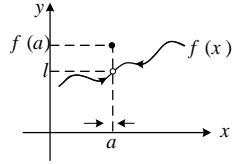


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Limit and Continuity Textbook
(Please note the questions related to the points after studying it)

Row	Title	Description		Shape/diagram / formula	
1	Definition of limit	1	Assumption	Let $f(x)$ be a function defined on an interval that contains $x = a$, except possibly at $x = a$.	$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L$
			Result	Then we say that, $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L$	
		2	Assumption	if for every number $\varepsilon > 0$	
			Result	there is some number $\delta > 0$ such that $ f(x) - L < \varepsilon$ whenever $0 < x - a < \delta$	
2	Conditions for the existence of the limit	1- f Defined in the neighborhood of a . (Very close points that are in domain) 2- Left hand limit = right hand Limit			
3	Calculate the limit	first step	Place a in f .		
		The result	number	answer = number	
			divided by zero or negative value under the radical	Must be review	
ambiguous situations	fixing ambiguity				
4	The concept of absolute answer	As x moves closer to a , f approaches L . In particular cases, f in neighborhood of a is exactly equal to L . Consequently, it is called absolute or real L .			
5	Functions that have absolute limit values	Functions that have horizontal diagram in different intervals. (have zero derivatives) For example $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Constant function} \\ \text{Ceiling function} \end{array} \right.$			
6	Zero in denominator	Absolute zero (with no sign)	There is no answer		
		relative (partial) zero	1- Determine sign of the numerator and denominator. 2- Divide the signs 3- $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{If the result was negative, the answer} = -\infty \\ \text{If the result was positive, the answer} = +\infty \end{array} \right.$		

7	L^+ or L^-	f in	a^+ strictly increasing function (derivative sign) $\Rightarrow f(a^+) = L^+$ strictly decreasing function (derivative sign) $\Rightarrow f(a^+) = L^-$ a^- strictly increasing function (derivative sign) $\Rightarrow f(a^-) = L^-$ strictly decreasing function (derivative sign) $\Rightarrow f(a^-) = L^+$	
8	$\lim_{x \rightarrow a^\pm} \sqrt[n]{f(x)}$	1- $\begin{cases} \text{Order of a radical} \rightarrow \text{even} \\ \text{radicand} \begin{cases} \text{Negative value} \\ \text{Or negative zero} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \text{no answer} \end{cases}$ 2- Other cases, the answer is acceptable		
9	Calculation items of the left and the right limit	1- Ceiling functions; when the bracket approach to integer number. 2- Absolute value functions; when bracket approach zero. 3- The radical functions of even order; when radicand approach zero. 4- Fractional functions; when the denominator approach zero, but the numerator is not equal to zero. 5- Piecewise functions; when the limit is requested at the changed point of sub-function.		
10	Auxiliary points for calculating the limit	$0 < a < 1 \Rightarrow \log_a(0^+) = +\infty$		
11		$a > 1 \Rightarrow \log_a(0^+) = -\infty$		
12		$a > 1 \Rightarrow a^{+\infty} = +\infty, a^{-\infty} = 0$		
13		$0 < a < 1 \Rightarrow a^{+\infty} = 0, a^{-\infty} = +\infty$		
14		$\sqrt[2n]{\text{Every negative term including negative zero}} = \text{no answer}$		
15		$\frac{\text{Any desired term including partial zero}}{\text{Absolute zero}} = \text{no answer}$		
16		$\frac{\text{Absolute zero}}{\text{Any defined term except absolute zero}} = 0$		
17		$\text{Partial or absolute zero} \times \text{bounded term} = 0$		
18		$\text{Every term opposite zero} \times \text{bounded term} = \text{no answer}$		
19		$\text{Absolute zero} \times \infty = 0$		
	$(\text{Absolute one})^\infty = 1$			
	$(\infty)^{\text{Absolute zero}} = 1$			

20	(Partial zero) ^{Absolute zero} = 1
21	(Absolute zero) ^{Positive partial zero} = 0
22	(Absolute zero) ^{Negative partial zero} = no answer
23	(Positive partial zero) ^{+∞} = no answer
24	(Negative partial zero) ^{+∞} = no answer

Solving indeterminate forms using method of (McLaren)

