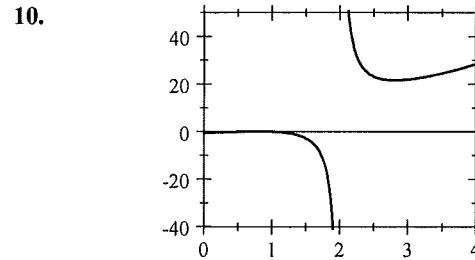
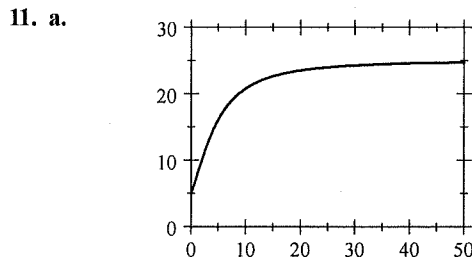


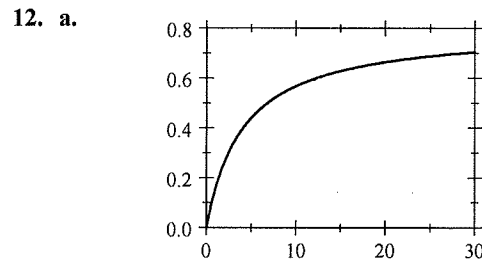
From the graph we see that  $f(x)$  does not approach any finite number as  $x$  approaches 3.



From the graph, we see that  $f(x)$  does not approach any finite number as  $x$  approaches 2.



b.  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{25t^2 + 125t + 200}{t^2 + 5t + 40} = 25$ , so in the long run the population will approach 25,000.



b.  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{0.8t}{t + 4.1} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{0.8}{1 + \frac{4.1}{t}} = 0.8$ .

## 2.5 One-Sided Limits and Continuity

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- $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} f(x) = 2$  means  $f(x)$  can be made as close to 2 as we please by taking  $x$  sufficiently close to but to the left of  $x = 3$ .  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} f(x) = 4$  means  $f(x)$  can be made as close to 4 as we please by taking  $x$  sufficiently close to but to the right of  $x = 3$ .
- a.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x)$  does not exist because the left- and right-hand limits at  $x = 1$  are different.

b. Nothing, because the existence or value of  $f$  at  $x = 1$  does not depend on the existence (or nonexistence) of the left- or right-hand, or two-sided, limits of  $f$ .
- a.  $f$  is continuous at  $a$  if  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = f(a)$ .

b.  $f$  is continuous on an interval  $I$  if  $f$  is continuous at each point in  $I$ .
- $f(a) = L = M$ .
- a.  $f$  is continuous because the plane does not suddenly jump from one point to another.

b.  $f$  is continuous.

c.  $f$  is discontinuous because the fare “jumps” after the cab has covered a certain distance or after a certain amount of time has elapsed.

d.  $f$  is discontinuous because the rates “jump” by a certain amount (up or down) when it is adjusted at certain times.

6. Refer to page 127 in the text. Answers will vary.

**Exercises** page 130

1.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x) = 3$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x) = 2$ , so  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x)$  does not exist.
  2.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} f(x) = 3$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} f(x) = 5$ , so  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x)$  does not exist.
  3.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1^-} f(x) = \infty$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1^+} f(x) = 2$ , so  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} f(x)$  does not exist.
  4.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x) = 3$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x) = 3$ , so  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x) = 3$ .
  5.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x) = 0$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x) = 2$ , so  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x)$  does not exist.
  6.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = 2$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = \infty$ , so  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$  does not exist.
  7.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = -2$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = 2$ , so  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$  does not exist.
  8.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = 2$ .
9. True.      10. True.      11. True.      12. True.      13. False.      14. True.
15. True.      16. True.      17. False.      18. True.      19. True.      20. False.
21.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} (2x + 4) = 6$ .
  22.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} (3x - 4) = -1$ .
  23.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{x-3}{x+2} = \frac{2-3}{2+2} = -\frac{1}{4}$ .
  24.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} \frac{x+2}{x+1} = \frac{1+2}{1+1} = \frac{3}{2}$ .
  25.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{x}$  does not exist because  $\frac{1}{x} \rightarrow \infty$  as  $x \rightarrow 0$  from the right.
  26.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{1}{x} = \infty$ ; that is, the limit does not exist.
  27.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{x-1}{x^2+1} = \frac{-1}{1} = -1$ .
  28.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{x+1}{x^2-2x+3} = \frac{2+1}{4-4+3} = 1$ .
  29.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \sqrt{x} = \sqrt{\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x} = 0$ .
  30.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} 2\sqrt{x-2} = 2 \cdot 0 = 0$ .
  31.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} (2x + \sqrt{2+x}) = \lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} 2x + \lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} \sqrt{2+x} = -4 + 0 = -4$ .
  32.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -5^+} x(1 + \sqrt{5+x}) = -5[1 + \sqrt{5+(-5)}] = -5$ .
  33.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{1+x}{1-x} = \infty$ , that is, the limit does not exist.

