

Limit Practice Problems

Evaluate the following limits. Be clear if the limit equals a finite value, Does Not Exist, or is $+\infty$ or $-\infty$. Always justify your work:

$$1. \lim_{w \rightarrow 0} \frac{16}{w} = \boxed{\text{DOES NOT EXIST since RHL} \neq \text{LHL}}$$

$$\text{RHL: } \lim_{w \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{16}{w} = \frac{16}{0^+} = +\infty$$

$$\text{LHL: } \lim_{w \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{16}{w} = \frac{16}{0^-} = -\infty$$

$$2. \lim_{t \rightarrow 2} \frac{3-t}{t-2} = \boxed{\text{DOES NOT EXIST since RHL} \neq \text{LHL}}$$

$$\text{RHL: } \lim_{t \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{3-t}{t-2} = \frac{3-2}{0^+} = \frac{1}{0^+} = +\infty$$

$$\text{LHL: } \lim_{t \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{3-t}{t-2} = \frac{3-2}{0^-} = \frac{1}{0^-} = -\infty$$

$$3. \lim_{t \rightarrow 2} \frac{3-t}{(t-2)^2} = \boxed{+\infty} \text{ since RHL} = \text{LHL}$$

$$\text{RHL: } \lim_{t \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{3-t}{(t-2)^2} = \frac{3-2}{(0^+)^2} = \frac{1}{0^+} = +\infty$$

$$\text{LHL: } \lim_{t \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{3-t}{(t-2)^2} = \frac{3-2}{(0^-)^2} = \frac{1}{0^+} = +\infty$$

$$4. \lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{(x+2)^2}{x^2-3x-4} = \boxed{\text{DOES NOT EXIST since RHL} \neq \text{LHL}}$$

$$\text{RHL: } \lim_{x \rightarrow 4^+} \frac{(x+2)^2}{x^2-3x-4} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 4^+} \frac{(x+2)^2}{(x-4)(x+1)} = \frac{(4+2)^2}{0^+(4+1)} = \frac{36}{0^+(5)} = +\infty$$

$$\text{LHL: } \lim_{x \rightarrow 4^-} \frac{(x+2)^2}{x^2-3x-4} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 4^-} \frac{(x+2)^2}{(x-4)(x+1)} = \frac{(4+2)^2}{0^-(4+1)} = \frac{36}{0^-(5)} = -\infty$$

$$5. \lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{x-4}{x^2-3x-4} \stackrel{0}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{x-4}{(x-4)(x+1)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{1}{x+1} \stackrel{\text{DSP}}{=} \boxed{\frac{1}{5}}$$

$$6. \lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{x^2-2x-8}{x^2-3x-4} \stackrel{0}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{(x-4)(x+2)}{(x-4)(x+1)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{x+2}{x+1} \stackrel{\text{DSP}}{=} \frac{4+2}{4+1} = \boxed{\frac{6}{5}}$$

$$7. \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^2-4x-12}{x^2-3x-18} = \frac{1-4-12}{1-3-18} \stackrel{\text{DSP}}{=} \frac{-15}{-20} = \boxed{\frac{3}{4}}$$

$$8. \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2-4x-12}{x^2-3x-18} \stackrel{\text{DSP}}{=} \frac{-12}{-18} = \boxed{\frac{2}{3}}$$

$$9. \lim_{x \rightarrow -3} \frac{x+2}{x+3} = \boxed{\text{DOES NOT EXIST since RHL} \neq \text{LHL}}$$

$$\text{RHL: } \lim_{x \rightarrow -3^+} \frac{x+2}{x+3} = \frac{-1}{0^+} = -\infty$$

$$\text{LHL: } \lim_{x \rightarrow -3^-} \frac{x+2}{x+3} = \frac{-1}{0^-} = +\infty$$

$$10. \lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \frac{x^2 - 4x - 12}{x^2 - 3x - 18} \stackrel{\text{DSP}}{=} \frac{4 + 8 - 12}{4 + 6 - 18} = \frac{0}{-8} = \boxed{0}$$

$$11. \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 - 4x}{x^2 - 7x} \stackrel{0}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x(x-4)}{x(x-7)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x-4}{x-7} \stackrel{\text{DSP}}{=} \frac{-4}{-7} = \frac{4}{7}$$

$$12. \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x^2 - 9}{|x - 3|} = \boxed{\text{DOES NOT EXIST since RHL} \neq \text{LHL}}$$

$$\text{RHL: } \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} \frac{x^2 - 9}{|x - 3|} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} \frac{(x-3)(x+3)}{x-3} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} x+3 \stackrel{\text{DSP}}{=} 6$$

$$\text{LHL: } \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} \frac{x^2 - 9}{|x - 3|} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} \frac{(x-3)(x+3)}{-(x-3)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} -(x+3) \stackrel{\text{DSP}}{=} -6$$

$$\text{Recall: } |x - 3| = \begin{cases} x - 3 & \text{if } x - 3 \geq 0 \\ -(x - 3) & \text{if } x - 3 < 0 \end{cases} = \begin{cases} x - 3 & \text{if } x \geq 3 \\ -(x - 3) & \text{if } x < 3 \end{cases}$$

$$13. \lim_{x \rightarrow -5} \frac{x^2 + 6x + 5}{|x + 5|} = \boxed{\text{DOES NOT EXIST since RHL} \neq \text{LHL}}$$

$$\text{RHL: } \lim_{x \rightarrow (-5)^+} \frac{x^2 + 6x + 5}{|x + 5|} = \lim_{x \rightarrow (-5)^+} \frac{(x+5)(x+1)}{x+5} = \lim_{x \rightarrow (-5)^+} x+1 \stackrel{\text{DSP}}{=} -4$$

$$\text{LHL: } \lim_{x \rightarrow (-5)^-} \frac{x^2 + 6x + 5}{|x + 5|} = \lim_{x \rightarrow (-5)^-} \frac{(x+5)(x+1)}{-(x+5)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow (-5)^-} -(x+1) \stackrel{\text{DSP}}{=} 4$$

$$\text{Recall: } |x + 5| = \begin{cases} x + 5 & \text{if } x + 5 \geq 0 \\ -(x + 5) & \text{if } x + 5 < 0 \end{cases} = \begin{cases} x + 5 & \text{if } x \geq -5 \\ -(x + 5) & \text{if } x < -5 \end{cases}$$

$$14. \lim_{t \rightarrow 1} \frac{t^2 - 1}{t^2 - 11t + 10} \stackrel{0}{=} \lim_{t \rightarrow 1} \frac{(t-1)(t+1)}{(t-10)(t-1)} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 1} \frac{t+1}{t-10} \stackrel{\text{DSP}}{=} \frac{1+1}{1-10} = \boxed{-\frac{2}{9}}$$

$$15. \lim_{t \rightarrow 1} \frac{t^2}{t^2 + t - 1} \stackrel{\text{DSP}}{=} \frac{1}{1 + 1 - 1} = \boxed{1}$$

$$16. \lim_{t \rightarrow -1} \frac{2009(t^2 + 6t + 5)}{t^2 + t} \stackrel{0}{=} \lim_{t \rightarrow -1} \frac{2009(t+5)(t+1)}{t(t+1)} = \lim_{t \rightarrow -1} \frac{2009(t+5)}{t} \stackrel{\text{DSP}}{=} \frac{2009(4)}{-1} = \boxed{-8036}$$

$$17. \lim_{x \rightarrow 9} \frac{x^2 - 10x + 9}{x^2 + x - 90} \stackrel{0}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 9} \frac{(x-9)(x-1)}{(x+10)(x-9)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 9} \frac{x-1}{x+10} \stackrel{\text{DSP}}{=} \frac{9-1}{9+10} = \boxed{\frac{8}{19}}$$

$$18. \lim_{t \rightarrow 1} t^{500} + t^{400} + t^{300} + t^{200} + t^{100} \stackrel{\text{DSP}}{=} \boxed{5}$$

19. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x^2 - x - 6}{x^2 - 2x - 3} \stackrel{0}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{(x-3)(x+2)}{(x-3)(x+1)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x+2}{x+1} \stackrel{\text{DSP}}{=} \frac{3+2}{3+1} = \boxed{\frac{5}{4}}$
20. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x-1}{\sqrt{x+3}-2} \stackrel{0}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x-1}{\sqrt{x+3}-2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x+3}+2}{\sqrt{x+3}+2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{(x-1)(\sqrt{x+3}+2)}{(x+3)-4}$
 $= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{(x-1)(\sqrt{x+3}+2)}{x-1} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \sqrt{x+3}+2 \stackrel{\text{L.L.}}{=} \boxed{4}$
21. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 9} \frac{9x - x^2}{3 - \sqrt{x}} \stackrel{0}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 9} \frac{9x - x^2}{3 - \sqrt{x}} \cdot \frac{3 + \sqrt{x}}{3 + \sqrt{x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 9} \frac{x(9-x)(3 + \sqrt{x})}{9-x}$
 $= \lim_{x \rightarrow 9} x(3 + \sqrt{x}) \stackrel{\text{L.L.}}{=} 9(3+3) = \boxed{54}$
22. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} \frac{5}{1-x} \stackrel{\text{DSP}}{=} \boxed{\frac{5}{2}}$
23. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{6x}{5-x} = \boxed{\text{DOES NOT EXIST since RHL} \neq \text{LHL}}$
RHL: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5^+} \frac{6x}{5-x} = \frac{30}{0^-} = -\infty$
LHL: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5^-} \frac{6x}{5-x} = \frac{30}{0^+} = +\infty$
24. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^2 - 9x + 14}{x^2 - 4x + 4} \stackrel{0}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{(x-2)(x-7)}{(x-2)(x-2)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x-7}{x-2} \quad \boxed{\text{DNE b/c RHL} \neq \text{LHL}}$
RHL: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{x-7}{x-2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{-5}{0^+} = -\infty$
LHL: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{x-7}{x-2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{x-7}{x-2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{-5}{0^-} = +\infty$
25. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^2 - 4}{|x - 2|} = \boxed{\text{DNE b/c RHL} \neq \text{LHL}}$.
RHL: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{x^2 - 4}{|x - 2|} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{x^2 - 4}{x - 2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{(x-2)(x+2)}{x-2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} x+2 \stackrel{\text{DSP}}{=} 4$
LHL: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{x^2 - 4}{|x - 2|} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{x^2 - 4}{-(x-2)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{(x-2)(x+2)}{-(x-2)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} -(x+2) \stackrel{\text{DSP}}{=} -4$
Recall: $|x-2| = \begin{cases} x-2 & \text{if } x-2 \geq 0 \\ -(x-2) & \text{if } x-2 < 0 \end{cases} = \begin{cases} x-2 & \text{if } x \geq 2 \\ -(x-2) & \text{if } x < 2 \end{cases}$
26. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{\sqrt{x+6}-3}{x^2-x-6} \stackrel{0}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{\sqrt{x+6}-3}{x^2-x-6} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x+6-9}{(x-3)(x+2)(\sqrt{x+6}+3)}$
 $= \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x-3}{(x-3)(x+2)(\sqrt{x+6}+3)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{1}{(x+2)(\sqrt{x+6}+3)} \stackrel{\text{L.L.}}{=} \frac{1}{5(3+3)} = \boxed{\frac{1}{30}}$

$$\begin{aligned}
27. \lim_{x \rightarrow 7} \frac{1}{7} - \frac{1}{x} & \stackrel{0}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 7} \frac{7x - 7}{7x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 7} \frac{x-7}{7x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 7} \frac{x-7}{7x} \cdot \frac{1}{x-7} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 7} \frac{x-7}{(7x)(x-7)} \\
& = \lim_{x \rightarrow 7} \frac{1}{7x} \stackrel{\text{DSP}}{=} \boxed{\frac{1}{49}}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
28. \lim_{x \rightarrow -6} \frac{1}{2-x} - \frac{1}{8} & \stackrel{0}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow -6} \frac{8 - (2-x)}{(2-x)(8)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -6} \frac{6+x}{(2-x)(8)} \\
& = \lim_{x \rightarrow -6} \frac{6+x}{(2-x)(8)(x+6)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -6} \frac{1}{(2-x)(8)} \stackrel{\text{DSP}}{=} \boxed{\frac{1}{64}}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
29. \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{\sqrt{x+1} - 2}{3-x} & \stackrel{0}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{\sqrt{x+1} - 2}{3-x} \cdot \left(\frac{\sqrt{x+1} + 2}{\sqrt{x+1} + 2} \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x+1-4}{(3-x)(\sqrt{x+1} + 2)} \\
& = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x-3}{(3-x)(\sqrt{x+1} + 2)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x-3}{-(x-3)(\sqrt{x+1} + 2)} \\
& = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{-1}{\sqrt{x+1} + 2} \stackrel{\text{L.L.}}{=} \frac{-1}{2+2} = \boxed{-\frac{1}{4}}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
30. \lim_{x \rightarrow 7} \frac{x^2 - 49}{2 - \sqrt{x-3}} & \stackrel{0}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 7} \frac{x^2 - 49}{2 - \sqrt{x-3}} \cdot \left(\frac{2 + \sqrt{x-3}}{2 + \sqrt{x-3}} \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 7} \frac{(x^2 - 49)(2 + \sqrt{x-3})}{4 - (x-3)} \\
& = \lim_{x \rightarrow 7} \frac{(x-7)(x+7)(2 + \sqrt{x-3})}{7-x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 7} \frac{(x-7)(x+7)(2 + \sqrt{x-3})}{-(x-7)} \\
& = \lim_{x \rightarrow 7} -(x+7)(2 + \sqrt{x-3}) \stackrel{\text{L.L.}}{=} -(14)(2+2) = \boxed{-56}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
31. \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+20}} - \frac{1}{5} & \stackrel{0}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{5 - \sqrt{x+20}}{5(\sqrt{x+20})(x-5)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{5 - \sqrt{x+20}}{5(\sqrt{x+20})(x-5)} \cdot \left(\frac{5 + \sqrt{x+20}}{5 + \sqrt{x+20}} \right) \\
& = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{25 - (x+20)}{5(\sqrt{x+20})(x-5)(5 + \sqrt{x+20})} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{5-x}{5(\sqrt{x+20})(x-5)(5 + \sqrt{x+20})} \\
& = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{-(x-5)}{5(\sqrt{x+20})(x-5)(5 + \sqrt{x+20})} \\
& = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{-1}{5(\sqrt{x+20})(5 + \sqrt{x+20})} \stackrel{\text{L.L.}}{=} \frac{-1}{5(5)(5+5)} = \boxed{-\frac{1}{250}}
\end{aligned}$$

Challenge!