Row	lim	$f(x)$	imbed	Denominator equivalence	Numerator equivalence	Equivalence again or simplification	Embed or simplification	The final answer
1	$x \rightarrow 0$	$\frac{\sin x - xe^{x^2} + \frac{7x^3}{6}}{\sin^2 x \sin x^3}$	$= \frac{\circ}{\circ}$	$\sin^2 x \sim x^2$ $\sin^3 x \sim x^3$	$\sin x = (x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \dots)$ $e^t = 1 + t + \frac{t^2}{2!} + \dots$	$\sim \frac{(x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!}) - x(1 + x^2 + \frac{(x^2)^2}{2!}) + \frac{7x^3}{6}}{x^5}$	$= \frac{(-\frac{x^3}{3!} - x^3 + \frac{x^5}{5!}) - (\frac{x^5}{2!}) + \frac{7x^3}{6}}{x^5}$ $= \frac{(-\frac{7x^3}{6} + \frac{7x^3}{6} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^5}{2!})}{x^5}$	$= \frac{-59}{120}$
2	$x \rightarrow 1^+$	$\frac{x - \cosh \sqrt{x-1}}{x-1}$	$= \frac{\circ}{\circ}$	x	$\cosh t = 1 + \frac{t^2}{2!} + \frac{t^3}{4!} + \dots \Rightarrow$ $\cosh \sqrt{x-1} = 1 + \frac{1}{2}(x-1) + \dots$	$\sim \frac{x - (1 + \frac{1}{2}(x-1))}{x-1}$ $= \frac{x-1 - \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{2}}{x-1} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{2}}{x-1}$	$= \frac{\frac{1}{2}(x-1)}{x-1}$	$= \frac{1}{2}$
3	$x \rightarrow 0$	$\frac{e^{ax} - e^x - 2ax}{x^2} = 0$	$= \frac{\circ}{\circ}$	x^2	$e^{ax} = 1 + ax + \frac{1}{2}(ax)^2$ $e^x = (1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2})$	$\sim \frac{1 + ax + \frac{1}{2}(ax)^2 - 1 - x - \frac{x^2}{2} - 2ax}{x^2}$	$= \frac{-(a+1)x + \frac{1}{2}(a^2-1)x^2}{x^2} = 0$	$a+1=0,$ $a^2-1=0$ $\Rightarrow a=-1$
4	$x \rightarrow 0$	$\frac{x + \ln(1-x)}{\sin^2 x}$	$= \frac{\circ}{\circ}$	$\sin^2 x \sim x^2$	$\ln(1+x) = x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} - \dots$	$\sim \frac{x + (-x - \frac{x^2}{2})}{x^2}$	-	$= -\frac{1}{2}$
5	$x \rightarrow 0^-$	$\frac{2^{ x } + x \ln 2 - 1}{\sin 2x}$	$= \frac{\circ}{\circ}$	$\sin 2x \sim 2x$	$ x = -x$ $a^x - 1 \sim x \ln a$	$\sim \frac{-x \ln 2 + x \ln 2}{2x}$	-	$= 0$
6	$x \rightarrow 0$	$\frac{\sin x - x \cos x - bx^3}{x^4}$	$= \frac{\circ}{\circ}$	x^4	$\sin x \sim (x - \frac{x^3}{6} + \frac{x^5}{120})$ $\cos x \sim (1 - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^4}{24})$	$\sim \frac{(x - \frac{x^3}{6} + \frac{x^5}{120}) - x(1 - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^4}{24}) - bx^3}{x^4}$ $= \frac{\frac{x^3}{3} - bx^3 + \frac{4x^5}{120} - \frac{x^3}{3} - bx^3}{x^4} = \frac{\frac{4x^5}{120} - 2bx^3}{x^4} + \frac{x}{30}$	$\frac{(\frac{1}{3} - b)x^3}{x^4} + 0$ $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{3} - b = 0$	$b = \frac{1}{3}$