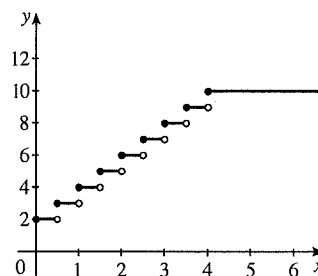
34.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} \frac{1+x}{1-x} = -\infty.$
35.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{x^2 - 4}{x - 2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{(x+2)(x-2)}{x-2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} (x+2) = 4.$
36.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3^+} \frac{\sqrt{x+3}}{x^2 + 1} = \frac{0}{10} = 0.$
37.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x^2 = 0$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} 2x = 0.$
38.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (2x + 3) = 3$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} (-x + 1) = 1.$
39. The function is discontinuous at  $x = 0$ . Conditions 2 and 3 are violated.
40. The function is not continuous because condition 3 for continuity is not satisfied.
41. The function is continuous everywhere.
42. The function is continuous everywhere.
43. The function is discontinuous at  $x = 0$ . Condition 3 is violated.
44. The function is not continuous at  $x = -1$  because condition 3 for continuity is violated.
45.  $f$  is continuous for all values of  $x$ .
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47.  $f$  is continuous for all values of  $x$ . Note that  $x^2 + 1 \geq 1 > 0$ .
48.  $f$  is continuous for all values of  $x$ . Note that  $2x^2 + 1 \geq 1 > 0$ .
49.  $f$  is discontinuous at  $x = \frac{1}{2}$ , where the denominator is 0. Thus,  $f$  is continuous on  $(-\infty, \frac{1}{2})$  and  $(\frac{1}{2}, \infty)$ .
50.  $f$  is discontinuous at  $x = 1$ , where the denominator is 0. Thus,  $f$  is continuous on  $(-\infty, 1)$  and  $(1, \infty)$ .
51. Observe that  $x^2 + x - 2 = (x + 2)(x - 1) = 0$  if  $x = -2$  or  $x = 1$ , so  $f$  is discontinuous at these values of  $x$ . Thus,  $f$  is continuous on  $(-\infty, -2)$ ,  $(-2, 1)$ , and  $(1, \infty)$ .
52. Observe that  $x^2 + 2x - 3 = (x + 3)(x - 1) = 0$  if  $x = -3$  or  $x = 1$ , so,  $f$  is discontinuous at these values of  $x$ . Thus,  $f$  is continuous on  $(-\infty, -3)$ ,  $(-3, 1)$ , and  $(1, \infty)$ .
53.  $f$  is continuous everywhere since all three conditions are satisfied.
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56.  $f$  is not defined at  $x = 1$  and is discontinuous there. It is continuous everywhere else.
57. Because the denominator  $x^2 - 1 = (x - 1)(x + 1) = 0$  if  $x = -1$  or  $1$ , we see that  $f$  is discontinuous at  $-1$  and  $1$ .

58. The function  $f$  is not defined at  $x = 1$  and  $x = 2$ . Therefore,  $f$  is discontinuous at 1 and 2.
59. Because  $x^2 - 3x + 2 = (x - 2)(x - 1) = 0$  if  $x = 1$  or 2, we see that the denominator is zero at these points and so  $f$  is discontinuous at these numbers.
60. The denominator of the function  $f$  is equal to zero when  $x^2 - 2x = x(x - 2) = 0$ ; that is, when  $x = 0$  or  $x = 2$ . Therefore,  $f$  is discontinuous at  $x = 0$  and  $x = 2$ .
61. The function  $f$  is discontinuous at  $x = 4, 5, 6, \dots, 13$  because the limit of  $f$  does not exist at these points.
62.  $f$  is discontinuous at  $t = 20, 40,$  and  $60$ . When  $t = 0$ , the inventory stands at 750 reams. The level drops to about 200 reams by the twentieth day at which time a new order of 500 reams arrives to replenish the supply. A similar interpretation holds for the other values of  $t$ .
63. Having made steady progress up to  $x = x_1$ , Michael's progress comes to a standstill at that point. Then at  $x = x_2$  a sudden breakthrough occurs and he then continues to solve the problem.
64. The total deposits of Franklin make a jump at each of these points as the deposits of the ailing institutions become a part of the total deposits of the parent company.
65. Conditions 2 and 3 are not satisfied at any of these points.
66. The function  $P$  is discontinuous at  $t = 12, 16,$  and  $28$ . At  $t = 12$ , the prime interest rate jumped from  $3\frac{1}{2}\%$  to  $4\%$ , at  $t = 16$  it jumped to  $4\frac{1}{2}\%$ , and at  $t = 28$  it jumped back down to  $4\%$ .

