

**MCV4U1 - UNIT 1 - INTRODUCTION TO CALCULUS**  
**TEST**

**ROUND ALL ANSWERS TO THE NEAREST TENTH, UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED.**

1) Evaluate each of the following limits. All answers should be exact. (K-1,2,2,3,2,2 marks)

$$a) \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{\sqrt{x+20} + 25}{x+5}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{5+20} + 25}{5+5}$$

$$= \frac{30}{10}$$

$$= 3$$

$$c) \lim_{x \rightarrow 10} \frac{2x-20}{\sqrt{x-6}-2} \times \frac{\sqrt{x-6}+2}{\sqrt{x-6}+2}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 10} \frac{2(x-10)(\sqrt{x-6}+2)}{x-6-4}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 10} \frac{2(\cancel{x-10})(\sqrt{x-6}+2)}{\cancel{x-10}}$$

$$= 2(\sqrt{10-6} + 2)$$

$$= 2(4)$$

$$= 8$$

$$e) \lim_{x \rightarrow 8} f(x) = \begin{cases} 3x-5, & x < 8 \\ -x^2+2x+27, & x \geq 8 \end{cases}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 8^-} f(x) = 3(8) - 5 = 19$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 8^+} f(x) = -(8)^2 + 2(8) + 27 = -21$$

$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow 8} f(x)$  does not exist

$$b) \lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{3x^2 + 7x - 20}{x^2 + 3x - 4}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{(3x-5)(x+4)}{(x+4)(x-1)}$$

$$= \frac{3(4) - 5}{4 - 1}$$

$$= \frac{17}{3}$$

$$d) \lim_{x \rightarrow 130} \frac{\sqrt[3]{x-5} - 5}{x-130}$$

$$= \lim_{u \rightarrow 5} \frac{u-5}{u^3+5-130}$$

$$= \lim_{u \rightarrow 5} \frac{u-5}{u^3-125}$$

$$= \lim_{u \rightarrow 5} \frac{u-5}{(u-5)(u^2+5u+25)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{5^2+5(5)+25}$$

$$= \frac{1}{75}$$

$$\text{Let } u = \sqrt[3]{x-5}$$

$$\therefore u^3 = x-5$$

$$u^3 + 5 = x$$

$$\text{As } x \rightarrow 130, u \rightarrow 5$$

$$f) \lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \frac{4|x+2|}{x+2}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \begin{cases} \frac{-4(x+2)}{x+2}, & x < -2 \\ \frac{4(x+2)}{x+2}, & x > -2 \end{cases}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \begin{cases} -4, & x < -2 \\ 4, & x > -2 \end{cases}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^-} f(x) = -4, \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} f(x) = 4$$

$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow -2} f(x)$  does not exist

2) Use the difference quotient method to determine the equation of the tangent to the graph of

$$f(x) = x^2 - 2x + 13 \text{ where } x = 3. \quad (A - 4 \text{ marks}) \quad f(3) = 16$$

$$\begin{aligned} m_{\text{tan}} &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(3+h) - f(3)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(3+h)^2 - 2(3+h) + 13 - 16}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{9 + 6h + h^2 - 6 - 2h + 3}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h(h+4)}{h} \\ &= 0 + 4 \\ &= 4 \end{aligned}$$

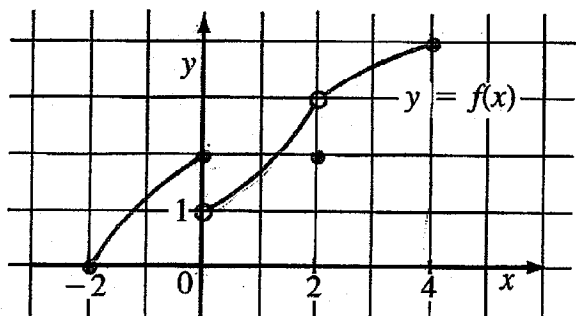
$$\begin{aligned} \therefore y &= 4x + b \\ 16 &= 4(3) + b \\ b &= 4 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  equation is

$$y = 4x + 4$$

3) For the graph of  $y = f(x)$  shown below, determine each of the following limits.