Answer of one to the power of infinity questions

Row	lim	$f(x)^{g(x)}$	Embed	$(1^\infty \sim e^{g(f-1)})$	Simplify or equivalence again	Simplify or equivalence three times	The final answer
1	$x \rightarrow 0$	$(\cos 2x)^{\cot^2 x}$	$= 1^\infty$	$= e^{\cot^2 x (\cos 2x - 1)}$	$\frac{\cos 2x - 1}{\tan^2 x}$ $= e^{\frac{\cos 2x - 1}{\tan^2 x}}$	$\frac{1 - \frac{(-2x)^2}{2} - 1}{x^2}$ $= e^{\frac{1 - (-2x)^2}{2x^2} - 1}$	$= e^{-2}$
2	$x \rightarrow 0^+$	$(1 + \sin 5x)^{\cot x}$	$= 1^\infty$	$= e^{\cot x (1 + \sin 5x - 1)}$	$\frac{\sin 5x}{\tan x}$ $= e^{\frac{\sin 5x}{\tan x}}$	$\frac{5x}{x}$ $= e^{\frac{5x}{x}}$	$= e^5$
3	$x \rightarrow 0$	$(\cos \sqrt{x})^{\frac{1}{x}}$	$= 1^\infty$	$= e^{\frac{1}{x}(\cos \sqrt{x} - 1)}$	$\frac{1 - \frac{x}{2} - 1}{x}$ $= e^{\frac{1 - \frac{x}{2} - 1}{x}}$	$= e^{-\frac{1}{2}}$	$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{e}}$
4	$x \rightarrow 0$	$(1 + 2x)^{\frac{3}{\sin 2x}}$	$= 1^\infty$	$= e^{\frac{3}{\sin 2x}(1 + 2x - 1)}$	$\frac{6x}{\sin 2x}$ $= e^{\frac{6x}{\sin 2x}}$	$\frac{6x}{2x}$ $= e^{\frac{6x}{2x}}$	$= e^3$
5	$x \rightarrow 0$	$(\frac{\sin x}{x})^{\frac{1}{x^2}}$	$= 1^\infty$	$= e^{\frac{1}{x^2}(\frac{\sin x}{x} - 1)}$	$(\frac{\sin x - x}{x^3})$ $= e^{\frac{(\sin x - x)}{x^3}}$	$(\frac{x - \frac{x^3}{6} - x}{x^3})$ $= e^{\frac{(x - \frac{x^3}{6}) - x}{x^3}}$	$= e^{-\frac{1}{6}}$
6	$x \rightarrow \infty$	$(\frac{2x+3}{2x+8})^x$	$= 1^\infty$	$= e^{x(\frac{2x+3}{2x+8} - 1)}$	$\frac{-5x}{2x+8}$ $= e^{\frac{-5x}{2x+8}}$	$\frac{-5x}{2x}$ $= e^{\frac{-5x}{2x}}$	$= e^{-\frac{5}{2}}$
7	$x \rightarrow \infty$	$(\frac{2x-3}{2x+5})^{2x+1}$	$= 1^\infty$	$= e^{(2x+1)(\frac{2x-3}{2x+5} - 1)}$	$\frac{-8(2x+1)}{2x+5}$ $= e^{\frac{-8(2x+1)}{2x+5}}$	$\frac{-16x}{2x}$ $= e^{\frac{-16x}{2x}}$	$= e^{-8}$
8	$x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4}$	$(\tan x)^{\tan 2x}$	$= 1^\infty$	$= e^{\tan 2x(\tan x - 1)}$	$\frac{2 \tan x}{1 - \tan^2 x}(\tan x - 1)$ $= e^{\frac{2 \tan x(\tan x - 1)}{(1 + \tan x)(1 - \tan x)}}$	$\frac{-2 \tan x}{(1 + \tan x)}$ $\frac{2 \tan \frac{\pi}{4}}{(1 + \tan \frac{\pi}{4})} = e^{-1}$	$= \frac{1}{e}$
9	$x \rightarrow +\infty$	$(\frac{1+x}{5+x})^{3x+2}$	$= 1^\infty$	$= e^{(3x+2)(\frac{1+x}{5+x} - 1)}$	$\frac{-4(3x+2)}{5+x}$ $= e^{\frac{-4(3x+2)}{5+x}}$	$\frac{-12x}{x}$ $= e^{\frac{-12x}{x}}$	$= e^{-12}$
10	$n \rightarrow +\infty$	$(\frac{2n^2 + 3n}{2n^2 - n + 1})^n$	$= 1^\infty$	$= e^{n(\frac{2n^2 + 3n}{2n^2 - n + 1} - 1)}$	$\frac{n(4n-1)}{2n^2 - n + 1}$ $= e^{\frac{n(4n-1)}{2n^2 - n + 1}}$	$\frac{4n^2}{2n^2}$ $= e^{\frac{4n^2}{2n^2}}$	$= e^2$
11	$x \rightarrow 0$	$(x - \sin x + \cos 2x)^{x-2}$	$= 1^\infty$	$= e^{(x-2)(x - \sin x + \cos 2x - 1)}$	$\frac{x - \sin x + \cos 2x - 1}{x^2}$ $= e^{\frac{x - \sin x + \cos 2x - 1}{x^2}}$	$\frac{x - x + \frac{x^3}{6} + 1 - \frac{4x^2}{2} - 1}{x^2} = \frac{\frac{x^3}{6} - 2x^2}{x^2}$ $= e^{\frac{x - x + \frac{x^3}{6} + 1 - \frac{4x^2}{2} - 1}{x^2}} = e^{\frac{\frac{x^3}{6} - 2x^2}{x^2}} = e^{-2}$	$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{e}}$