Functions and Limit Practice Problems Evaluate the following limits:

32. Let $g(x) = 2x + 1$. Compute $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x - 1}{g(x^2) - 3} =$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x - 1}{(2x^2 + 1) - 3} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x - 1}{2x^2 - 2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x - 1}{2(x - 1)(x + 1)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{1}{2(x + 1)} \stackrel{\text{DSP}}{=} \boxed{\frac{1}{4}}$$

33. Let $G(u) = u^2 + u$. Compute $\lim_{u \rightarrow 2} \frac{u^2 - 2u}{G(u - 3)} = \lim_{u \rightarrow 2} \frac{u^2 - 2u}{(u - 3)^2 + (u - 3)}$

$$= \lim_{u \rightarrow 2} \frac{u^2 - 2u}{u^2 - 6u + 9 + u - 3} = \lim_{u \rightarrow 2} \frac{u(u - 2)}{u^2 - 5u + 6} = \lim_{u \rightarrow 2} \frac{u(u - 2)}{(u - 3)(u - 2)}$$

$$= \lim_{u \rightarrow 2} \frac{u}{u - 3} \stackrel{\text{DSP}}{=} \frac{2}{-1} = \boxed{-2}$$

34. Let $h(y) = y^2 - 3$. Compute $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \frac{x + 2}{h(2x) - h(x + 6)} =$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \frac{x + 2}{((2x)^2 - 3) - ((x + 6)^2 - 3)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \frac{x + 2}{(4x^2 - 3) - (x^2 + 12x + 36 - 3)}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \frac{x + 2}{4x^2 - 3 - x^2 - 12x - 33} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \frac{x + 2}{3x^2 - 12x - 36} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \frac{x + 2}{3(x^2 - 4x - 12)}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \frac{x + 2}{3(x - 6)(x + 2)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \frac{1}{3(x - 6)} \stackrel{\text{DSP}}{=} \boxed{-\frac{1}{24}}$$

35. Let $f(t) = \frac{1}{t}$. Compute $\lim_{t \rightarrow 4} \frac{f(t - 3) - 4f(t)}{t - 4} =$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 4} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{t - 3} - \frac{4}{t}\right)}{t - 4} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 4} \frac{\left(\frac{t - 4(t - 3)}{(t - 3)t}\right)}{t - 4} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 4} \frac{\left(\frac{-3t + 12}{(t - 3)t}\right)}{t - 4}$$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow 4} \left(\frac{-3t + 12}{(t - 3)t}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{t - 4}\right) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 4} \frac{-3(t - 4)}{(t - 3)t(t - 4)}$$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow 4} \frac{-3}{(t - 3)t} \stackrel{\text{DSP}}{=} \frac{-3}{(1)(4)} = \boxed{-\frac{3}{4}}$$

36. Compute $\lim_{x \rightarrow -6} \frac{f(x^2) + 5x - 8}{[f(x)]^2 + 5x + 14} =$ where $f(x) = x + 2$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -6} \frac{f(x^2) + 5x - 8}{[f(x)]^2 + 5x + 14} \stackrel{0}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow -6} \frac{x^2 + 2 + 5x - 8}{[x + 2]^2 + 5x + 14} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -6} \frac{x^2 + 5x - 6}{x^2 + 4x + 4 + 5x + 14}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow -6} \frac{x^2 + 5x - 6}{x^2 + 9x + 18} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -6} \frac{(x + 6)(x - 1)}{(x + 6)(x + 3)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -6} \frac{x - 1}{x + 3} = \frac{-7}{-3} = \boxed{\frac{7}{3}}$$

More Functions

37. Let $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$, $g(x) = x^2 + 4$, and $h(x) = \frac{1}{x}$. Compute (and simplify, if possible) the following:

(a) $f \circ g(x) = f(g(x)) = f(x^2 + 4) = \boxed{\sqrt{x^2 + 4}}$

(b) $g \circ f(x) = g(f(x)) = g(\sqrt{x}) = (\sqrt{x})^2 + 4 = \boxed{x + 4}$

(c) $h \circ g \circ f(x) = h(g(f(x))) = h(g(\sqrt{x})) = h(x + 4) = \boxed{\frac{1}{x + 4}}$

(d) $g \circ g(x) = g(g(x)) = g(x^2 + 4) = (x^2 + 4)^2 + 4 = x^4 + 8x^2 + 16 + 4 = \boxed{x^4 + 8x^2 + 20}$

$\varepsilon - \delta$ Definition of the Limit

Use the $\varepsilon - \delta$ definition for limits to prove each of the following:

38. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} 7x - 6 = 8$.

Scratchwork: we want $|f(x) - L| = |(7x - 6) - 8| < \varepsilon$

$$|f(x) - L| = |(7x - 6) - 8| = |7x - 14| = |7(x - 2)| = |7||x - 2| = 7|x - 2| \text{ (want } < \varepsilon)$$

$$7|x - 2| < \varepsilon \text{ means } |x - 2| < \frac{\varepsilon}{7}$$

So choose $\delta = \frac{\varepsilon}{7}$ to restrict $0 < |x - 2| < \delta$. That is $0 < |x - 2| < \frac{\varepsilon}{7}$.

Proof: Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given. Choose $\delta = \frac{\varepsilon}{7}$. Given x such that $0 < |x - 2| < \delta$, then

$$|f(x) - L| = |(7x - 6) - 8| = |7x - 14| = |7(x - 2)| = |7||x - 2| = 7|x - 2| < 7 \cdot \frac{\varepsilon}{7} = \varepsilon.$$

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39. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -7} 2 - \frac{3}{7}x = 5$.

Scratchwork: we want $|f(x) - L| = \left| \left(2 - \frac{3}{7}x \right) - 5 \right| < \varepsilon$

$$|f(x) - L| = \left| \left(2 - \frac{3}{7}x \right) - 5 \right| = \left| -\frac{3}{7}x - 3 \right| = \left| -\frac{3}{7}(x + 7) \right| = \left| -\frac{3}{7} \right| |x - (-7)| = \frac{3}{7} |x - (-7)|$$

(want $< \varepsilon$)

$$\frac{3}{7} |x - (-7)| < \varepsilon \text{ means } |x - (-7)| < \frac{7}{3} \varepsilon$$

So choose $\delta = \frac{7}{3} \varepsilon$ to restrict $0 < |x - (-7)| < \delta$. That is $0 < |x - (-7)| < \frac{7}{3} \varepsilon$.

Proof: Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given. Choose $\delta = \frac{7}{3}\varepsilon$. Given x such that $0 < |x - (-7)| < \delta$, then

$$\begin{aligned} |f(x) - L| &= \left| \left(2 - \frac{3}{7}x \right) - 5 \right| = \left| -\frac{3}{7}x - 3 \right| = \left| -\frac{3}{7}(x + 7) \right| = \left| -\frac{3}{7} \right| |x - (-7)| = \frac{3}{7} |x - (-7)| \\ &< \frac{3}{7} \cdot \frac{7}{3} \varepsilon = \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

□

40. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} 2x + 1 = -3$.

Scratchwork: we want $|f(x) - L| = |(2x + 1) - (-3)| < \varepsilon$

$$\begin{aligned} |f(x) - L| &= |(2x + 1) - (-3)| = |2x + 4| = |2(x + 2)| = |2||x + 2| = 2|x + 2| = 2|x - (-2)| \\ &\quad (\text{want } < \varepsilon) \end{aligned}$$

$$2|x - (-2)| < \varepsilon \text{ means } |x - (-2)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

So choose $\delta = \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ to restrict $0 < |x - (-2)| < \delta$. That is $0 < |x - (-2)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$.

Proof: Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given. Choose $\delta = \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$. Given x such that $0 < |x - (-2)| < \delta$, then

$$\begin{aligned} |f(x) - L| &= |(2x + 1) - (-3)| = |2x + 4| = |2(x + 2)| = |2||x - (-2)| = 2|x - (-2)| \\ &< 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon = \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

□

41. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} 1 - 4x = -11$.

Scratchwork: we want $|f(x) - L| = |(1 - 4x) - (-11)| < \varepsilon$

$$\begin{aligned} |f(x) - L| &= |(1 - 4x) - (-11)| = |-4x + 12| = |-4(x - 3)| = |-4||x - 3| = 4|x - 3| \\ &\quad (\text{want } < \varepsilon) \end{aligned}$$

$$4|x - 3| < \varepsilon \text{ means } |x - 3| < \frac{\varepsilon}{4}$$

So choose $\delta = \frac{\varepsilon}{4}$ to restrict $0 < |x - 3| < \delta$. That is $0 < |x - 3| < \frac{\varepsilon}{4}$.