(A - 4 marks)



a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x) = 3$

b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x) = 2$

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

d)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = \text{does not exist}$

4) As a snowball melts, its volume decreases. The volume in cubic centimetres is given by the equation  $V(r) = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$ , where  $r$  is the radius in centimetres. Determine the rate of change of the snowball's volume when its radius is 10 cm. (A - 4 marks)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{I.R.O.C.} &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{V(10+h) - V(10)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{4}{3}\pi(10+h)^3 - \frac{4}{3}\pi(10)^3}{h} \\ &= \frac{4}{3}\pi \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h^3 + 30h^2 + 300h + 1000 - 1000}{h} \\ &= \frac{4}{3}\pi \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h(h^2 + 30h + 300)}{h} \\ &= \frac{4}{3}\pi [0^2 + 30(0) + 300] \\ &= \frac{4}{3}\pi (300) \\ &= 400\pi \end{aligned}$$

$$\rightarrow \doteq 1256.6 \text{ cm}^3/\text{cm}$$

5) For the following function,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} f(x) = 8$ . Determine the exact values of  $a$  and  $b$ .

(1-6 marks)

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -3ax^3 - 4b, & x \leq -2 \\ ax + b, & x > -2 \end{cases}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^-} f(x) = 8$$

$$-3a(-2)^3 - 4b = 8$$

$$24a - 4b = 8$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad 6a - b = 2$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} f(x) = 8$$

$$a(-2) + b = 8$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad -2a + b = 8$$

$$\therefore \textcircled{1} \quad 6a - b = 2$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad -2a + b = 8$$

$$\textcircled{1} + \textcircled{2} \quad \frac{4a = 10}{a = 2.5}$$

sub. in  $\textcircled{2}$

$$-2(2.5) + b = 8$$

$$b = 8 + 5$$

$$b = 13$$

$$\therefore a = 2.5$$

$$b = 13$$

6) Determine the coordinates of the points on the graph of  $f(x) = x^3 + 3x^2 - 21x + 2$  at which the tangent is parallel to the line  $6x - 2y = 19$ . (1-6 marks)

$$6x - 2y = 19$$

$$y = 3x - \frac{19}{2}$$

$\therefore$  need slope of 3

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

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x+h)^3 + 3(x+h)^2 - 21(x+h) + 2 - (x^3 + 3x^2 - 21x + 2)}{h} = 3$$

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

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{x(3x^2 + 3xh + h^2 + 6x + 3h - 21)}{h} = 3$$

$$3x^2 + 6x - 21 = 3$$

$$3x^2 + 6x - 24 = 0$$

$$x^2 + 2x - 8 = 0$$

$$(x+4)(x-2) = 0$$

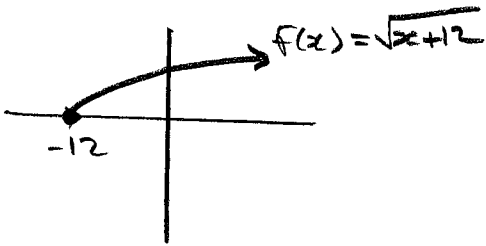
$$x = -4 \text{ or } x = 2$$

$\therefore$  points are

$$(-4, 70) \text{ and } (2, -20)$$

- 7) While engaged in an intense conversation about limits, Karlo claimed that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -12} \sqrt{x+12}$  is equal to 0. Is Karlo's claim correct? Explain. (C-3 marks)

Karlo's claim is incorrect. The domain of  $f(x) = \sqrt{x+12}$  is  $\{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x \geq -12\}$ . Therefore,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -12} \sqrt{x+12}$  does not exist, whereas  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -12^+} \sqrt{x+12} = 0$ . So,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -12} \sqrt{x+12}$  does not exist.



- 8) A few days after their intense conversation about limits, Jenny and Karlo went on a date.

While they were enjoying their meal, Jenny told Karlo that the expression  $\frac{f(x) - f(5)}{x - 5}$  is the slope of the tangent line to  $f(x)$  at the point where  $x = 5$ . Is Jenny's claim correct? Explain. (C-3 marks)

Jenny's claim is incorrect.  $\frac{f(x) - f(5)}{x - 5}$  gives the slope of a secant line. The slope of the tangent line is given by  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{f(x) - f(5)}{x - 5}$ .

limit  
is needed