

3.4 Continuity of Functions P. 146 1-10

1. jump discontinuity at $x = -6$ (no limit exists)
 infinite discontinuity at $x = -4$ (asymptote line)
 removable discontinuity at $x = -2$ (hole)
 removable discontinuity at $x = 1$ ($g(1) \neq \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} g(x)$) \leftarrow closed circle at other point
 jump discontinuity at $x = 4$ ($g(4)$ doesn't exist)

2. a) $f(x) = \frac{12}{x+3}$ at $x = -3$ \leftarrow infinite discontinuity (asymptote line)

b) $g(x) = \frac{x-\pi}{x^2-\pi^2}$ at $x = \pi$

$$g(\pi) = \frac{\pi-\pi}{\pi^2-\pi^2} = \frac{0}{0} \leftarrow \text{indeterminate}$$

\leftarrow removable discontinuity \rightarrow

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} g(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} \frac{x-\pi}{(x-\pi)(x+\pi)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} \frac{1}{x+\pi} = \frac{1}{2\pi}$$

c) $h(x) = \begin{cases} x^2+2x, & x \leq 3 \\ 4x+5, & x > 3 \end{cases}$ at $x = 3$

Jump discontinuity $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} h(x) = 17$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} h(x) = 15$ (not same #)

d) $i = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2+5x+4}{x^3+1}, & x \neq -1 \\ 2, & x = -1 \end{cases}$ at $x = -1$

$$\frac{(x+1)(x+4)}{(x+1)(x^2+x+1)} = \frac{-1+4}{1+1+1} = \frac{3}{3}$$

removable discontinuity at $x = -1$ $(-1, 1)$

e) $j(x) = \frac{|x+4|}{x^2+3x-4}$ at $x = -4$

$$= \frac{|x+4|}{(x+4)(x-1)}$$

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

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

jump discontinuity at $x = -4$

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3. a) $f(x) = \frac{2x-6}{x^2-4x+3}$ at $x=3$
 $= \frac{2(x-3)}{(x-3)(x-1)}$

$f(3) = \frac{2}{3-1} = \frac{2}{2} = 1$

b) $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2-9}{x^3-27} & x \neq 3 \\ 1 & x = 3 \end{cases}$

$\frac{(x+3)(x-3)}{(x-3)(x^2+3x+9)}$

$f(3) = \frac{3+3}{9+9+9} = \frac{6}{27} = \frac{2}{9}$

c) $f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{x}-\sqrt{3}}{x-3} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x}+\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{x}+\sqrt{3}}$

$= \frac{(x-3)}{(x-3)(\sqrt{x}+\sqrt{3})}$

$f(3) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{3}} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6}$

4. $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2+5x+2, & x < 1 \\ cx-3, & x \geq 1 \end{cases}$

$(1)^2+5(1)+2 = 8 = c(1)-3$
 $1+5+2=8 \implies 11=c$

5. $g(x) = \begin{cases} 2x^2-dx+3, & x < -3 \\ x^2+x+9, & x \geq -3 \end{cases}$

$(-3)^2+(-3)+9 = 15 = 2(-3)^2-d(-3)+3$
 $9-3+9=15 \implies 15=18+3d+3$
 $-6=3d \implies -2=d$

6. $h(x) = \begin{cases} 4x+5, & x \leq -1 \\ \frac{ax+b}{x-1}, & -1 < x < 2 \\ x^2-1, & x \geq 2 \end{cases}$

$4x+5 = \frac{ax+b}{x-1}$ at $x=-1$:
 $4(-1)+5 = \frac{a(-1)+b}{-1-1}$
 $1 = \frac{-a+b}{-2} \implies -2 = -a+b$

at $x=2$:
 $\frac{a(2)+b}{2-1} = (2)^2-1$
 $2a+b = 3$
 $2a+(a-2) = 3 \implies 3a = 5 \implies a = \frac{5}{3}$
 $b = \frac{5}{3} - 2 = -\frac{1}{3}$

