

More Algebra Review

$$x^3 - y^3 = (x - y)(x^2 + xy + y^2)$$

$$x^3 + y^3 = (x + y)(x^2 - xy + y^2)$$

sum of two cubes.

Difference of two cubes.

$$x^3 - 8 = 0$$

$\Rightarrow x^3 = 8$  has  $x = 2$  as solution.

Then  $x - 2$  is a factor.

Divide  $x^3 - 8$  by  $x - 2$ , synthetically.

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -8 \\ & & 2 & 4 & 8 \\ \hline & 1 & 2 & 4 & 0 \end{array}$$

Sweet!

$x^2 \quad x \quad c \quad r$

This says Dividend

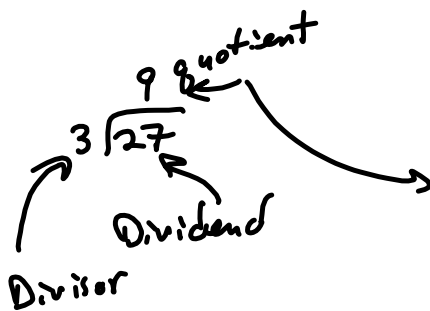
$$x^3 - 8 = (x - 2)(x^2 + 2x + 4)$$

$x - 2$   $\sqrt{x^3 - 8}$  Divisor quotient

3 is a factor of 27

$$\frac{27}{3} = 9 \text{ means}$$

$$27 = 3 \cdot 9$$



5.7 questions?

Yes, I know #7 says  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \epsilon$  solutions do  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3}$ .

Here's a version of #7:

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} x^3 = 27$  ← Not '8', silly.

Scratch

want  $|x^3 - 27| < \epsilon$

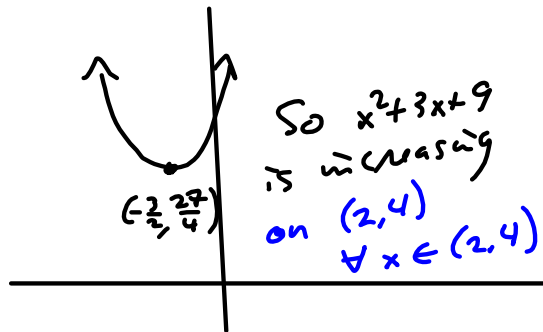
$|x-3||x^2+3x+9| < |x^2+3x+9|\delta$

Make  $x^2+3x+9$  as bad as it can get, assuming  $x$  is relatively close to  $x=3$ .

Assume  $\delta \leq 1$ , then  $|x-3| \leq 1$

$-1 \leq x-3 \leq 1$   
 $2 \leq x \leq 4$

$x^2+3x+9$   
 $= x^2+3x + (\frac{3}{2})^2 - (\frac{3}{2})^2 + 9$   
 $= (x + \frac{3}{2})^2 - \frac{9}{4} + \frac{36}{4}$   
 $= (x + \frac{3}{2})^2 + \frac{27}{4}$

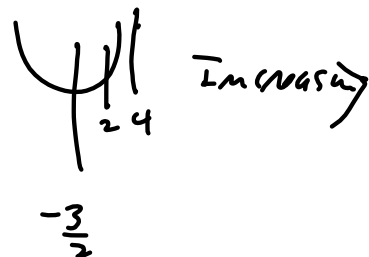


Minimalist for our purpose

(M2)  $a=1, b=3, c=9$   
 $-\frac{b}{2a} = -\frac{3}{2(1)} = -\frac{3}{2} = x$ -coord. of vertex.

(M1)  $x^2+3x+9$   
 $= x^2+3x + (\frac{3}{2})^2 - (\frac{3}{2})^2 + 9$   
 $= (x + \frac{3}{2})^2$   
 $x = -\frac{3}{2}$  is vertex x-coord

(M3)  $f(x) = x^2+3x+9$   
 $\Rightarrow f'(x) = 2x+3$   
 is increasing for  $x \in (2, 4)$



So, if  $\delta \leq 1$ , then  $|x^2 + 3x + 9| \leq |4^2 + 3(4) + 9|$   
 $= 37$  is as BIG as we'll let  
 $|x^2 + 3x + 9|$  get, so....

$$|x-3| |x^2 + 3x + 9| < |x^2 + 3x + 9| \delta$$

$$\leq 37 \delta \quad \text{want} < \epsilon$$

$$\delta < \frac{\epsilon}{37} \quad \text{is the idea}$$

$$\delta \leq 1, \quad \delta \leq \frac{\epsilon}{37}$$

Combine in proof!

