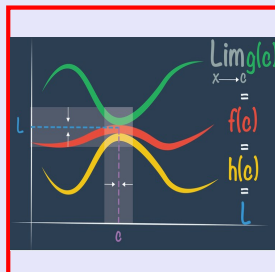


Math 261

Fall 2022

Lecture 3



Given $f(x) = \frac{x^3 + 2x^2}{x+2} = \frac{x^2(x+2)}{x+2} = x^2$

1) Domain $x+2 \neq 0$ $(-\infty, -2) \cup (-2, \infty)$
 $x \neq -2$

2) x-Ints -2

$y=0 \rightarrow f(x)=0$ $\frac{x^3+2x^2}{x+2}=0$

3) y-Int

$x=0$
 $f(0) = \frac{0^3+2(0)}{0+2}$
 $= 0$

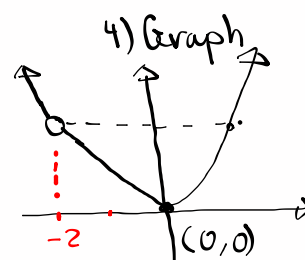
$(0,0)$

$x^3+2x^2=0$

$x^2(x+2)=0$

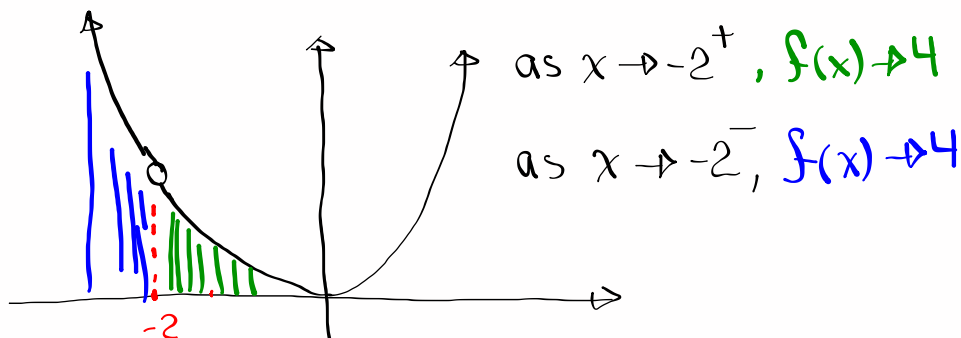
$x^2=0$ $x+2=0$

$x=0$ $x=-2$



5) Discuss range

$[0, \infty)$



$f(x)$ is not defined at $x = -2$

but $f(x) \rightarrow 4$ as $x \rightarrow -2$.

Consider $f(x) = x^3$

Find the difference quotient, evaluate the final answer for $h=0$.

$$f(x+h) - f(x) = (x+h)^3 - x^3$$

$$(x+h)(x+h)(x+h) = \cancel{x^3} + 3x^2h + 3xh^2 + \cancel{h^3} - \cancel{x^3}$$

OR
 Use binomial
 expansion

$$\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \frac{3x^2h + 3xh^2 + h^3}{h}$$

$$= \frac{\cancel{h}(3x^2 + 3xh + h^2)}{\cancel{h}}$$

Evaluate for $h=0 \rightarrow$

$$= 3x^2 + 3xh + h^2$$

$$3x^2 + 3x(0) + (0)^2 = 3x^2$$

Find difference quotient for

$f(x) = \sqrt[3]{x}$, then evaluate the final answer for $h=0$

$$\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \frac{\sqrt[3]{x+h} - \sqrt[3]{x}}{h} \cdot \frac{(\sqrt[3]{x+h})^2 + \sqrt[3]{x+h}\sqrt[3]{x} + (\sqrt[3]{x})^2}{(\sqrt[3]{x+h})^2 + \sqrt[3]{x+h}\sqrt[3]{x} + (\sqrt[3]{x})^2}$$

Recall from Algebra

$$A^3 - B^3 = (A - B)(A^2 + AB + B^2)$$

$$= \frac{(\sqrt[3]{x+h})^3 - (\sqrt[3]{x})^3}{h [(\sqrt[3]{x+h})^2 + \sqrt[3]{x+h}\sqrt[3]{x} + (\sqrt[3]{x})^2]}$$

$$= \frac{\cancel{x} + h - \cancel{x}}{h [(\sqrt[3]{x+h})^2 + \sqrt[3]{x+h}\sqrt[3]{x} + (\sqrt[3]{x})^2]}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(\sqrt[3]{x+h})^2 + \sqrt[3]{x+h}\sqrt[3]{x} + (\sqrt[3]{x})^2}$$

for $h=0$

$$\frac{1}{(\sqrt[3]{x+0})^2 + \sqrt[3]{x+0}\sqrt[3]{x} + (\sqrt[3]{x})^2} = \boxed{\frac{1}{3\sqrt[3]{x^2}}}$$

