{t-5}{t+4}\right) = \frac{\lim_{t \rightarrow -2}(t-5)}{\lim_{t \rightarrow -2}(t+4)} = -7/2.$$

Short answer questions — you must show your work

- 2.
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(a) Find all solutions to $x^3 - x^2 - 4x + 4 = 0$

Solution:

$$x^3 - x^2 - 4x + 4 = x^2(x-1) - 4(x-1) = (x^2-4)(x-1) = (x-2)(x+2)(x-1)$$

So solutions are $x = 2, -2, 1$.

(b) Compute the limit $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x-3}{x^2-9}$

Solution: If try naively then we get 0/0, so we simplify first:

$$\frac{x-3}{x^2-9} = \frac{x-3}{(x-3)(x+3)} = \frac{1}{x+3}$$

Hence the limit is $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{1}{x+3} = 1/6$.

Long answer question — you must show your work

3. 4 marks Compute the limit $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{\sqrt{x-2} - \sqrt{4-x}}{x-3}$.

Solution: If we try to do the limit naively we get $0/0$. Hence we must simplify.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\sqrt{x-2} - \sqrt{4-x}}{x-3} &= \frac{\sqrt{x-2} - \sqrt{4-x}}{x-3} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x-2} + \sqrt{4-x}}{\sqrt{x-2} + \sqrt{4-x}} \\ &= \frac{(x-2) - (4-x)}{(x-3)(\sqrt{x-2} + \sqrt{4-x})} \\ &= \frac{2x-6}{(x-3)(\sqrt{x-2} + \sqrt{4-x})} \\ &= \frac{2}{\sqrt{x-2} + \sqrt{4-x}} \end{aligned}$$

So the limit is

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{\sqrt{x-2} - \sqrt{4-x}}{x-3} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{2}{\sqrt{x-2} + \sqrt{4-x}} \\ &= \frac{2}{1+1} \\ &= 1. \end{aligned}$$

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1. 2 marks Each part is worth 1 mark. Please write your answers in the boxes.

(a) Evaluate $\csc\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right)$.

Answer: $\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$

Solution:

$$\sin \pi/3 = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \qquad \csc \theta = \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \qquad \text{so } \csc \pi/3 = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$$

Else draw the appropriate $2 : 1 : \sqrt{3}$ triangle.

(b) Compute $\lim_{t \rightarrow -1} \left(\frac{t^2}{t-1} \right)$.

Answer: $-1/2$

Solution:

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow -1} \left(\frac{t^2}{t-1} \right) = \frac{\lim_{t \rightarrow -1} (t^2)}{\lim_{t \rightarrow -1} (t-1)} = -1/2.$$

Short answer questions — you must show your work

2. 4 marks Each part is worth 2 marks.

(a) Let $f(x) = 3x^2 - 7x - 3$ and $g(x) = 2x^2 - 6x + 3$. Find all values of x for which $f(x) = g(x)$.

Solution:

$$3x^2 - 7x - 3 = 2x^2 - 6x + 3 \quad \Leftrightarrow x^2 - x - 6 = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow (x-3)(x+2) = 0$$

So solutions are $x = 3, -2$.

(b) Compute the limit $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \frac{x+2}{x^2-4}$

Solution: If try naively then we get $0/0$, so we simplify first:

$$\frac{x+2}{x^2-4} = \frac{x+2}{(x-2)(x+2)} = \frac{1}{x-2}$$

Hence the limit is $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \frac{1}{x-2} = -1/4$.

Long answer question — you must show your work

3. 4 marks Compute the limit $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\sqrt{3x+5} - \sqrt{2x+6}}{x-1}$.

Solution: If we try to do the limit naively we get $0/0$. Hence we must simplify.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\sqrt{3x+5} - \sqrt{2x+6}}{x-1} &= \frac{\sqrt{3x+5} - \sqrt{2x+6}}{x-1} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3x+5} + \sqrt{2x+6}}{\sqrt{3x+5} + \sqrt{2x+6}} \\ &= \frac{(3x+5) - (2x+6)}{(x-1)(\sqrt{3x+5} + \sqrt{2x+6})} \\ &= \frac{x-1}{(x-1)(\sqrt{3x+5} + \sqrt{2x+6})} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3x+5} + \sqrt{2x+6}} \end{aligned}$$

So the limit is

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\sqrt{3x+5} - \sqrt{2x+6}}{x-1} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3x+5} + \sqrt{2x+6}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{8} + \sqrt{8}} \\ &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{8}} = \frac{1}{4\sqrt{2}} \end{aligned}$$

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(a) Evaluate $\tan\left(\frac{3\pi}{4}\right)$.

Answer: -1 **Solution:**

$$\sin(3\pi/4) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \quad \cos(3\pi/4) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \quad \text{so} \quad \tan(3\pi/4) = -1$$

(b) Compute $\lim_{t \rightarrow 2^+} \sqrt{2t^3 - 16}$.

Answer: 0 **Solution:**

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 2^+} \sqrt{2t^3 - 16} = \sqrt{\lim_{t \rightarrow 2^+} 2t^3 - 16} = \sqrt{16 - 16} = 0$$

Short answer questions — you must show your work

- 2.
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(a) Find all x such that $x^2 + 5x + 6 > 0$.

Solution:

$$x^2 + 5x + 6 = (x + 2)(x + 3)$$

So the expression is positive for $x < -3$ or $x > -2$.

(b) Compute the limit $\lim_{x \rightarrow -7} \frac{2x + 14}{x^2 - 49}$

Solution: If try naively then we get $0/0$, so we simplify first:

$$\frac{2x + 14}{x^2 - 49} = \frac{2(x + 7)}{(x + 7)(x - 7)} = \frac{2}{x - 7}$$

Hence the limit is $\lim_{x \rightarrow -7} \frac{2}{x - 7} = -\frac{2}{14} = -\frac{1}{7}$.

Long answer question — you must show your work

3. 4 marks Compute the limit $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} \frac{x+1}{\sqrt{x^2+15}-4}$.

Solution: If we try to do the limit naively we get $0/0$. Hence we must simplify.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x+1}{\sqrt{x^2+15}-4} &= \frac{x+1}{\sqrt{x^2+15}-4} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x^2+15}+4}{\sqrt{x^2+15}+4} \\ &= \frac{(x+1)(\sqrt{x^2+15}+4)}{(x^2+15)-4^2} \\ &= \frac{(x+1)(\sqrt{x^2+15}+4)}{(x^2-1)} \\ &= \frac{(x+1)(\sqrt{x^2+15}+4)}{(x+1)(x-1)} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{x^2+15}+4}{(x-1)} \end{aligned}$$

So the limit is

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow -1} \frac{x+1}{\sqrt{x^2+15}-4} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow -1} \frac{\sqrt{x^2+15}+4}{(x-1)} \\ &= \frac{8}{-2} \\ &= -4 \end{aligned}$$