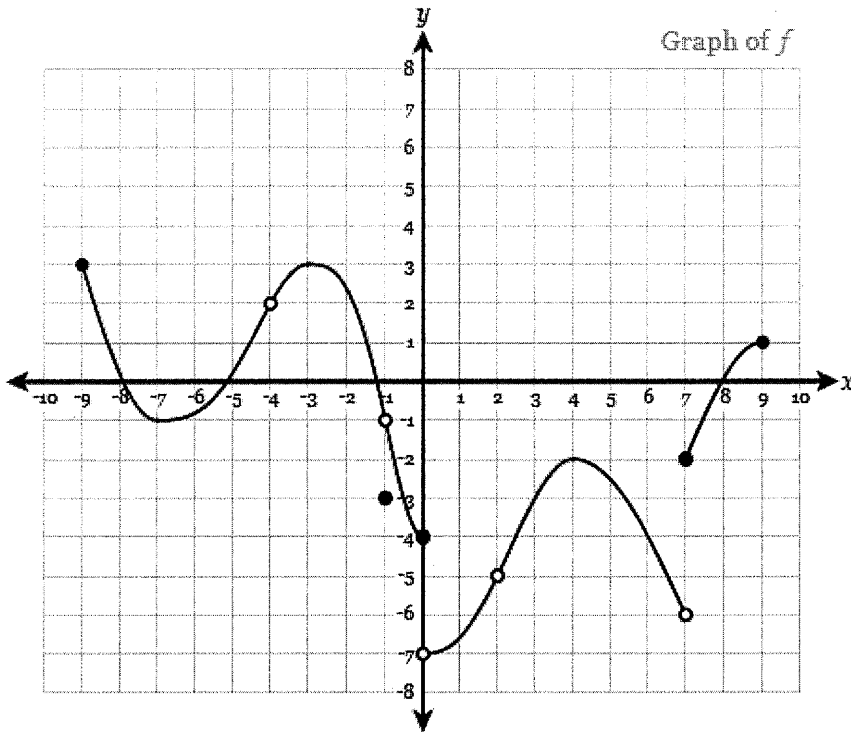


Non-AP Calculus 1.4-1.5 Continuity/IVT/Limits Classwork Problems

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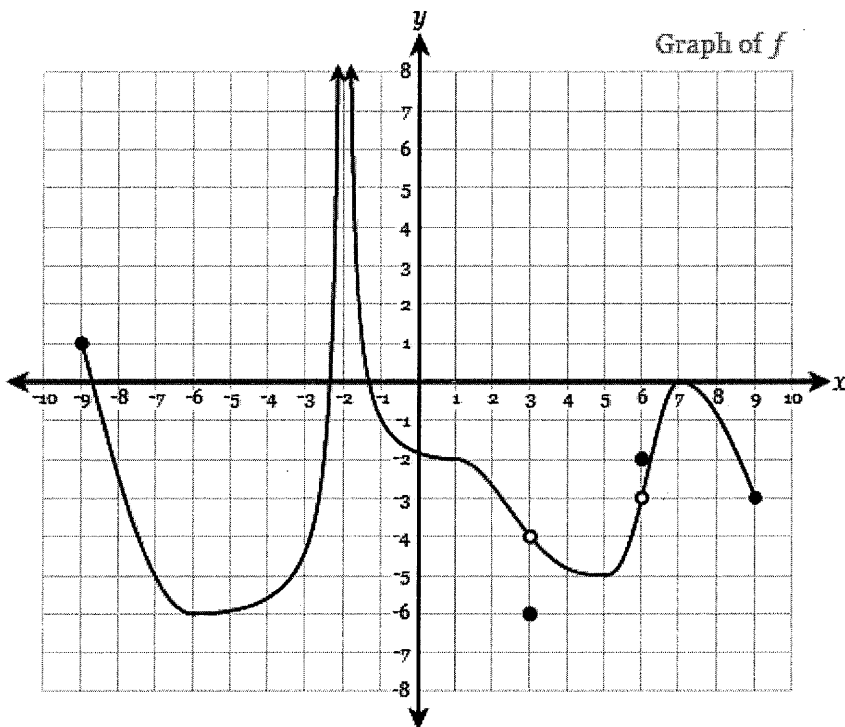
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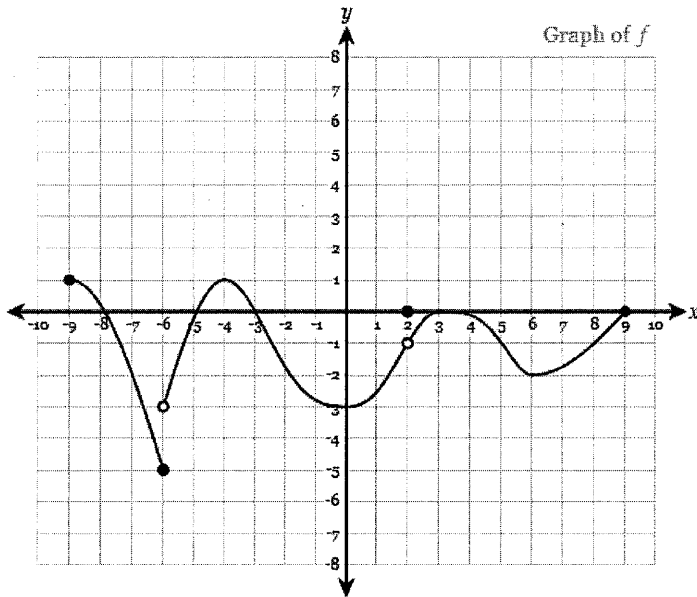


