

## Lab worksheet for Thursday, 1 April 2021

### Practice: Limits and one-sided limits, informally

**Exercise 1:** For the function  $g$  whose graph is given, state the value of each quantity, if it exists/is defined. If it does not exist/is not defined, explain why.

a)  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0^-} g(t)$

b)  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} g(t)$

c)  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} g(t)$

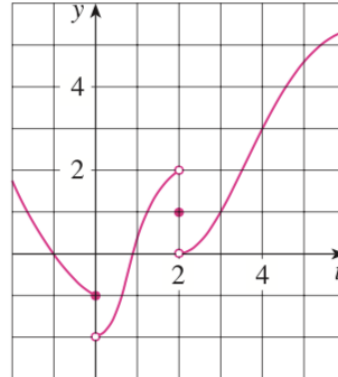
d)  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 2^-} g(t)$

e)  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 2^+} g(t)$

f)  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 2} g(t)$

g)  $g(2)$

h)  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 4} g(t)$



**Exercise 2:** Is the function  $g$  (in exercise 1) continuous at  $x = 0$ ,  $x=2$ ,  $x=4$ ? Explain your answer.

**Exercise 3:** For the function  $h$  whose graph is given, state the value of each quantity, if it exists/is defined. If it does not exist/is not defined, explain why.

a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3^-} h(x)$

b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3^+} h(x)$

c)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3} h(x)$

d)  $h(-3)$

e)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} h(x)$

f)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} h(x)$

g)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} h(x)$

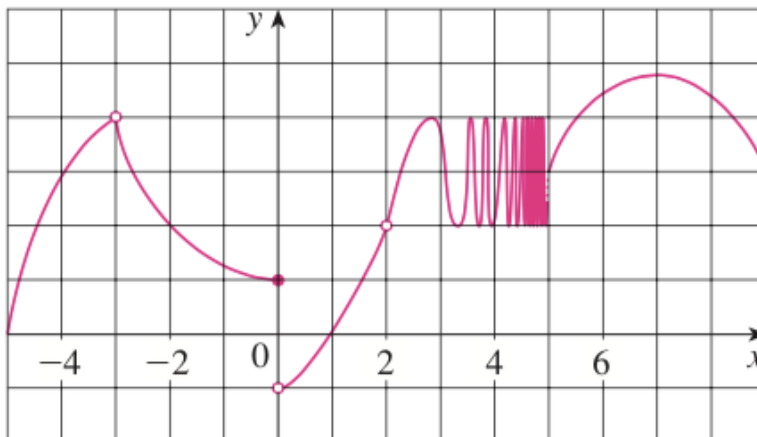
h)  $h(0)$

i)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} h(x)$

j)  $h(2)$

k)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5^+} h(x)$

l)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5^-} h(x)$



**Exercise 4:** Sketch the graph of the following function and use it to determine the values of  $a$  for which  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$  exists:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 2 - x & \text{if } x < -1 \\ x & \text{if } -1 \leq x < 1 \\ (x - 1)^2 & \text{if } x \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

**Exercise 5:** Sketch the graph of an example of a function  $f$  that satisfies all of the given conditions:

1.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} f(x) = 4$
2.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} f(x) = 2$
3.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} h(x) = 2$
4.  $f(3) = 3$
5.  $f(-2) = 1$

**Exercise 6:** The sign function, denoted by  $\text{sgn}$ , is defined by

$$\text{sgn}(x) = \begin{cases} -1 & \text{if } x < 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } x > 0 \end{cases}$$

- a) Sketch the graph of this function.
- b) Find each of the following or explain why it does not exist.

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{i) } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \text{sgn}(x) & \text{iii) } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \text{sgn}(x) \\ \text{ii) } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \text{sgn}(x) & \text{iv) } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} |\text{sgn}(x)| \end{array}$$

**Exercise 7:** Consider the Dirichlet function:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \text{ is rational} \\ 0 & \text{if } x \text{ is irrational} \end{cases}$$

Find  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x)$ ,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x)$  if they exist, if not, explain why.