Introduction to limits

Notation

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x) = L_1$$

x approaches a
from right

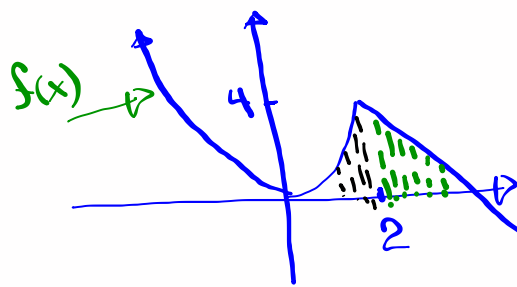
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x) = L_2$$

x approaches a
from left

If $\underbrace{L_1 = L_2}$, then we simply say

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L$$

Consider the graph below



$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x) = 4 \leftarrow L_1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x) = 4 \leftarrow L_2$$

$$L_1 = L_2$$

$$\text{So } \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = 4 \leftarrow L$$

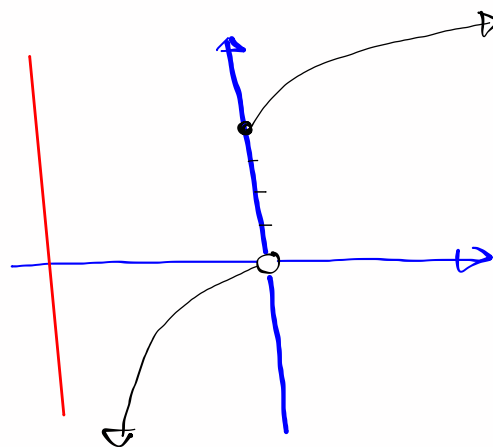
Consider

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^3 & \text{if } x < 0 \\ \sqrt{x} + 4 & \text{if } x \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

$$y = x^3$$

$$y = \sqrt{x}$$

$$f(0) = 4$$



$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = 4$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) \text{ D.N.E.}$$

Suppose $f(x) = \sqrt{|x|}$

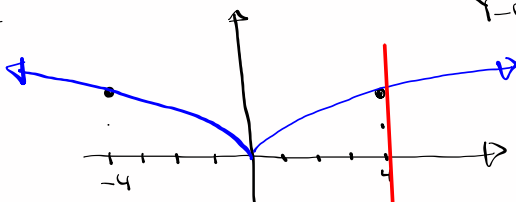
Domain $(-\infty, \infty)$

$$f(-x) = \sqrt{|-x|} = \sqrt{|x|} = f(x)$$

Since $f(-x) = f(x)$

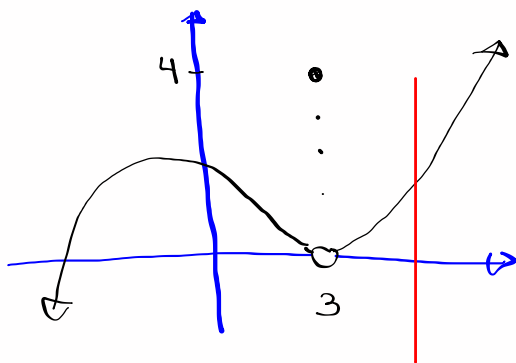
then $f(x)$ is an even function $\Rightarrow$ Symmetric with respect to Y-axis.

x	y
4	2
-4	2



$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = 0, \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = 0, \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = 0, \quad f(0) = 0$$

Consider the graph below



$$f(3) = 4$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} f(x) = 0$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} f(x) = 0$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x) = 0$$

Class QZ 1

Solve $4x^2 + 5x - 9 = 0$ Using quadratic formula.

Express answers in a Solution Set.

$$4x^2 + 5x - 9 = 0$$

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0$$

$$a=4, b=5, c=-9$$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{5^2 - 4(4)(-9)}}{2(4)} \\ &= \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{25 + 144}}{8} = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{169}}{8} \\ &= \frac{-5 \pm 13}{8} \end{aligned}$$

$$x = \frac{-5 + 13}{8} = \frac{8}{8} = 1$$

$$x = \frac{-5 - 13}{8} = \frac{-18}{8} = -\frac{9}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Solution } \left\{ -\frac{9}{4}, 1 \right\}$$