Proof: Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given. Choose $\delta = \frac{\varepsilon}{4}$. Given x such that $0 < |x - 3| < \delta$, then

$$\begin{aligned} |f(x) - L| &= |1 - 4x - (-11)| = |12 - 4x| = |-4(x - 3)| = |-4||x - 3| = 4|x - 3| \\ &< 4 \cdot \frac{\varepsilon}{4} = \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

□

42. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3} 1 - 5x = 16.$

Scratchwork: we want $|f(x) - L| = |(1 - 5x) - 16| < \varepsilon$

$$|f(x) - L| = |(1 - 5x) - 16| = |-5x - 15| = |-5(x + 3)| = |-5||x - (-3)| = 5|x - (-3)|$$

(want $< \varepsilon$)

$$5|x - (-3)| < \varepsilon \text{ means } |x - (-3)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{5}$$

So choose $\delta = \frac{\varepsilon}{5}$ to restrict $0 < |x - (-3)| < \delta$. That is $0 < |x - (-3)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{5}$.

Proof: Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given. Choose $\delta = \frac{\varepsilon}{5}$. Given x such that $0 < |x - (-3)| < \delta$, then

$$|f(x) - L| = |1 - 5x - 16| = |-5x - 15| = |-5(x + 3)| = |-5||x - (-3)| = 5|x - (-3)|$$

$$< 5 \cdot \frac{\varepsilon}{5} = \varepsilon.$$

□

43. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -14} \frac{4}{7}x + 3 = -5.$

Scratchwork: we want $|f(x) - L| = \left| \left(\frac{4}{7}x + 3 \right) - (-5) \right| < \varepsilon$

$$|f(x) - L| = \left| \left(\frac{4}{7}x + 3 \right) - (-5) \right| = \left| \frac{4}{7}x + 8 \right| = \left| \frac{4}{7}(x + 14) \right| = \left| \frac{4}{7} \right| |x - (-14)| = \frac{4}{7} |x - (-14)|$$

(want $< \varepsilon$)

$$\frac{4}{7} |x - (-14)| < \varepsilon \text{ means } |x - (-14)| < \frac{7}{4} \varepsilon$$

So choose $\delta = \frac{7}{4} \varepsilon$ to restrict $0 < |x - (-14)| < \delta$. That is $0 < |x - (-14)| < \frac{7}{4} \varepsilon$.

Proof: Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given. Choose $\delta = \frac{7}{4} \varepsilon$. Given x such that $0 < |x - (-14)| < \delta$, then

$$|f(x) - L| = \left| \left(\frac{4}{7}x + 3 \right) - (-5) \right| = \left| \frac{4}{7}x + 8 \right| = \left| \frac{4}{7}(x + 14) \right| = \left| \frac{4}{7} \right| |x - (-14)| = \frac{4}{7} |x - (-14)|$$

$$< \frac{4}{7} \cdot \frac{7}{4} \varepsilon = \varepsilon.$$

□

Derivatives Use the limit definition of the derivative to calculate the derivative for each of the following functions:

44. $f(x) = 3 - 9x^2$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(3 - 9(x+h)^2) - (3 - 9x^2)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{3 - 9x^2 - 18xh - 9h^2 - 3 + 9x^2}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-18xh - 9h^2}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h(-18x - 9h)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} -18x - 9h = \boxed{-18x} \end{aligned}$$

45. $f(x) = x^3$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x+h)^3 - x^3}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^3 + 3x^2h + 3xh^2 + h^3 - x^3}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{3x^2h + 3xh^2 + h^3}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h(3x^2 + 3xh + h^2)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 3x^2 + 3xh + h^2 = \boxed{3x^2} \end{aligned}$$

46. $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2}$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{(x+h)^2} - \frac{1}{x^2}}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\left(\frac{x^2 - (x+h)^2}{(x+h)^2 x^2}\right)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 - x^2 - 2xh - h^2}{h(x+h)^2 x^2} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-2xh - h^2}{h(x+h)^2 x^2} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h(-2x - h)}{h(x+h)^2 x^2} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-2x - h}{(x+h)^2 x^2} = \frac{-2x}{x^4} \\ &= \boxed{\frac{-2}{x^3}} \end{aligned}$$

47. $f(x) = \sqrt{x-7}$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{(x+h)-7} - \sqrt{x-7}}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{(x+h)-7} - \sqrt{x-7}}{h} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{(x+h)-7} + \sqrt{x-7}}{\sqrt{(x+h)-7} + \sqrt{x-7}} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x+h-7) - (x-7)}{h(\sqrt{(x+h)-7} + \sqrt{x-7})} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{x+h-7-x+7}{h(\sqrt{(x+h)-7} + \sqrt{x-7})} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h}{h(\sqrt{(x+h)-7} + \sqrt{x-7})} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{(x+h)-7} + \sqrt{x-7}} = \boxed{\frac{1}{2\sqrt{x-7}}} \end{aligned}$$

48. $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{x+h}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\left(\frac{\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{x+h}}{\sqrt{x+h}\sqrt{x}}\right)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{x+h}}{h\sqrt{x+h}\sqrt{x}} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{x+h}}{h\sqrt{x+h}\sqrt{x}} \cdot \left(\frac{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x+h}}{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x+h}}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{x - (x + h)}{h\sqrt{x} + h\sqrt{x}(\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x + h})} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-h}{h\sqrt{x} + h\sqrt{x}(\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x + h})} \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-1}{\sqrt{x} + h\sqrt{x}(\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x + h})} = \frac{-1}{(\sqrt{x})^2 2\sqrt{x}} = \boxed{\frac{-1}{2x^{\frac{3}{2}}}}
\end{aligned}$$

$$49. f(x) = \frac{3 - x}{x - 4}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x + h) - f(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{3 - (x + h)}{(x + h) - 4} - \frac{3 - x}{x - 4}}{h} \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{[3 - x - h](x - 4) - (3 - x)[x + h - 4]}{(x + h - 4)(x - 4)}}{h} \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\left(\frac{3x - x^2 - xh - 12 + 4x + 4h - 3x - 3h + 12 + x^2 + xh - 4x}{(x + h - 4)(x - 4)} \right)}{h} \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\left(\frac{h}{(x + h - 4)(x - 4)} \right)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h}{(x + h - 4)(x - 4)} \left(\frac{1}{h} \right) \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{(x + h - 4)(x - 4)} = \boxed{\frac{1}{(x - 4)^2}}
\end{aligned}$$

$$50. f(x) = \frac{3x - 1}{2 - 5x}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x + h) - f(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{3(x + h) - 1}{2 - 5(x + h)} - \frac{3x - 1}{2 - 5x}}{h} \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{[3x + 3h - 1](2 - 5x) - (3x - 1)[2 - 5(x + h)]}{(2 - 5(x + h))(2 - 5x)}}{h} \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\left(\frac{6x + 6h - 2 - 15x^2 - 15xh + 5x - 6x + 15x^2 + 15xh + 2 - 5x - 5h}{(2 - 5(x + h))(2 - 5x)} \right)}{h} \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\left(\frac{h}{(2 - 5(x + h))(2 - 5x)} \right)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h}{(2 - 5(x + h))(2 - 5x)} \left(\frac{1}{h} \right) \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{(2 - 5(x + h))(2 - 5x)} = \boxed{\frac{1}{(2 - 5x)^2}}
\end{aligned}$$

Tangent Lines Please use the limit definition for the derivative when computing the derivatives in this section.

51. Find an equation for the tangent line to the graph of $f(x) = x - 2x^2$ at the point $(1, -1)$

First compute the derivative $f'(x)$.

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{((x+h) - 2(x+h)^2) - (x - 2x^2)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{x+h - 2x^2 - 4xh - 2h^2 - x + 2x^2}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h - 4xh - 2h^2}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h(1 - 4x - 2h)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 1 - 4x - 2h = 1 - 4x \end{aligned}$$

Note: $f'(1) = 1 - 4(1) = -3$, so using *point slope form*, the equation of the tangent line through the point $(1, -1)$ with slope -3 is given by

$$y - (-1) = -3(x - 1) \text{ or } \boxed{y = -3x + 2}.$$

52. Find an equation for the tangent line to the graph of $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$ at $x = 4$

First compute the derivative $f'(x)$.