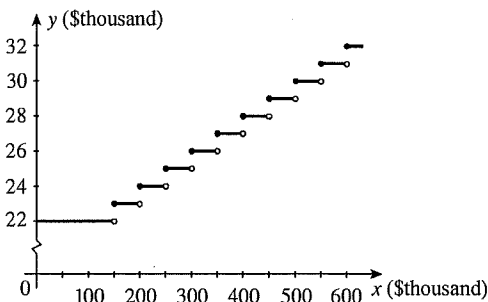
67.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 2 & \text{if } 0 < x \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ 3 & \text{if } \frac{1}{2} < x \leq 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 10 & \text{if } 4\frac{1}{2} < x \leq 5 \end{cases}$$

$f$  is discontinuous at  $x = \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1\frac{1}{2}, \dots, 4$ .

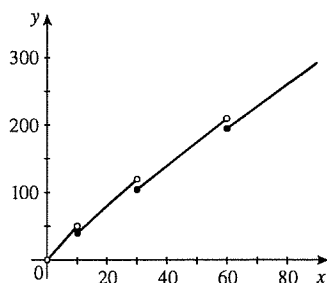


68.



$f$  is discontinuous at  $x = 150,000$ , at  $x = 200,000$ , at  $x = 250,000$ , and so on.

69.



$C$  is discontinuous at  $x = 0, 10, 30,$  and  $60$ .

70. a.  $\lim_{v \rightarrow u^+} \frac{aLv^3}{v-u} = \infty$ . This reflects the fact that when the speed of the fish is very close to that of the current, the energy expended by the fish will be enormous.
- b.  $\lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} \frac{aLv^3}{v-u} = \infty$ . This says that if the speed of the fish increases greatly, so does the amount of energy required to swim a distance of  $L$  ft.
71. a.  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} S(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{a}{t} + b = \infty$ . As the time taken to excite the tissue is made shorter and shorter, the electric current gets stronger and stronger.
- b.  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a}{t} + b = b$ . As the time taken to excite the tissue is made longer and longer, the electric current gets weaker and weaker and approaches  $b$ .
72. a.  $\lim_{D \rightarrow 0^+} L = \lim_{D \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{Y - (1-D)R}{D} = \infty$ , so if the investor puts down next to nothing to secure the loan, the leverage approaches infinity.
- b.  $\lim_{D \rightarrow 1} L = \lim_{D \rightarrow 1} \frac{Y - (1-D)R}{D} = Y$ , so if the investor puts down all of the money to secure the loan, the leverage is equal to the yield.
73. We require that  $f(1) = 1 + 2 = 3 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} kx^2 = k$ , so  $k = 3$ .
74. Because  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \frac{x^2 - 4}{x + 2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \frac{(x-2)(x+2)}{x+2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -2} (x-2) = -4$ , we define  $f(-2) = k = -4$ , that is, take  $k = -4$ .
75. a.  $f$  is a polynomial of degree 2 and is therefore continuous everywhere, including the interval  $[1, 3]$ .
- b.  $f(1) = 3$  and  $f(3) = -1$  and so  $f$  must have at least one zero in  $(1, 3)$ .
76. a.  $f$  is a polynomial of degree 3 and is thus continuous everywhere.
- b.  $f(0) = 14$  and  $f(1) = -23$  and so  $f$  has at least one zero in  $(0, 1)$ .
77. a.  $f$  is a polynomial of degree 3 and is therefore continuous on  $[-1, 1]$ .
- b.  $f(-1) = (-1)^3 - 2(-1)^2 + 3(-1) + 2 = -1 - 2 - 3 + 2 = -4$  and  $f(1) = 1 - 2 + 3 + 2 = 4$ . Because  $f(-1)$  and  $f(1)$  have opposite signs, we see that  $f$  has at least one zero in  $(-1, 1)$ .