

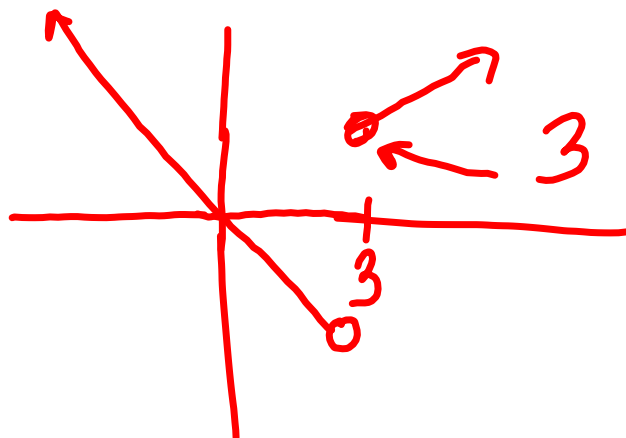
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} \frac{x|x-3|}{x-3} = 3$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} \frac{x(\cancel{x-3})}{\cancel{x-3}}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} x$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} \frac{x(-\cancel{x-3})}{\cancel{x-3}}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} -x$$



Lesson 6: Continuity

Warm Up

Is there some number a , such that this limit exists?

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{2x^2 - 3ax + x - a - 1}{x^2 - 2x - 3}$$

If so, find the value of a and find the limit.

If not, explain why not.

Scrap Paper

$P(x)$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{2x^2 - 3ax + x - a - 1}{(x-3)(x+1)}$$

$$P(3) = 0$$

$$a = 2$$

Lesson 6: Continuity

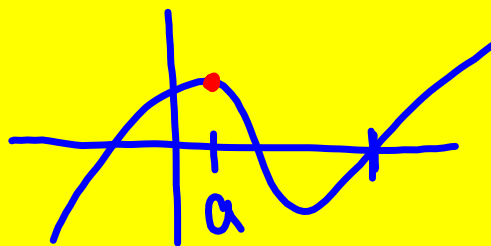
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A function $y = f(x)$ is continuous at $x = a$ if...