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{x+h} - \sqrt{x}}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{x+h} - \sqrt{x}}{h} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x}} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x+h) - x}{h(\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x})} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h}{h(\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x})} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+h} + \sqrt{x}} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \end{aligned}$$

Note: $f'(4) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{4}} = \frac{1}{4}$. The point is $(4, f(4)) = (4, \sqrt{4}) = (4, 2)$. Therefore, using *point slope form*, the equation of the tangent line through the point $(4, 2)$ with slope $\frac{1}{4}$ is given by

$$y - 2 = \frac{1}{4}(x - 4) \text{ or } \boxed{y = \frac{1}{4}x + 1}.$$

53. At which point(s) does the graph of $f(x) = -x^2 + 13$ have a horizontal tangent line?

First compute the derivative $f'(x)$.

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(-(x+h)^2 + 13) - (-x^2 + 13)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-x^2 - 2xh - h^2 + 13 + x^2 - 13}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-2xh - h^2}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h(-2x - h)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} -2x - h \\ &= -2x \end{aligned}$$

Note: Set $f'(x) = 0$ and solve $f'(x) = -2x = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$ so the point is $(0, f(0)) = \boxed{(0, 13)}$.

54. At which point(s) of the graph of $f(x) = -x^3 + 13$ is the slope of the tangent line equal to -27 ? What's the picture representing this problem?

First compute the derivative $f'(x)$.

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(-(x+h)^3 + 13) - (-x^3 + 13)}{h}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-x^3 - 3x^2h - 3xh^2 - h^3 + 13 + x^3 - 13}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-3x^2h - 3xh^2 - h^3}{h} \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h(-3x^2 - 3xh - h^2)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} -3x^2 - 3xh - h^2 = -3x^2
\end{aligned}$$

Note: Set $f'(x) = -27$ and solve $f'(x) = -3x^2 = -27 \Rightarrow x^2 = 9 \Rightarrow x = \pm 3$ so the points are $(3, f(3)) = \boxed{(3, -14)}$ and $(-3, f(-3)) = \boxed{(-3, 40)}$.

55. There are two points on the graph of the curve $y = -x^2 + 7$ whose tangent line to the graph at those points passes through the point $(0, 11)$. Find those two points.

CHALLENGE!!

First compute the derivative $f'(x)$.

$$\begin{aligned}
f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-(x+h)^2 + 7 - (-x^2 + 7)}{h} \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-x^2 - 2xh - h^2 + 7 + x^2 - 7}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-2xh - h^2}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h(-2x - h)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} -2x - h \\
&= -2x
\end{aligned}$$

Let a point on the graph be given by $(a, f(a)) = (a, -a^2 + 7)$. The slope of the tangent line at this point $(a, -a^2 + 7)$ is given by $f'(a) = -2a$. The tangent line to this curve through the point $(a, -a^2 + 7)$ with slope $-2a$ is given by $y - (-a^2 + 7) = -2a(x - a)$ or $y + a^2 - 7 = -2ax + 2a^2$. For this tangent line to pass through the exterior point $(0, 11)$, that means the point $(0, 11)$ satisfies the equation of the tangent line. Then, $11 + a^2 - 7 = 0 + 2a^2$ or $a^2 = 4 \Rightarrow a = \pm 2$. So the two points of interest here are $(2, f(2)) = \boxed{(2, 3)}$ and $(-2, f(-2)) = \boxed{(-2, 3)}$.

56. Find the equation of the line passing through $(2, 3)$ which is perpendicular to the tangent to the curve $y = x^3 - 3x + 1$ at the point $(2, 3)$.

First we will find the slope of the tangent line to this curve when $x = 2$. Then we will take minus the reciprocal of that slope to finish the problem.

First compute the derivative $f'(x)$.

$$\begin{aligned}
f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{((x+h)^3 - 3(x+h) + 1) - (x^3 - 3x + 1)}{h} \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^3 + 3x^2h + 3xh^2 + h^3 - 3x - 3h + 1 - x^3 + 3x - 1}{h} \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{3x^2h + 3xh^2 + h^3 - 3h}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h(3x^2 + 3xh + h^2 - 3)}{h} \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 3x^2 + 3xh + h^2 - 3 = 3x^2 - 3
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, $f'(2) = 9$, so the line perpendicular to that would have slope equal to $-\frac{1}{9}$. The equation of the line through the point $(2, 3)$ with slope $-\frac{1}{9}$ is given by *point slope form* as $y - 3 = -\frac{1}{9}(x - 2)$. So, $\boxed{y = -\frac{1}{9}x + \frac{29}{9}}$.

57. Find the equation of the tangent line to the curve $y = x^3 + x$ at the point(s) where the slope equals 4.

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{((x+h)^3 + (x+h)) - (x^3 + x)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^3 + 3x^2h + 3xh^2 + h^3 + x + h - x^3 - x}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{3x^2h + 3xh^2 + h^3 + h}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h(3x^2 + 3xh + h^2 + 1)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 3x^2 + 3xh + h^2 + 1 = 3x^2 + 1 \end{aligned}$$

Set $f'(x) = 3x^2 + 1 = 4$ and solve for $x = \pm 1$. Therefore, the points where slope is equal to 4 are $(1, f(1)) = (1, 2)$ and $(-1, f(-1)) = (-1, -2)$.

The equation of the tangent line to the curve, at the point $(1, 2)$ with slope equaling 4, is given by $y - 2 = 4(x - 1)$ or $y = 4x - 2$.

Finally, the equation of the tangent line to the curve, at the point $(-1, -2)$ with slope equaling 4, is given by $y - (-2) = 4(x - (-1))$ or $y = 4x + 2$.

58. Find an equation for the tangent line to the graph of $f(x) = \frac{1}{x-1}$ at the point $(0, -1)$.

First we compute the slope $f'(x)$:

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{(x+h)-1} - \frac{1}{x-1}\right)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\left(\frac{(x-1) - (x+h-1)}{((x+h)-1)(x-1)}\right)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\left(\frac{x-1-x-h+1}{((x+h)-1)(x-1)}\right)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-h}{h(x+h-1)(x-1)} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-1}{(x+h-1)(x-1)} = -\frac{1}{(x-1)^2} \end{aligned}$$