7. $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^4-x^3}{x-1}, & x \neq 1 \\ e, & x = 1 \end{cases}$

$\frac{x(x^3-1)}{x-1} = \frac{x(x-1)(x^2+x+1)}{(x-1)}$

$1(1^2+1+1) = 3$

$e = 3$

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8. a) $f(x) = \frac{3x - x^2}{x^2 + x}$ $\frac{3-0}{0+1} = \frac{3}{1} = 3 \leftarrow y\text{-coordinate of hole}$
 $= \frac{x(3-x)}{x(x+1)}$ Hole: $(0, 3)$
 Vertical Asymptote: $x = -1$

b) $f(x) = \frac{x^3 + 3x^2 - 10x}{x^2 + x - 6}$ $\frac{2(2+5)}{(2+3)} = \frac{2(7)}{5} = \frac{14}{5} \leftarrow y\text{-coord of hole}$
 $= \frac{x(x+5)(x-2)}{(x+3)(x-2)}$ Hole: $(2, \frac{14}{5})$
 Vertical Asymptote: $x = -3$

9. $F(x) = (2^{x+5}) \sqrt[3]{x^2 - x - 12}$
 both have all real #'s as DOMAIN, All exponential & root functions are continuous \therefore their product is continuous

10. a) $f(x) = \sin x + \cos x$ - continuous

b) $f(x) = \frac{x-3}{x^2+4}$ - continuous

c) $f(x) = \frac{x+2}{x^2-2x-3} = \frac{x+2}{(x-3)(x+1)}$ infinite discontinuities at $x = -1, 3$

d) $f(x) = |x^2 - 6x| = |x(x-6)|$ - continuous $(1, -1)$ f(x) doesn't exist

e) $f(x) = \frac{|x-1|}{x^2-x} = \frac{-(x-1)}{x(x-1)} \cdot \frac{(x-1)}{(x-1)}$ hole at $(1, 1) \leftarrow$ jump discontinuity
 asymptote $\rightarrow x = 0 \leftarrow$ infinite discontinuities

f) $f(x) = \frac{|x+3|}{x+3} = |1|$ removable discontinuity at $x = -3$
 (indeterminate)

g) $f(x) = \frac{x-4}{\sqrt{x}-2} \cdot \frac{(\sqrt{x}+2)(\sqrt{x}-2)}{(\sqrt{x}-2)} = \frac{x-4}{\sqrt{x}-2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x}+2}{\sqrt{x}-2}$ hole: removable discontinuity at $x = 4$ ($x \neq \text{neg}$)

h) $f(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^2 - \frac{3}{4}x + \frac{2}{5}$ - continuous $(4, 4)$

i) $f(x) = \frac{x+5}{\log_2(x^2+1)}$ $\log_2(0^2+1) = \log_2 1 = 0$ $2^0 = 1$
 infinite discontinuity at $x = 0$

j) $f(x) = \frac{x+6}{|x-6|}$ $x-6=0 \rightarrow x=6$. infinite discontinuity at $x = 6$

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k) $f(x) = \frac{x^2+x}{x^4-x} = \frac{x(x+1)}{x(x^3-1)}$ removable discontinuity at $x=0$ (0,-
 $\frac{x(x+1)}{x(x-1)(x^2+x+1)}$ infinite discontinuity at $x=1$
always positive

l) $f(x) = \begin{cases} 2^x + 1, & x \geq 2 \\ 2^{x+1} - 3, & x < 2 \end{cases}$ continuous $2^2 + 1 = 5$
 $2^{2+1} - 3 = 5$

m) $f(x) = \begin{cases} -4, & x < -3 \\ x-1, & -3 \leq x \leq 2 \\ x^2, & x > 2 \end{cases}$ jump discontinuity at $x=2$



n) $f(x) = \tan x$ infinite discontinuity at $x = \frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi$ where n is an integer

o) $f(x) = \sqrt[3]{9-x^2}$ continuous

