

Calculus A for Economics

Exercise Number 4

1) Let $f(x)$ be a function which satisfies $-|x| \leq f(x) \leq |x|$ for all $x \neq 0$. Compute $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$.

2) If $|\frac{f(x)}{x}| \leq 1$ for all $x \neq 0$, compute $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$.

3) For all real numbers $x, c > 0$ prove the following inequality

$$0 \leq |\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{c}| = \frac{|x - c|}{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{c}} \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{c}}|x - c|$$

Use it to prove that $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \sqrt{x} = \sqrt{c}$.

4) Given the function:

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} x^2, & x < 1 \\ x, & 1 < x < 4 \\ 4 - x, & x > 4 \end{cases}$$

compute the following limits if they exist:

a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} g(x)$

b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} g(x)$

c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} g(x)$

5) Compute the following one side limits:

a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{x^2}{x + 2}$

b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{1 + \sqrt{x}}{1 - \sqrt{x}}$

c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \sqrt{|x| - x}$

6) Compute the following limits:

a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\sqrt{x + a} - \sqrt{x})$ $a \neq 0$

b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\sqrt{x^2 + 1} - x)$

c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} (\sqrt{x^2 + 1} - x)$

d) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\sqrt{x^2 - 2x - 1} - \sqrt{x^2 - 7x + 3})$

e) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 + x - 3x^3}{1 + x^2 + 3x^3}$

f) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{x^3}{x^2 + 1} - x \right)$

g) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + 1} - 1}{\sqrt{x^2 + 16} - 4}$

h) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^4 - 5x}{x^2 - 3x + 1}$

i) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{(x - 1)\sqrt{2 - x}}{x^2 - 1}$

j) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a^x}{a^x + 1}$ $(0 < a \neq 1)$

k) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a^x - a^{-x}}{a^x + a^{-x}}$ $(0 < a \neq 1)$

7) Given that $-1 \leq f(x) \leq 1$, use the Sandwich Theorem to prove that $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} |\frac{f(x)}{x}| = 0$.