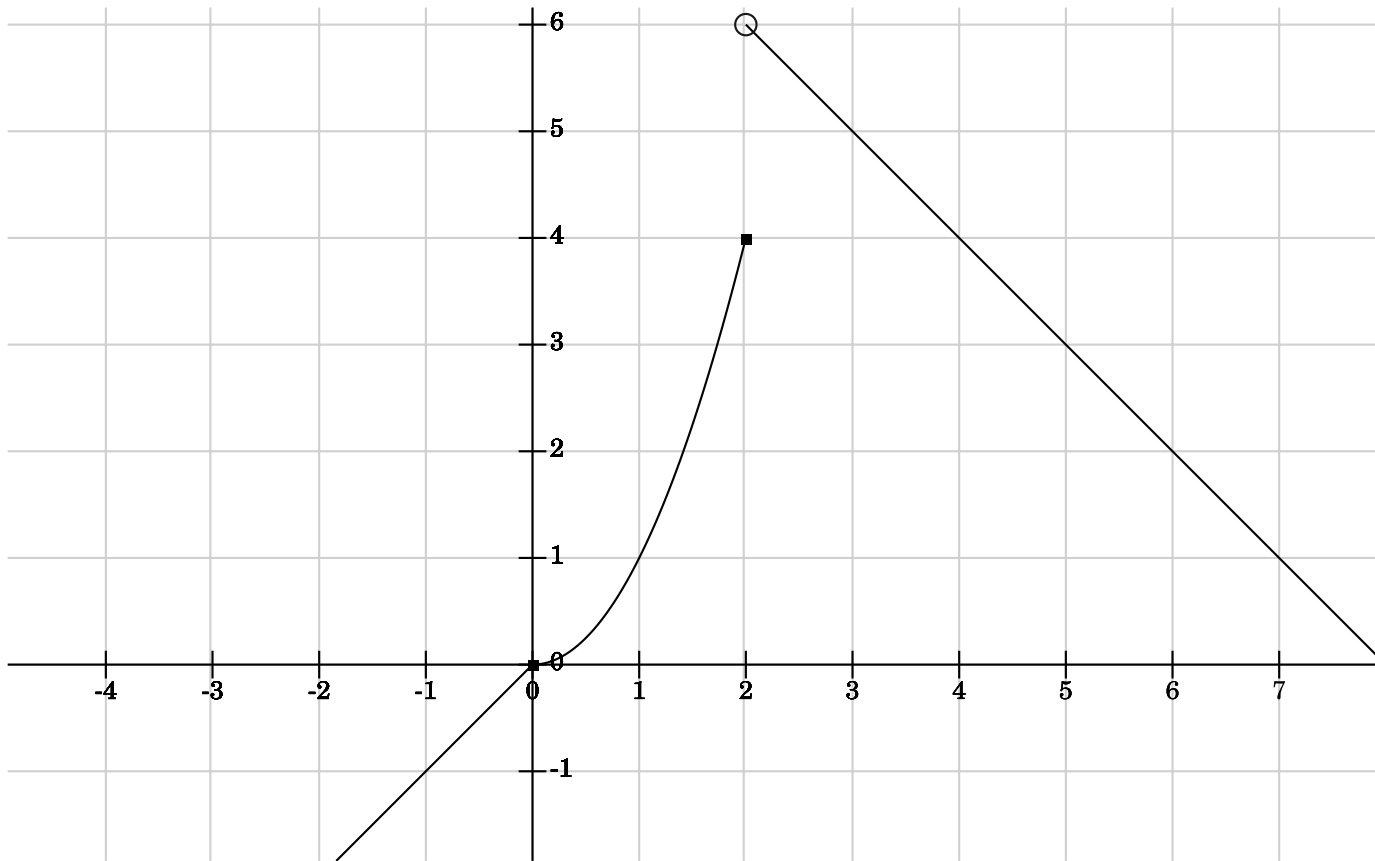
Note: $f'(0) = -1$. Therefore, using *point slope form*, the equation of the tangent line through the point $(0, -1)$ with slope equal to -1 is given by $y - (-1) = -1(x - 0)$ or $y = -x - 1$.

Piece-wise defined functions

Consider each of the following piecewise defined functions. Answer the related questions. *Justify* your answers please.

59. Let $f(x) = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x < 0 \\ x^2 & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 2 \\ 8 - x & \text{if } x > 2 \end{cases}$

Sketch the graph.



Find the numbers at which f is discontinuous.

Evaluate:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = \boxed{\text{DNE b/c LHL} \neq \text{RHL}}$$

$$\text{RHL: } \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x) = 6$$

$$\text{LHL: } \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x) = 4$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = \boxed{0}$$

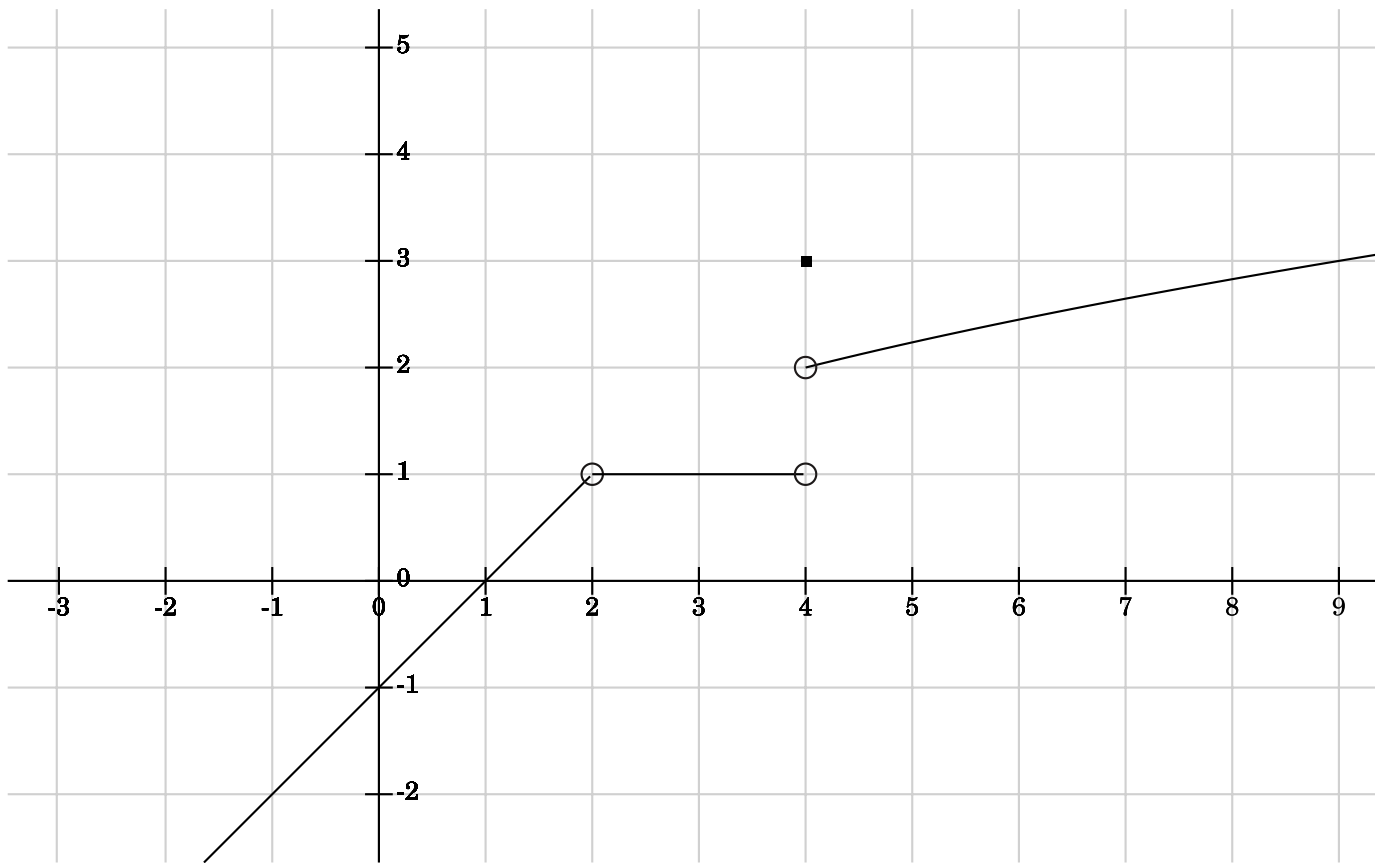
$$\text{RHL: } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = 0$$

$$\text{LHL: } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = 0$$

f is discontinuous at $x = 2$ since $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x)$ DNE

60. Let $f(x) = \begin{cases} x - 1 & \text{if } x < 2 \\ 1 & \text{if } 2 < x < 4 \\ 3 & \text{if } x = 4 \\ \sqrt{x} & \text{if } x > 4 \end{cases}$

Sketch the graph.



