

**Solutions** Trial test Calc. I – Functions, Limits, Continuity and Derivatives – April 2018

1. a.  $y = f(x) = \frac{x+1}{1-x} \Leftrightarrow y(1-x) = x+1 \Leftrightarrow y - xy = x+1 \Leftrightarrow y - 1 = x(y+1) \Leftrightarrow x = \frac{y-1}{y+1}$

Interchanging  $x$  and  $y$  we find:  $y = f^{-1}(x) = \frac{x-1}{x+1}$

b. the domain  $D_f = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x \neq 1\}$  (denominator  $1-x \neq 0$ ) and the range  $R_f = D_{f^{-1}} = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x \neq -1\}$

c. Vertical asymptote  $x = 1$ , since at  $x = 1$  substitution leads to the form  $\frac{2}{0}$ .

Horizontal asymptote  $y = -1$ , since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x+1}{1-x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1+\frac{1}{x}}{\frac{1}{x}-1} = \frac{1+0}{0-1} = -1$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{x+1}{1-x} = -1$  as well.

d.  $f \circ g(x) = f(2x - x^2) = \frac{2x-x^2+1}{1-2x+x^2}$ , so  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f \circ g(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{2x-x^2+1}{1-2x+x^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{\frac{2}{x}-1+\frac{1}{x^2}}{\frac{1}{x^2}-\frac{2}{x}+1} = \frac{0-1+0}{0-0+1} = -1$

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

b.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x-1}{2x-\sqrt{3+x^2}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{(x-1)}{(2x-\sqrt{3+x^2})} \times \frac{(2x+\sqrt{3+x^2})}{(2x+\sqrt{3+x^2})} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{(x-1)(2x+\sqrt{3+x^2})}{4x^2-(3+x^2)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{(x-1)(2x+\sqrt{3+x^2})}{43(x-1)(x+1)}$   
 $= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{(2x+\sqrt{3+x^2})}{3(x+1)} = \frac{2+\sqrt{3+1}}{3(1+1)} = \frac{2}{3}$

c.  $\lim_{x \downarrow 2} \frac{x^2-9x+14}{2x^2-4x} = \lim_{x \downarrow 2} \frac{(x-2)(x-7)}{2x(x-2)} = \lim_{x \downarrow 2} \frac{x-7}{2x} = \frac{2-7}{4} = -\frac{5}{4}$

d.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{e^x-1}{x^2} = \frac{e-1}{1} = e-1 \approx 1.72$

e.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1-e^x}{1+2e^x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{e^x}-1}{\frac{1}{e^x}+2} = \frac{0-1}{0+2} = -\frac{1}{2}$

f.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x+3)^{-1}-3^{-1}}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{x+3}-\frac{1}{3}}{x} \times \frac{3(x+3)}{3(x+3)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{3-(3+x)}{3x(x+3)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-x}{3x(x+3)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-1}{3(x+3)} = -\frac{1}{9}$

3. a.  $f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h)-f(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{x+h}-\sqrt{x}}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(\sqrt{x+h}-\sqrt{x})(\sqrt{x+h}+\sqrt{x})}{h(\sqrt{x+h}+\sqrt{x})} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{x+h-x}{h(\sqrt{x+h}+\sqrt{x})} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+h}+\sqrt{x}} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$

b.  $m = f'(4) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{4}} = \frac{1}{4} \Rightarrow$  equation of the tangent:  $y - 2 = \frac{1}{4}(x - 4) \Leftrightarrow y = \frac{1}{4}x + 1$

c.  $f$  is continuous on its domain  $[0, \infty)$ , as all root functions are (at  $x = 0$   $f$  is continuous from the right  $\lim_{x \downarrow 0} f(x) = f(0) = 0$ ).  $f$  is differentiable on  $(0, \infty)$  (see a.), but  $f$  is not differentiable at  $x = 0$ , e.g.  $\lim_{x \downarrow 0} f'(x) = \infty$ .

4. a. Domain of  $g$  is  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$

b. 1.  $\lim_{x \uparrow 0} g(x) = \lim_{x \uparrow 0} \frac{1}{x} = +\infty$       2.  $\lim_{x \downarrow 1} g(x) = \lim_{x \downarrow 1} (x+2) = 3$       3.  $\lim_{x \uparrow 1} g(x) = \lim_{x \uparrow 1} \frac{1}{x} = 1$

4.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} g(x)$  does not exist, since the limit from the left (2.) is not equal to the limit from the right (3.)

5.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} g(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{1}{x} = 0$

c.  $g$  is **discontinuous at  $x = 0$** :  $x = 0$  is a VA, so an **asymptotic discontinuity**;  
and  $g$  is discontinuous at  $x = 1$  since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} g(x)$  d.n.e.: b.2 and b.3 show it is a **jump discontinuity**.

d.  $g$  is not differentiable at  $x = 2$ , since  $g'(x) = 1$  if  $1 < x < 2$  and  $g'(x) = 2x$ ,  
if  $x > 2$ . So  $\lim_{x \uparrow 2} g'(x) = \lim_{x \uparrow 2} 1 = 1 \neq \lim_{x \downarrow 2} g'(x) = \lim_{x \downarrow 2} 2x = 4$

Or:  $g'(2) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(2+h)-g(2)}{h}$  does not exist because:

$$\lim_{h \uparrow 0} \frac{g(2+h)-g(2)}{h} = \lim_{h \uparrow 0} \frac{(2+h+2)-4}{h} = \lim_{h \uparrow 0} \frac{h}{h} = 1 \neq \lim_{h \downarrow 0} \frac{g(2+h)-g(2)}{h} = \lim_{h \downarrow 0} \frac{(2+h)^2-4}{h} = \lim_{h \downarrow 0} \frac{4h+h^2}{h} = \lim_{h \downarrow 0} \frac{4+h}{1} = 4$$