

Key

1- Evaluate the limit if it exists

a. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}} (x - \lceil 2x \rceil)$, where $\lceil \cdot \rceil$ denotes the greatest integer function.

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}^-} (x - \lceil 2x \rceil) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}^-} (x - 0) = \frac{1}{2} \\ \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}^+} (x - \lceil 2x \rceil) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}^+} (x - 1) = -\frac{1}{2} \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}} (x - \lceil 2x \rceil) &\neq \\ \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}} (x - \lfloor 2x \rfloor) &\neq \end{aligned}$$

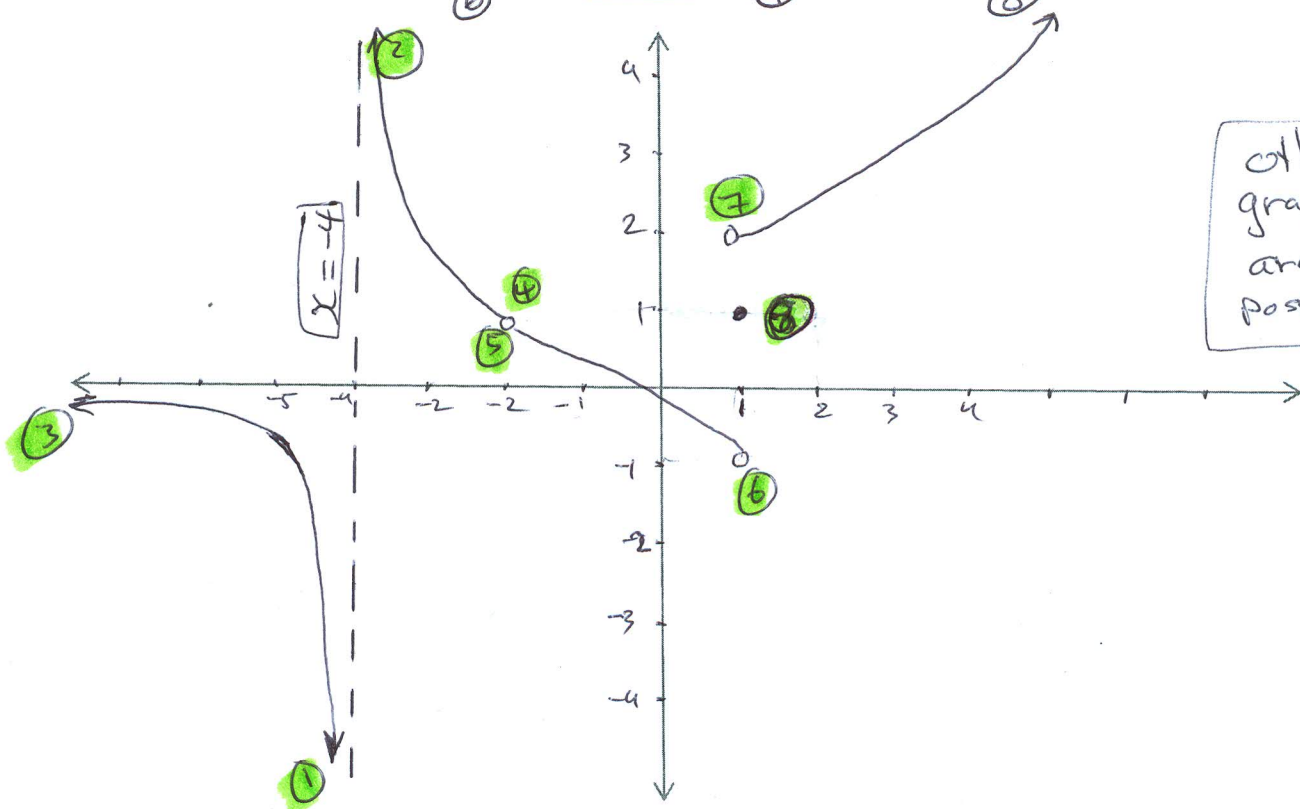
\Rightarrow **Limit DNE**

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

$$\begin{aligned} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \left[\frac{x^2 - (-(x-1)) - 1}{-(x-1)} \right] = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \left(\frac{x^2 + (x-1) - 1}{-(x-1)} \right) \quad [5] \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \left(\frac{x^2 + x - 2}{-(x-1)} \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \left(\frac{(x-1)(x+2)}{-(x-1)} \right), \quad (x \neq 1) \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} -(x+2) = \mathbf{-3} \end{aligned}$$

2- Sketch the graph of a function f that satisfies all of the following conditions:

- ① $\lim_{x \rightarrow -4^-} f(x) = -\infty$; ② $\lim_{x \rightarrow -4^+} f(x) = \infty$; ③ $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = 0$; ④ $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} f(x) = 1$
- ⑤ $f(x)$ is undefined at -2 ; ⑥ $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x) = -1$; ⑦ $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x) = 2$; ⑧ $f(1) = 1$



3- Let $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{6a}{x+1} & \text{if } x > 1 \\ 9 & \text{if } x = 1 \\ a^2 & \text{if } x < 1 \end{cases}$, Find the values of a so that:

(a) $f(x)$ is continuous everywhere.

We need $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x) = f(1)$.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x) = \frac{6a}{2} = 3a \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x) = a^2$$

So, $f(x)$ is continuous at $x=1$, if $f(1) = 9 = 3a = a^2$

Then $a=3$.

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(b) $f(x)$ has a removable discontinuity.

$f(x)$ has a removable discontinuity at $x=1$, if

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x) \quad \text{but} \quad f(1) \neq \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x) \Rightarrow a=0.$$

For $a=0$ we have a removable discontinuity

4- Use the Intermediate Value Theorem to show that the equation $\cos x = \sqrt{x}$ has at least one real root in the interval $(0, \frac{\pi}{2})$.

Let $f(x) = \cos x - \sqrt{x}$

check $f(0) = 1 > 0$

$$f\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = -\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} < 0$$

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So, ① $f(x)$ is continuous on $(0, \frac{\pi}{2})$

② $f\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) < 0 < f(0)$

by (IVT) $\exists c \in (0, \frac{\pi}{2})$ s.t. $f(c) = 0$.