

# *East Los Angeles College*

Department of Mathematics

Math 261

Test 1 Study Guide

Evaluate the following limits

1.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} \frac{4}{x-3}$

2.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi^+}{2}} \tan(x)$

3.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi^-}{2}} \sec(x)$

4.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (5x^3 - 7x + 1)$

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

6.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \left( \frac{x^2+8x+12}{x^2-x-6} \right)$

7.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \left( \frac{x-4}{|x-4|} \right)$

8.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (|x| + 2x)$

$$\text{Let } f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 - 4 & \text{for } x \geq 1 \\ 3x - 6 & 0 < x < 1 \\ \frac{1}{x} & x < 0 \end{cases}$$

Answer the following questions.

9.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x)$                       10.  $f(1)$

11. Is the function continuous at  $x = 1$ , explain why or why not?

12.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$                       13.  $f(0)$

14. Is the function continuous at  $x = 0$ , explain why or why not?

15.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -5} f(x)$                       16.  $f(-5)$

17. Is the function continuous at  $-5$ , explain why or why not?

18.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x)$                       19.  $f(2)$

20. Is the function continuous at  $x = 2$ , explain why or why not?

21. Show that  $x^3 = \sqrt{x} + 5$  has a solution in the interval  $(1,4)$ .  
Hint: Use the Intermediate Value Theorem

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Determine the points of discontinuity for the following functions.

22.  $f(x) = \frac{\sin(x)}{\sqrt{x^2-9}}$

Determine the interval of continuity for the following functions.

23.  $f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{x}}{x^2-3x+2}$

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Determine the equation of the line tangent to the curve for the following functions at the indicated points.

24.  $f(x) = 3x^2$  at  $P(1,3)$

25.  $f(x) = x^3 - x$  at  $P(1,0)$

26.  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$  at  $P(2, \frac{1}{2})$

27.  $f(x) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{x}}$  at  $P(4,1)$

28.  $f(x) = \frac{5}{x^2}$  at  $P(1,5)$