Find the numbers at which f is discontinuous. Evaluate:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = \boxed{-1} \text{ b/c RHL=LHL}$$

$$\text{RHL: } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = -1$$

$$\text{LHL: } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = -1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = \boxed{1} \text{ b/c RHL=LHL}$$

$$\text{RHL: } \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x) = 1$$

$$\text{LHL: } \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x) = 1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} f(x) = \boxed{\text{DNE b/c LHL} \neq \text{RHL}}$$

RHL: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4^+} f(x) = 2$

LHL: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4^-} f(x) = 1$

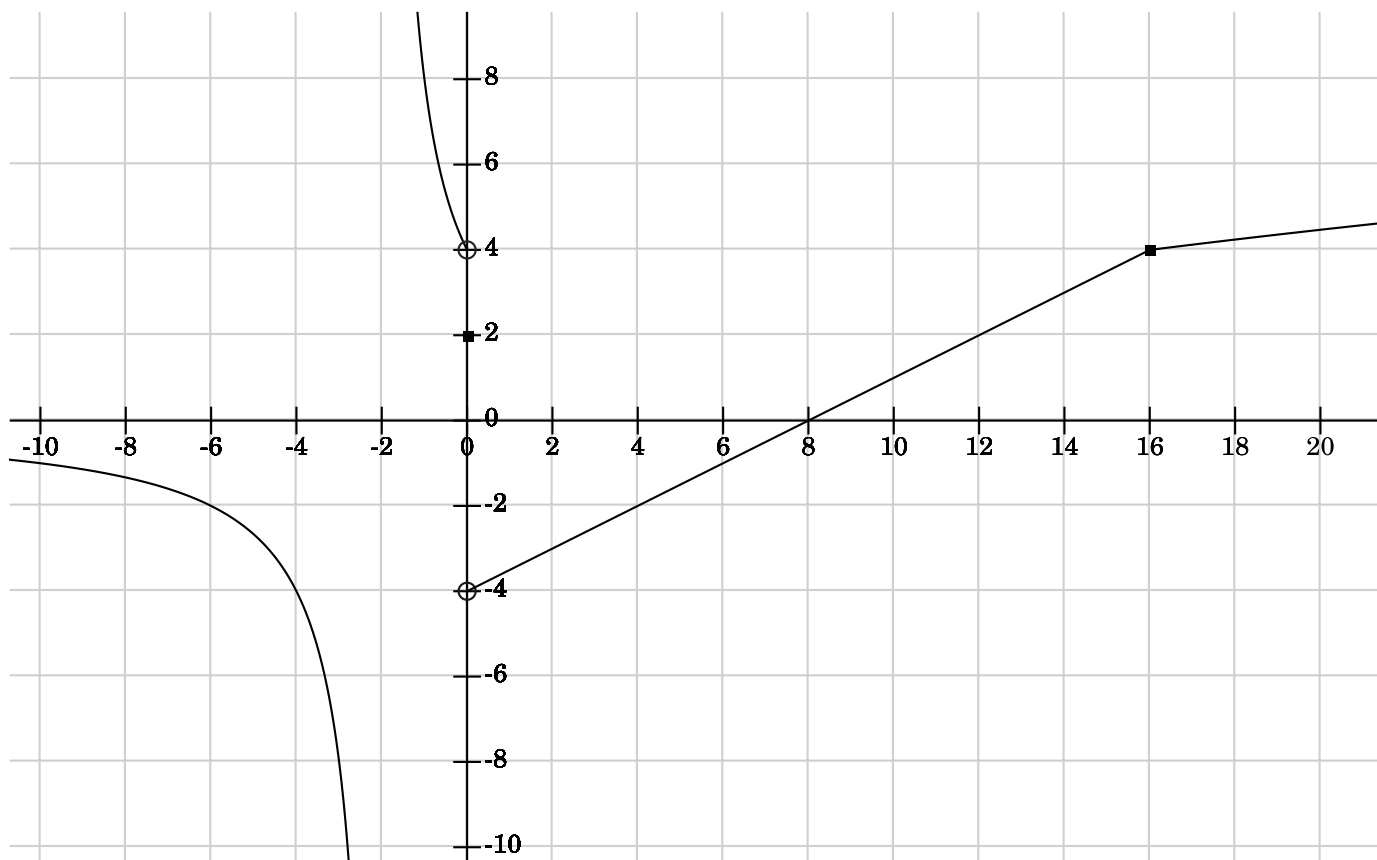
$f(4) = \boxed{3}$

f is discontinuous at $x = 2$ because $f(2)$ is undefined

f is discontinuous at $x = 4$ because $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} f(x)$ DNE b/c LHL \neq RHL

61. Let $h(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{8}{x+2} & \text{if } x < 0 \\ 2 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ \frac{1}{2}x - 4 & \text{if } 0 < x \leq 16 \\ \sqrt{x} & \text{if } x > 16 \end{cases}$

Sketch the graph.



Find the numbers at which h is discontinuous. Evaluate:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} h(x) = \boxed{\text{DNE b/c RHL} \neq \text{LHL}}$$

$$\text{RHL: } \lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} h(x) = +\infty$$

$$\text{LHL: } \lim_{x \rightarrow -2^-} h(x) = -\infty$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} h(x) = \boxed{\text{DNE b/c RHL} \neq \text{LHL}}$$

$$\text{RHL: } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} h(x) = -4$$

$$\text{LHL: } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} h(x) = 4$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 16} h(x) = \boxed{4} \text{ b/c RHL} = \text{LHL}$$

$$\text{RHL: } \lim_{x \rightarrow 16^+} h(x) = 4$$

$$\text{LHL: } \lim_{x \rightarrow 16^-} h(x) = 4$$

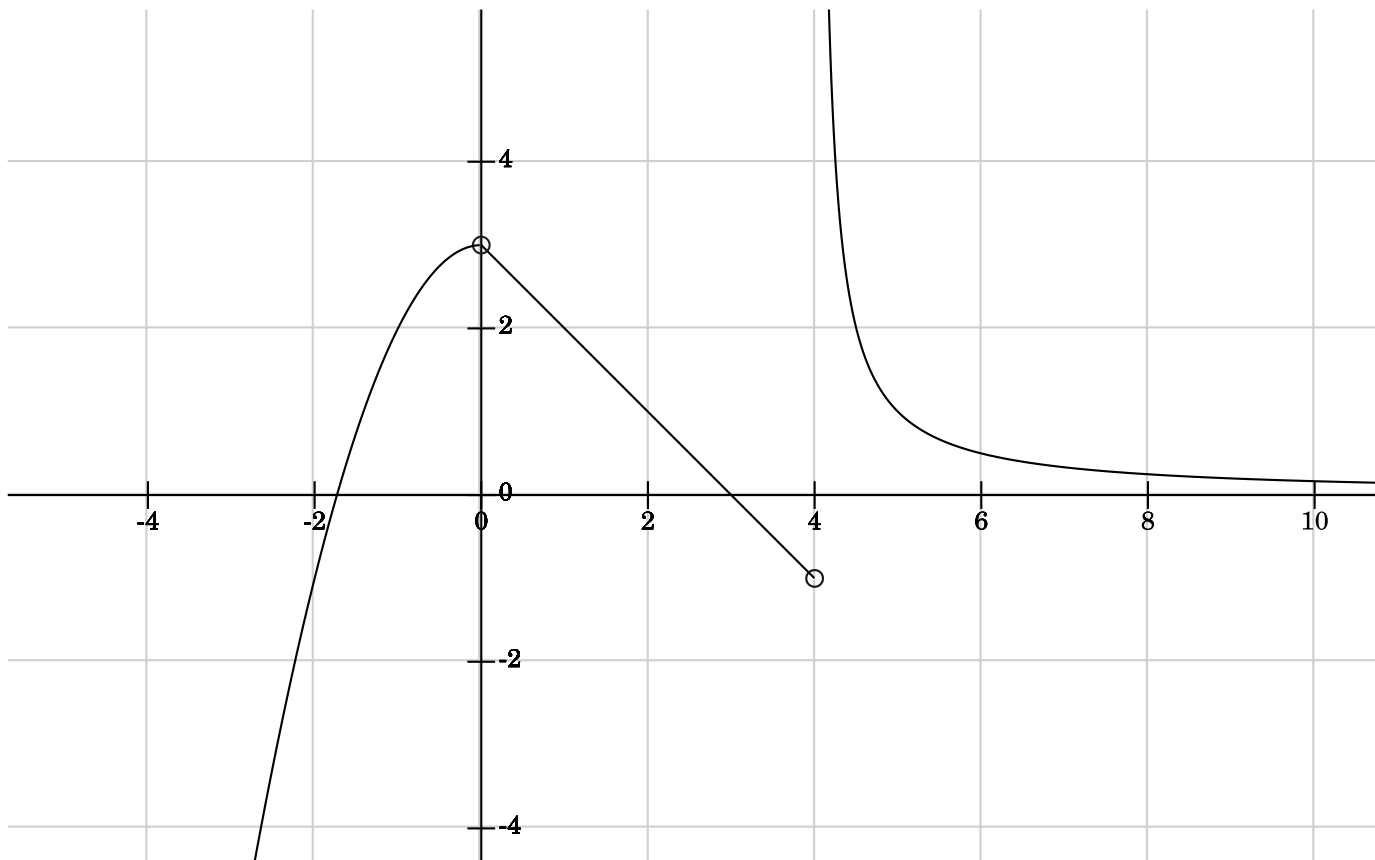
h is discontinuous at $x = -2$ because $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} h(x)$ DNE or because $f(-2)$ is undefined

h is discontinuous at $x = 0$ because $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} h(x)$ DNE

Note h is continuous at $x = 16$ because $\lim_{x \rightarrow 16} h(x) = h(16)$

62. Let $F(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{x-4} & \text{if } x > 4 \\ 3-x & \text{if } 0 < x < 4 \\ 3-x^2 & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$

Sketch the graph.