Let  $\epsilon > 0$ . Define  $\delta = \min\left\{1, \frac{\epsilon}{37}\right\}$ . Then

$$0 < |x-3| < \delta \Rightarrow$$

$$|f(x) - L| = |x^3 - 27| = |x-3| |x^2 + 3x + 9|$$

$$< \delta |x^2 + 3x + 9| \leq \delta \cdot 37 \leq \frac{\epsilon}{37} \cdot 37 = \epsilon \quad \square$$

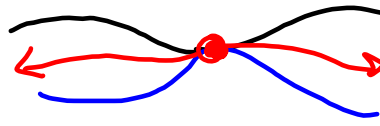
From  
 $\delta \leq 1$

$\delta \leq 1 \Rightarrow$   
 $\delta \leq \frac{\epsilon}{37}$

Section 1.8

**1 Definition** A function  $f$  is continuous at a number  $a$  if

- ①  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) \exists$
- ②  $f(a) \exists$
- ③ limit & actual value agree

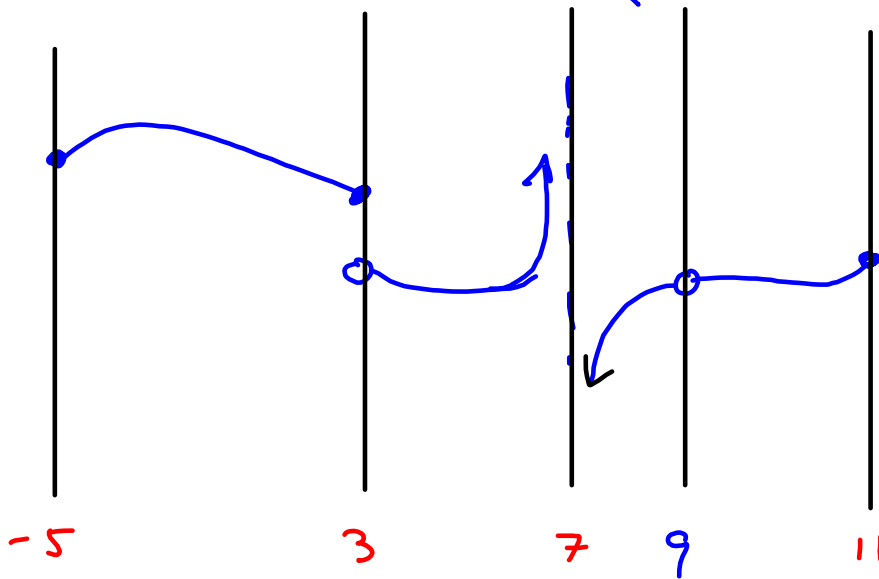


**2 Definition** A function  $f$  is continuous from the right at a number  $a$  if

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

and  $f$  is continuous from the left at  $a$  if

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



Continuous  $\forall x \in [-5, 3) \cup (3, 7) \cup (7, 9) \cup (9, 11]$

cont. from the right.

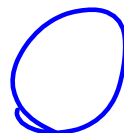
- "Jump" discontinuity @  $x = 3$
- "Infinite" .. @  $x = 7$
- "Removable" .. @  $x = 9$  (hole)

Patching the hole:

MAKE  $f(9) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 9} f(x)$

**E**  $\frac{x^2 - 3x + 2}{x - 1} = \frac{(x-2)(x-1)}{x-1} = x-2$  (if  $x \neq 1$ )

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2 - 3x + 2}{x - 1} & \text{if } x \neq 1 \\ -1 & \text{if } x = 1 \end{cases}$$



Make  $x^2 \sin(\frac{1}{x})$  a continuous func.  
we cool, except @  $x=0$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^2 \sin(\frac{1}{x}) = 0$$

$$\text{Define } f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 \sin(\frac{1}{x}) & \text{if } x \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \end{cases}$$

**3 Definition** A function  $f$  is **continuous on an interval** if it is continuous at every number in the interval. (If  $f$  is defined only on one side of an endpoint of the interval, we understand *continuous* at the endpoint to mean *continuous from the right* or *continuous from the left*.)

**4 Theorem** If  $f$  and  $g$  are continuous at  $a$  and  $c$  is a constant, then the following functions are also continuous at  $a$ :

1.  $f + g$

2.  $f - g$

3.  $cf$

4.  $fg$

5.  $\frac{f}{g}$  if  $g(a) \neq 0$

**6 Definition** Let  $f$  be a function defined on some open interval that contains the number  $a$ , except possibly at  $a$  itself. Then

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

means that for every positive number  $M$  there is a positive number  $\delta$  such that

$$\text{if } 0 < |x - a| < \delta \quad \text{then} \quad f(x) > M$$

**5 Theorem**

- (a) Any polynomial is continuous everywhere; that is, it is continuous on  $\mathbb{R} = (-\infty, \infty)$ .
- (b) Any rational function is continuous wherever it is defined; that is, it is continuous on its domain.

**7 Theorem** The following types of functions are continuous at every number in their domains:

polynomials	rational functions
root functions	trigonometric functions

**8 Theorem** If  $f$  is continuous at  $b$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = b$ , then  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(g(x)) = f(b)$ .  
In other words,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(g(x)) = f\left(\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)\right)$$

**9 Theorem** If  $g$  is continuous at  $a$  and  $f$  is continuous at  $g(a)$ , then the composite function  $f \circ g$  given by  $(f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x))$  is continuous at  $a$ .

**10 The Intermediate Value Theorem** Suppose that  $f$  is continuous on the closed interval  $[a, b]$  and let  $N$  be any number between  $f(a)$  and  $f(b)$ , where  $f(a) \neq f(b)$ . Then there exists a number  $c$  in  $(a, b)$  such that  $f(c) = N$ .