

1. Compute the following limits. Showing no work will receive **zero** points.

(a) (3 points)

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{(2+h)^2 + 1} - \sqrt{5}}{h} &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(2+h)^2 + 1 - 5}{h(\sqrt{(2+h)^2 + 1} + \sqrt{5})} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h^2 + 4h + 4 + 1 - 5}{h(\sqrt{(2+h)^2 + 1} + \sqrt{5})} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h(h+4)}{h(\sqrt{(2+h)^2 + 1} + \sqrt{5})} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h+4}{\sqrt{(2+h)^2 + 1} + \sqrt{5}} \\ &= \frac{4}{2\sqrt{5}} \\ &= \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \end{aligned}$$

(b) (3 points) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4x^3 + 5x^2}{\sqrt[3]{8x^9 + 3x}}$

Multiply top and bottom by $\frac{1}{x^3}$, simplify so it looks like

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4 + \frac{5}{x}}{\sqrt[3]{8 + \frac{3}{x^8}}}$$

and then take the limit and get 2.



2. (a) (1 point) Find a number c so that the function below is continuous for all x .

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

$$c + 1 = 1 + 4 \text{ when } c = 4.$$

(b) (3 points) Recall that a function is continuous at $x = a$ if

(i) a is in the domain

(ii) $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = g(a)$.

Explain why the c you found in Part (a) guarantees that f is continuous **for all** x .

(1 point) Polynomials are continuous so the only discontinuity could be at $x = 1$.

(1 point) $x = 1$ is in the domain since $f(1) = 5$.

(1 point) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x) = f(1)$ if and only if the left and right hand limits exist. When $c = 4$,
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x) = 5 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x) = f(1)$.