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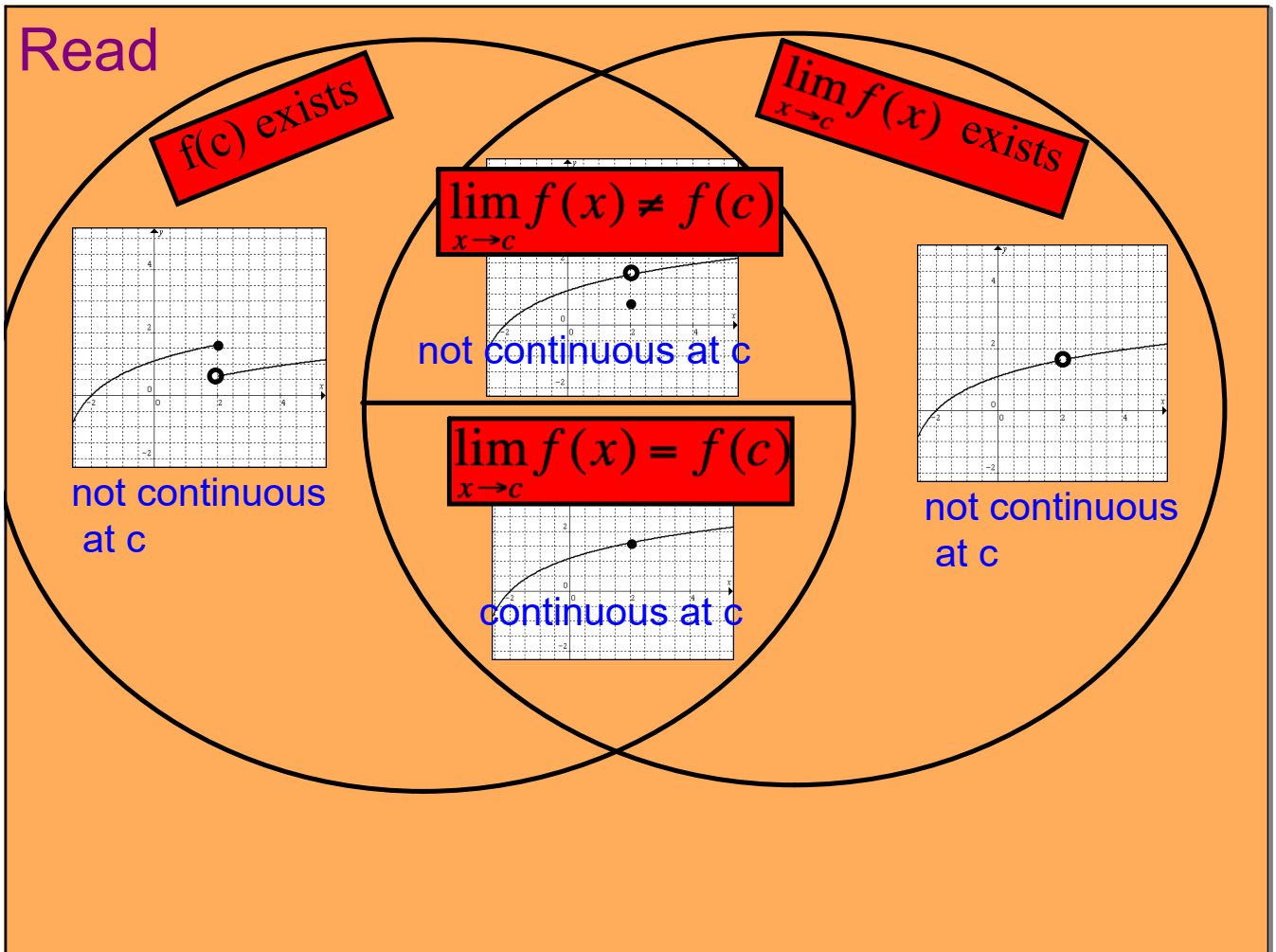
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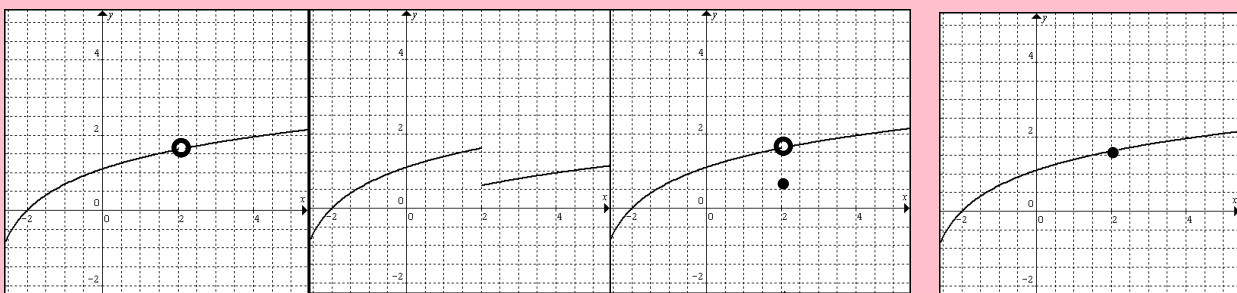


Defn. A function f is continuous on an open interval (a,b) if it is continuous at every point in (a,b) .

Read



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f undefined at c
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)$ exists
 not continuous at c

f defined at c
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)$ D.N.E.
 not continuous at c

f defined at c
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)$ exists
 but $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) \neq f(c)$
 not continuous at c

f defined at c
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)$ exists
 and they're =
 continuous at c

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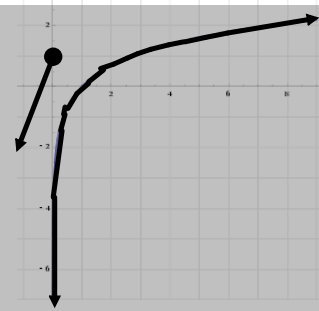
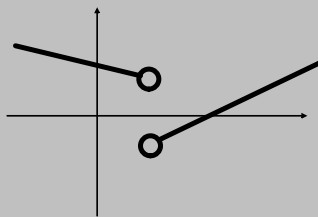
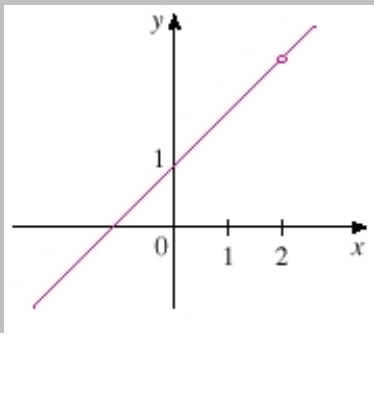
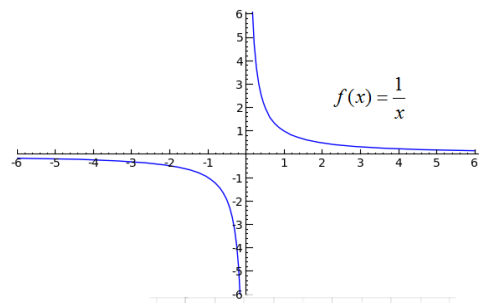
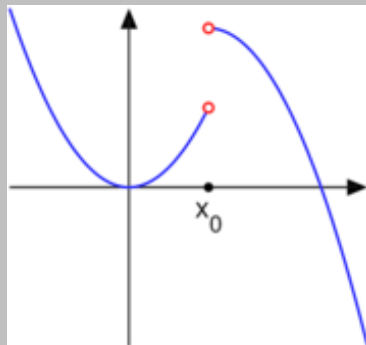
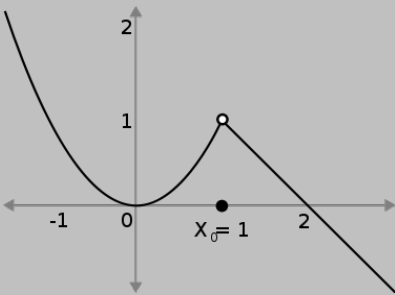
Classifying Discontinuities