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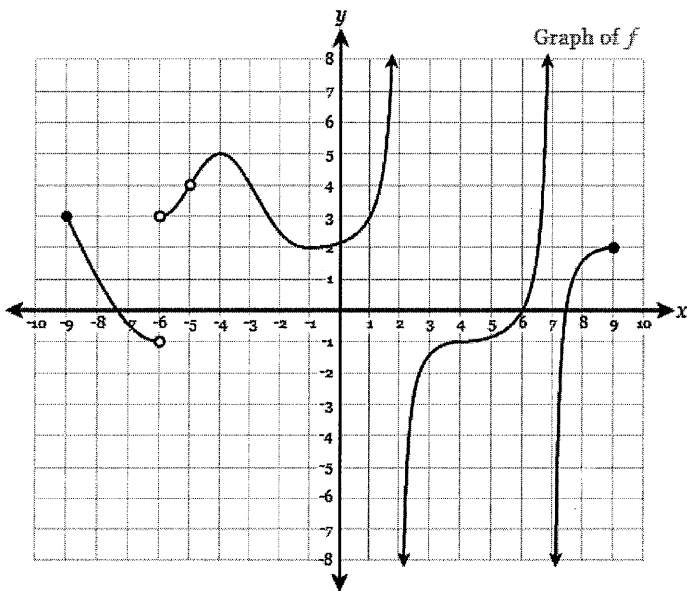
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$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 - 4x + 6, & x < 3 \\ -x^2 + 4x - 2, & x \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

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95.  $f(x) = x^2 + x - 1$ ,  $[0, 5]$ ,  $f(c) = 11$

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Find the following:

$$1) \lim_{x \rightarrow -3^-} \frac{9-x^2}{x-4} =$$

$$2) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{5x-x^2}{x^2-x} =$$

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

$$4) \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{3x^2-1}{25-x^2} =$$

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

$$6) \lim_{x \rightarrow -4^+} \frac{2x^2-1}{x^2-16} =$$

$$7) \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} \frac{x^2-2}{x^2+2x+1} =$$

$$8) \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} \frac{4x^2-14x+6}{x-3} =$$

**Finding a One-Sided Limit** In Exercises 33–48, find the one-sided limit (if it exists).

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$$34. \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{-1}{(x - 1)^2}$$

$$35. \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{x}{x - 2}$$

$$36. \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{x^2}{x^2 + 4}$$

$$37. \lim_{x \rightarrow -3^-} \frac{x + 3}{x^2 + x - 6}$$

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

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x)$$

$$51. f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2 - 25}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 5^-} f(x)$$