Row	$f(x) = [g(x)]$	interval	$g(x)$ interval	Discontinuity candidate (such value of x where $g(x)$ is integer)	Local minimum	The beginning of interval or any objects in the interval. Check the right-continuity	The ending of interval or any objects in the interval. Check the left-continuity	Discontinuity points
1	$f(x) = [(x-1)^2]$	$(0, 2)$	$0 < x < 2$ $-1 < x-1 < 1$ $0 \leq (x-1)^2 < 1$	$(x-1)^2 \in \mathbb{Z}$ $\Rightarrow (x-1)^2 = 0$ $\Rightarrow x = 1$	$x = 1$	$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = f(0)$ right-continuous	$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x) = f(2)$ left-continuous	Doesn't have
2	$f(x) = [x] + [2x]$	$[0, 2]$	$0 \leq x \leq 2$ $0 \leq 2x \leq 4$	$2x \in \mathbb{Z}$ $\Rightarrow 2x = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4$ $\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{2}, 1, \frac{3}{2}, 2$	Doesn't have	$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = 0 + [0^+] = 0 \neq f(0)$ right-continuous	$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x) = 2 + [4^-] = 5 \neq f(2) = 6$ left-continuous	$x = 0, \frac{1}{2}, 1, \frac{3}{2}, 2$
3	$f(x) = x^2 + [x^2]$	$[0, 2]$	$0 \leq x \leq 2$ $0 \leq x^2 \leq 4$	$x^2 \in \mathbb{Z}$ $\Rightarrow x^2 = 1, 2, 3$ $\Rightarrow x = 1, \sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3}$	Doesn't have	$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = 0 + [0^+] = 0 = f(0)$ right-continuous	$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x) = 4 + [4^-] = 7 \neq f(2) = 8$ left-continuous	$x = 1, \sqrt{1}, \sqrt{2}, 2$
4	$f(x) = [4\sin^2 x]$	$[-2, 2]$	$-1 \leq \sin x \leq 1$ $0 \leq \sin^2 x \leq 1$ $0 \leq 4\sin^2 x \leq 4$	$4\sin^2 x \in \mathbb{Z}$ $\Rightarrow 4\sin^2 x = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4$ $\Rightarrow x = 0, \pm \frac{\pi}{6}, \pm \frac{\pi}{4}, \pm \frac{\pi}{3}, \pm \frac{\pi}{2}$	$x = 0$	$f(-2) \notin \mathbb{Z}$	$f(2) \notin \mathbb{Z}$	$x = \pm \frac{\pi}{6}, \pm \frac{\pi}{4}, \pm \frac{\pi}{3}, \pm \frac{\pi}{2}$
5	$f(x) = x - [x]$ $g(x) = \sin \pi x$ $gof = \sin \pi(x - [x])$	$[-2, 2]$	$x = -1, 0, 1$	$x = -2, -1, 0, 1, 2$	Doesn't have	$x \rightarrow -2^+ : \sin(-2\pi) = 0 = gof(-2\pi)$ $x \rightarrow -1^+ : \sin(-\pi) = 0 = gof(-1)$ $x \rightarrow 0^+ : \sin(0) = 0 = gof(0)$ $x \rightarrow 1^+ : \sin \pi = 0 = gof(\pi)$	$x \rightarrow -1^- : \sin(-\pi) = 0 = gof(-1)$ $x \rightarrow 0^- : \sin(0) = 0 = gof(0)$ $x \rightarrow 1^- : \sin \pi = 0 = gof(\pi)$ $x \rightarrow 2^- : \sin(2\pi) = 0 = gof(2\pi)$	Doesn't have
6	$f(x) = x - [x]$	$ x \leq 2$ $[-2, 2]$	$x = -2, -1, 0, 1, 2$	$x = -2, -1, 0, 1, 2$	Doesn't have	$\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} f(x) = -2 - [-2^+] = -1 = f(-2)$	$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x) = 4 - [4^-] = 1 \neq f(2) = 0$	$x = -1, 0, 1, 2$