

MATH 1101Y 2009 Quiz 2 (a)

1. (2 pts) Determine the infinite limit

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{x - 1}{x^2 - 2x + 1}.$$

Solution:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{x - 1}{x^2 - 2x + 1} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{x - 1}{(x - 1)^2} = -\infty.$$

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2. (2 pts) Evaluate the limit, if it exists.

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{4 + h} - 2}{h}.$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{4 + h} - 2}{h} &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(\sqrt{4 + h} - 2)(\sqrt{4 + h} + 2)}{h(\sqrt{4 + h} + 2)} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{4 + h - 4}{h(\sqrt{4 + h} + 2)} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h}{h(\sqrt{4 + h} + 2)} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{(\sqrt{4 + h} + 2)} = \frac{1}{4}. \end{aligned}$$

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3. (1 pt) Evaluate the limit, if it exists.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^2 + x - 2}{x - 1}.$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^2 + x - 2}{x - 1} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^2 + x - 2}{x - 1} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{(x + 2)(x - 1)}{x - 1} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (x + 2) = 3. \end{aligned}$$

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