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Problem Set 3

1. Evaluate each of the following limits.

- (a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{2-x}{3-\sqrt{x^2+5}}$   
(b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} \frac{\sin x}{\pi-x}$   
(c)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 6x}{\sin 5x}$   
(d)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1-2\cos x + \cos 2x}{x^2}$ ;  
(e)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \sqrt{x^2+x} - x$   
(f)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} x(\sqrt{x^2+2x} - 2\sqrt{x^2+x} + x)$

2. Evaluate each of the following limits.

- (a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2^x - 2^{-x}}{2^x + 2^{-x}}$   
(b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{2^x - 2^{-x}}{2^x + 2^{-x}}$   
(c)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{2^x - 2^{-x}}{2^x + 2^{-x}}$

3. Evaluate each of the following limits.

- (a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 2x}{x}$   
(b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\sin 2x}{x}$

4. Let  $f(x) = |x+1| + |x-1|$

(a) Rewrite  $f(x)$  as a piecewise defined function by filling the following blanks:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \text{_____} & \text{if } x \geq 1; \\ \text{_____} & \text{if } -1 \leq x < 1; \\ \text{_____} & \text{if } x \leq -1. \end{cases}$$

(b) Find  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x)$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x)$ . Does  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x)$  exist?

5. Let  $a$  be a real number and let  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} e^{\frac{1}{x}} & \text{if } x < 0; \\ 2 & \text{if } x = 0; \\ a \cos x & \text{if } x > 0 \end{cases}$$

If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$  exists, find the value of  $a$ .

6. Let  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = \frac{1}{n} \text{ for some } n \in \mathbb{N}; \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- (a) Prove that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$  does not exist.
- (b) Prove that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{3}} f(x) = 0$ .