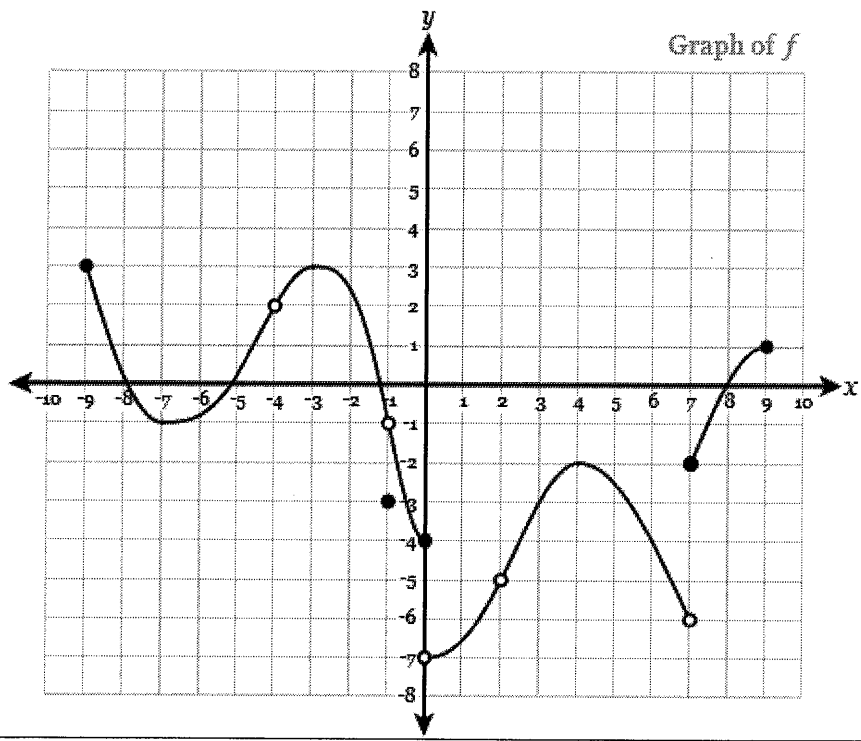
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1) Identify values of x and determine the types of discontinuity for the below graph:



Non-Removable Discontinuity:

$x = 0$

$x = 7$

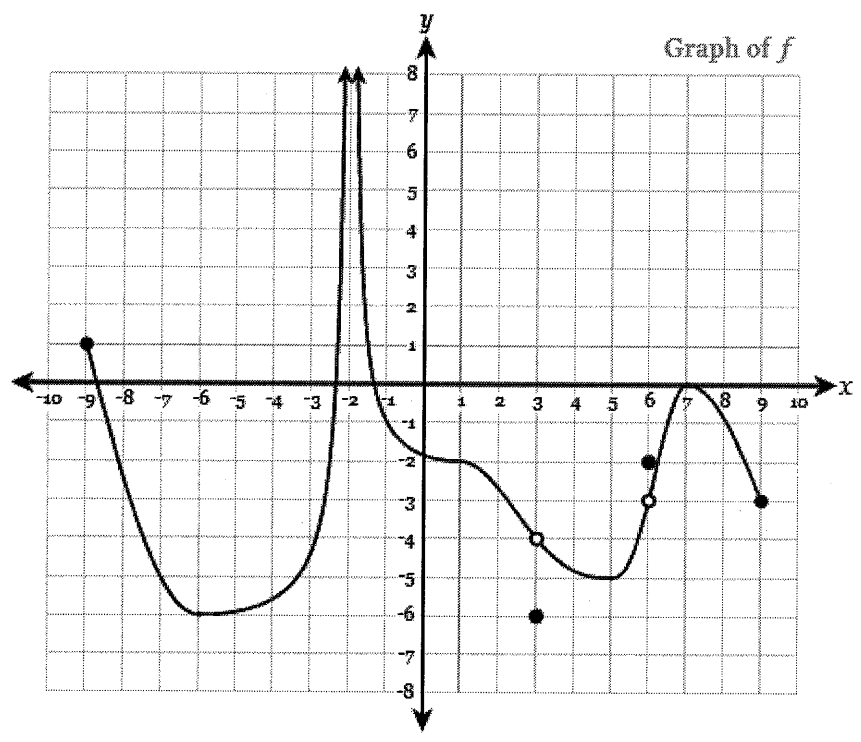
Removable Discontinuity:

$x = -4$

$x = -1$

$x = 2$

2) Identify values of x and determine the types of discontinuity for the below graph:



Non-Removable Discontinuity:

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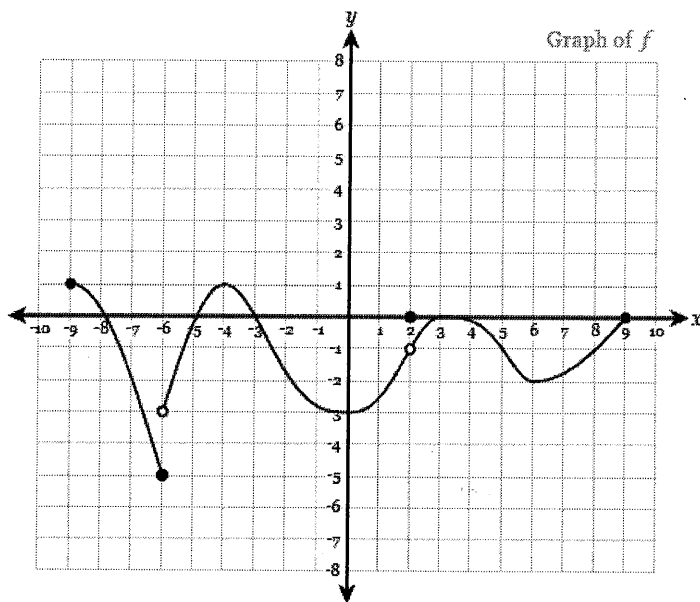
Removable Discontinuity:

$x = 3$

$x = 6$

## Continuity Conditions

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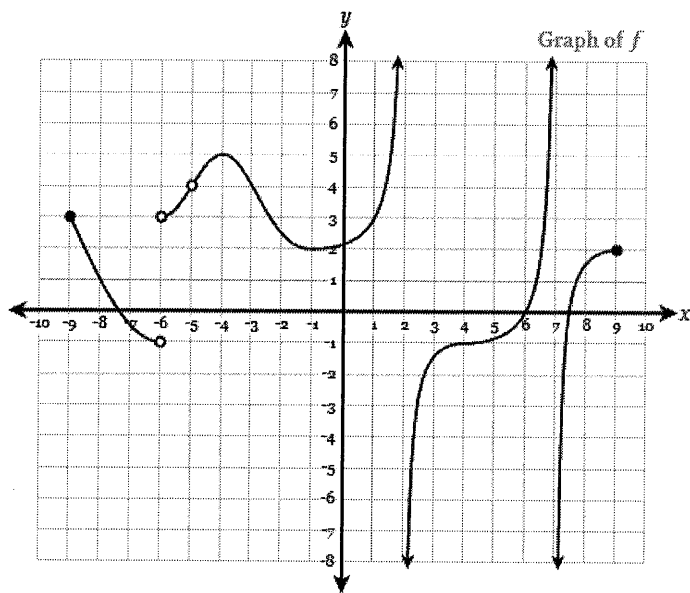
3) Use the definition of continuity to determine whether the function  $f(x)$  graphed below is continuous at  $x=2$ .

$$i) f(2) = 0$$

$$ii) \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = -1$$

$$iii) f(2) \neq \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x)$$

Removable discontinuity  
at  $x=2$



4) Use the definition of continuity to determine whether the function  $f(x)$  graphed below is continuous at  $x=-6$ .

$$i) f(-6) = \text{undefined}$$

$$ii) \lim_{x \rightarrow -6^-} f(x) = -1 \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow -6^+} f(x) = 3$$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow -6} f(x)$  does not exist

Nonremovable discontinuity  
at  $x=-6$



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$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 - 4x + 6, & x < 3 \\ -x^2 + 4x - 2, & x \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