Removable or point
(Holes)
2 sided limit exists

Essential or Non-removable

Jump
1 sided limits exist

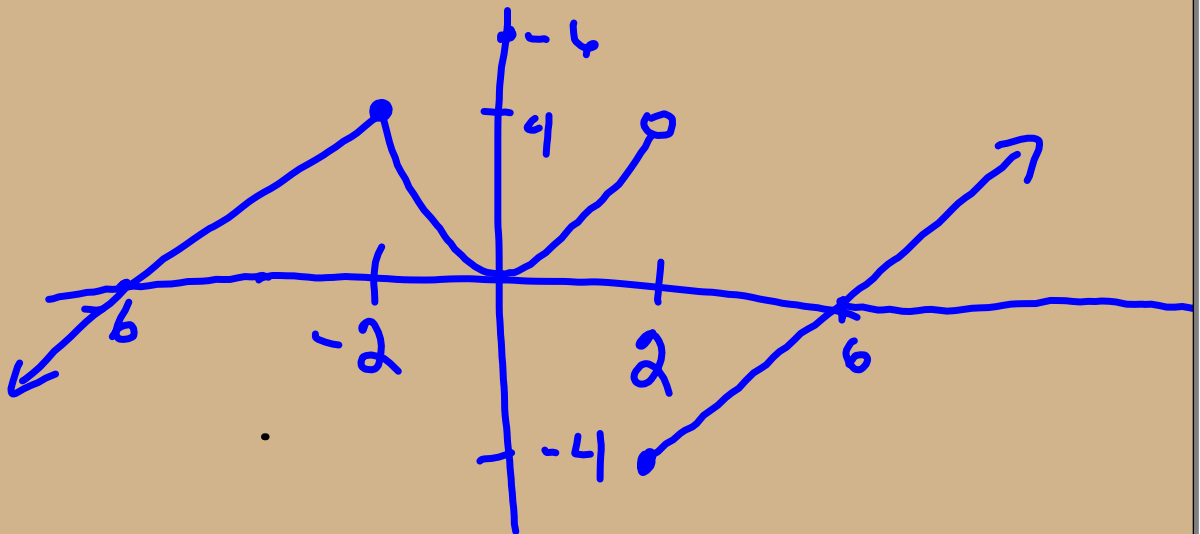
Infinite
(vertical asymptotes)
at least one of the
1 sided limits don't exist



1. Over what values of x , is $y = \sqrt{2-x}$ continuous?
 A) $x \in \mathbb{R}$ B) $x < 2$ C) $x \leq 2$ D) no values of x .

2. The function, $y = f(x)$ is discontinuous at $x =$:
 A) -2, 2 B) 2 only
 C) -2 only D) Nowhere

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x+6, & x \leq -2 \\ x^2, & -2 < x < 2 \\ x-6, & x \geq 2 \end{cases}$$



ex. Find a and b so that $f(x)$ is everywhere continuous.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{8}ax^3 - bx + 3, & x > 2 \\ 2x - \frac{1}{2}x^2, & x = 2 \\ \frac{1}{4}ax^3 - bx - 5, & x < 2 \end{cases}$$

$$2(2) - \frac{1}{2}(2)^2 = 2$$

① @ $x=2$

$$\frac{1}{8}a(2)^3 - b(2) + 3 = 2$$

$$\frac{1}{8}a(8) - 2b + 3 = 2$$

$$a - 2b = -1$$

② $\frac{1}{4}a(2)^3 - b(2) - 5 = 2$

$$2a - 2b = 7$$

Use elimination (or substitution) to solve for a + b:

$$\begin{array}{r} a - 2b = -1 \\ 2a - 2b = 7 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$-a = -8$$

$$a = 8$$

$$8 - 2b = -1$$

$$b = 4.5$$