Find the numbers at which F is discontinuous. Evaluate:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} F(x) = \boxed{3} \text{ b/c RHL=LHL}$$

$$\text{RHL: } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} F(x) = 3$$

$$\text{LHL: } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} F(x) = 3$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} F(x) = \boxed{\text{DNE b/c RHL} \neq \text{LHL}}$$

$$\text{RHL: } \lim_{x \rightarrow 4^+} F(x) = +\infty$$

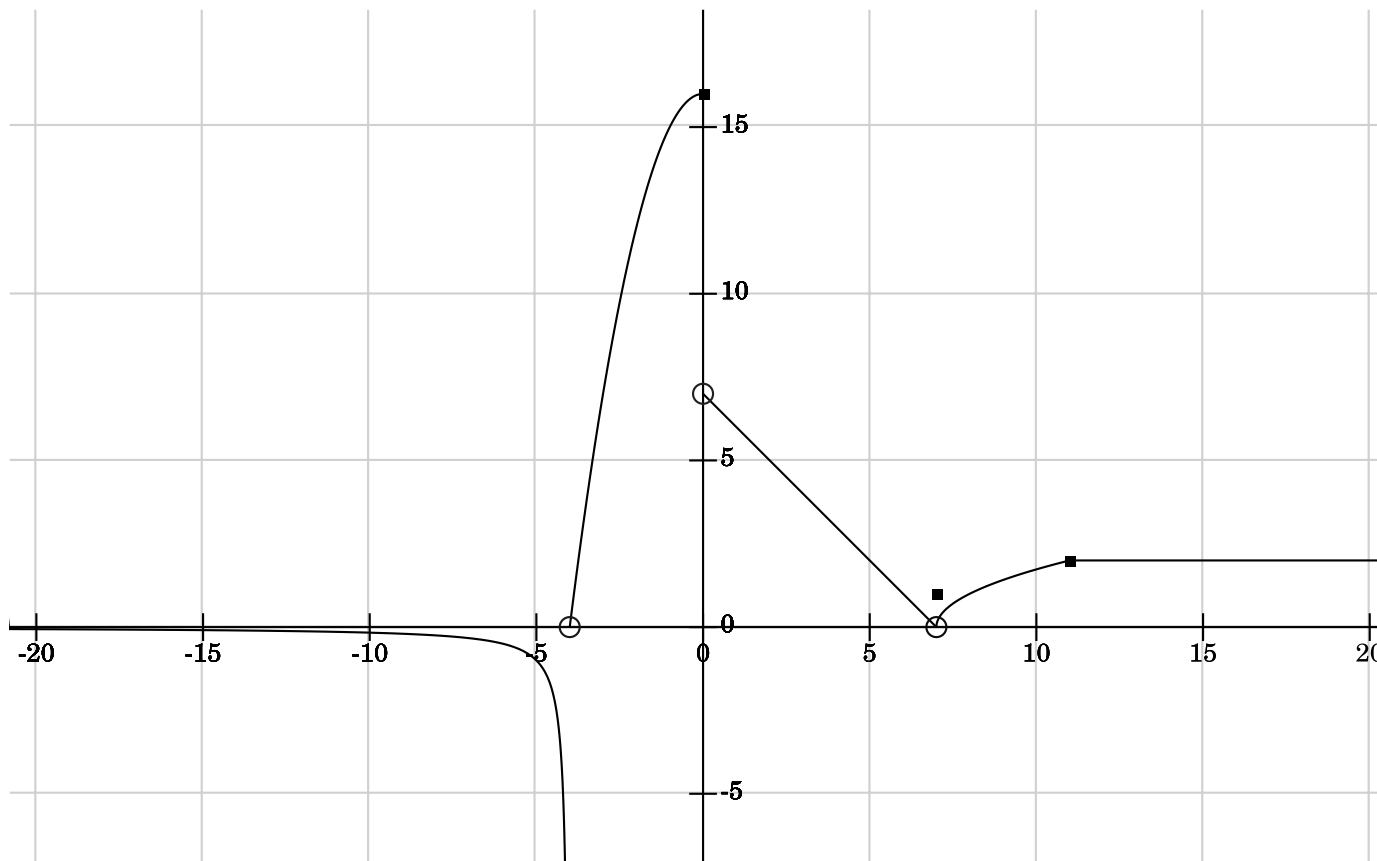
$$\text{LHL: } \lim_{x \rightarrow 4^-} F(x) = -1$$

f is discontinuous at $x = 0$ because $f(0)$ is undefined

f is discontinuous at $x = 4$ because $f(4)$ is undefined or because $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} F(x)$ DNE

$$63. \text{ Let } f(x) = \begin{cases} 2 & \text{if } x \geq 11 \\ \sqrt{x-7} & \text{if } 7 < x < 11 \\ 1 & \text{if } x = 7 \\ 7-x & \text{if } 0 < x < 7 \\ 16-x^2 & \text{if } -4 < x \leq 0 \\ \frac{1}{x+4} & \text{if } x < -4 \end{cases}$$

Sketch the graph.



Find the numbers at which f is discontinuous. Justify your answer(s) using the definition of continuity.

- f is discontinuous at $x = 7$, because despite the fact that $f(7) = 1$ is defined, and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 7} f(x) = 0$, those two values are not equal.
- f is discontinuous at $x = 0$, because despite the fact that $f(0) = 16$ is defined, the $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$ DOES NOT EXIST.
- f is discontinuous at $x = -4$ for two reasons, $f(-4)$ is undefined, and the $\lim_{x \rightarrow -4} f(x)$ DOES NOT EXIST.

Note that f is continuous at $x = 11$ because $\lim_{x \rightarrow 11} f(x) = 2 = f(11)$

Evaluate:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -4} f(x) = \boxed{\text{DOES NOT EXIST since RHL} \neq \text{LHL}}$$

$$\text{RHL: } \lim_{x \rightarrow -4^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow -4^+} 16 - x^2 = 0$$

$$\text{LHL: } \lim_{x \rightarrow -4^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow -4^-} \frac{1}{x+4} = \frac{1}{0^-} = -\infty$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = \boxed{\text{DOES NOT EXIST since RHL} \neq \text{LHL}}$$

$$\text{RHL: } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} 7 - x = 7 \quad \text{LHL: } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} 16 - x^2 = 16$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 7} f(x) = \boxed{0} \text{ since RHL=LHL}$$

$$\text{RHL: } \lim_{x \rightarrow 7^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 7^+} \sqrt{x-7} = 0 \quad \text{LHL: } \lim_{x \rightarrow 7^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 7^-} 7 - x = 0$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 11} f(x) = \boxed{2}$$

$$\text{RHL: } \lim_{x \rightarrow 11^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 11^+} 2 = 2$$

$$\text{LHL: } \lim_{x \rightarrow 11^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 11^-} \sqrt{x-7} = \sqrt{4} = 2$$