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$$ii) \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} x^2 - 4x + 6 = 3 \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} -x^2 + 4x - 2 = 1$$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x)$  does not exist

Nonremovable discontinuity at  $x=3$

6)

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x, & x \leq 1 \\ 1-x, & x > 1 \end{cases}$$

$$i) f(1) = 1$$

$$ii) \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} x = 1 \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} 1-x = 0, \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x) \text{ does not exist}$$

Nonremovable discontinuity at  $x=1$

7)

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x+2}{2}, & x \leq 3 \\ \frac{12-2x}{3}, & x > 3 \end{cases}$$

$$i) f(3) = \frac{3+2}{2} = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$ii) \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} \frac{x+2}{2} = \frac{5}{2} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} \frac{12-2(3)}{3} = \frac{6}{3} = 2$$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x)$  does not exist

Nonremovable discontinuity at  $x=3$

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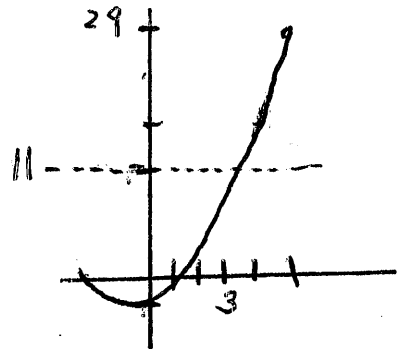
$f(0) = -1$

$f(5) = 29$

By IVT, since  $f(0) < 11 < f(5)$   
 $f(c) = 11$  in interval  $[0, 5]$

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 + x - 1 &= 11 \\ x^2 + x - 12 &= 0 \\ (x+4)(x-3) &= 0 \\ x &= -4, x = 3 \end{aligned}$$

$c = 3$



96.  $f(x) = x^2 - 6x + 8$ ,  $[0, 3]$ ,  $f(c) = 0$

$f(x)$  continuous  $[0, 3]$

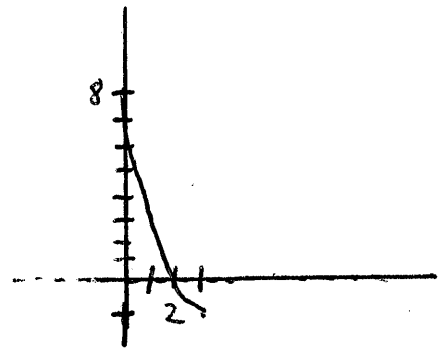
$f(0) = 8$

$f(3) = -1$

By IVT, since  $f(3) < 0 < f(0)$ ,  
 $f(c) = 0$  in interval  $[0, 3]$

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 - 6x + 8 &= 0 \\ (x-4)(x-2) &= 0 \\ x &= 4, x = 2 \end{aligned}$$

$c = 2$



97.  $f(x) = x^3 - x^2 + x - 2$ ,  $[0, 3]$ ,  $f(c) = 4$

$f(x)$  continuous  $[0, 3]$

$f(0) = -2$

$f(3) = 19$

By IVT, since  $f(0) < 4 < f(3)$   
 $f(c) = 4$  in interval  $[0, 3]$

$$\begin{aligned} x^3 - x^2 + x - 2 &= 4 \\ x^3 - x^2 + x - 6 &= 0 \\ (x-2)(x^2 + x + 3) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{l|l} x-2=0 & x^2+x+3=0 \\ x=2 & \text{no solution} \end{array}$$

$c = 2$

Find the following:

$$1) \lim_{x \rightarrow -3^-} \frac{9-x^2}{x-4} = \frac{9-(-3)^2}{-3-4} = \frac{0}{-7}$$

$\boxed{0}$

$$2) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{5x-x^2}{x^2-x} = \frac{0}{0}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{\cancel{x}(5-x)}{\cancel{x}(x-1)} \rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{5-x}{x-1} = \frac{5-0}{0-1} = \frac{5}{-1}$$

$= \boxed{-5}$

$$3) \lim_{x \rightarrow -2^-} \frac{x^2+1}{x+2} = \frac{(-2)^2+1}{-2+2} = \frac{5}{0}$$

test  $x = -2.1$

VA, Limit DNE  $\begin{matrix} \nearrow +\infty \\ \searrow -\infty \end{matrix}$

$$\frac{(-2.1)^2+1}{-2.1+2} = \frac{+}{-} = \boxed{-\infty}$$

$$4) \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{3x^2-1}{25-x^2} = \frac{3(5)^2-1}{25-5^2} = \frac{74}{0} \begin{matrix} \nearrow +\infty \\ \searrow -\infty \end{matrix}$$

$\boxed{\text{limit does not exist}}$

$$5) \lim_{x \rightarrow -3^+} \frac{2x^2+3x-9}{x+3} = \frac{2(-3)^2-9-9}{0} = \frac{0}{0}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -3^+} \frac{2(x-3)(\cancel{x+3})}{(\cancel{x+3})} = 2(-3)-3 = \boxed{-9}$$

$$6) \lim_{x \rightarrow -4^+} \frac{2x^2-1}{x^2-16} = \frac{2(-4)^2-1}{(-4)^2-16} = \frac{31}{0} \begin{matrix} \nearrow +\infty \\ \searrow -\infty \end{matrix}$$

$$\frac{2(-3.9)^2-1}{(-3.9)^2-16} = \frac{+}{-} = \boxed{-\infty}$$

$$7) \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} \frac{x^2-2}{x^2+2x+1} = \frac{1-2}{1^2+2+1} = \frac{-1}{4} = \boxed{\frac{-1}{4}}$$

$$8) \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} \frac{4x^2-14x+6}{x-3} = \frac{4(9)-14(3)+6}{3-3} = \frac{0}{0}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} \frac{2(2x^2-7x+3)}{(x-3)}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} \frac{2(2x-1)(\cancel{x-3})}{(\cancel{x-3})} = 2(2(3)-1) = 2(5) = \boxed{10}$$

**Finding a One-Sided Limit** In Exercises 33–48, find the one-sided limit (if it exists).

33.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1^+} \frac{1}{x+1}$   $\frac{1}{0} \begin{matrix} \nearrow +\infty \\ \searrow -\infty \end{matrix}$  V.A.  
 $\xrightarrow{-0.9}$   
 $\frac{1}{-0.9+1} = \frac{+}{+} = \boxed{+\infty}$

34.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{-1}{(x-1)^2}$   $\rightarrow \frac{-1}{0^2} \begin{matrix} \nearrow +\infty \\ \searrow -\infty \end{matrix}$  V.A.  
 $x=0.9$   
 $\frac{-1}{(0.9-1)^2} = \frac{-}{+} = \boxed{-\infty}$

35.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{x}{x-2}$   $\rightarrow \frac{2}{0} \begin{matrix} \nearrow +\infty \\ \searrow -\infty \end{matrix}$  V.A.  
 $\xrightarrow{\text{test } x=2.1}$   
 $\frac{2.1}{2.1-2} = \frac{+}{+} = \boxed{+\infty}$

36.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{x^2}{x^2+4} = \frac{2^2}{2^2+4} = \frac{4}{8} = \boxed{\frac{1}{2}}$

37.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3^-} \frac{x+3}{x^2+x-6}$   $\frac{-3+3}{3^2+3-6} = \frac{0}{0}$   
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3^-} \frac{\cancel{x+3}}{\cancel{(x+3)}(x-2)}$   
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3^-} \frac{1}{x-2} = \frac{1}{-3-2} = \boxed{\frac{-1}{5}}$

50.  $f(x) = \frac{x^3-1}{x^2+x+1}$   
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x)$   
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{x^3-1}{x^2+x+1} = \frac{1-1}{1+1+1} = \frac{0}{3} = \boxed{0}$

51.  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2-25}$   $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5^-} \frac{1}{x^2-25} = \frac{1}{0} \begin{matrix} \nearrow +\infty \\ \searrow -\infty \end{matrix}$  V.A.  
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5^-} f(x)$  test  $x=4.9$

$\frac{1}{4.9^2-25} = \frac{+}{-} = \boxed{-\infty}$