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 Quiz # 2W

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1. For $f(x) = \frac{1}{x-3}$ and $g(x) = \sqrt{x+1}$ find the compositions $f \circ g$ and the domains: $D_f, D_g, D_{f \circ g}$. [5]

2. For $g(x) = \frac{|x-3|}{x^2-4x+3}$ find $\lim g(x)$
 (a) as $x \rightarrow 3^-$; (b) as $x \rightarrow 1^+$ (c) as $x \rightarrow +\infty$. [5]

3. For $f(x) = \frac{1-(2x-1)^2}{x^2+x}$ find $\lim f(x)$
 (a) as $x \rightarrow 0$; (b) as $x \rightarrow -\infty$ (c) as $x \rightarrow -1^+$. [5]

SOLUTION

For 1)

First domain of the given functions

for $f(x) = \frac{1}{x-3}$ it must $x-3 \neq 0$ $D_f = \{x \neq 3\}$ and

for $g(x) = \sqrt{x+1}$ it must $x+1 \geq 0$ $x \geq -1$ $D_g = [-1, \infty)$

for $x \geq -1$

$$(f \circ g)(x) = f(\dots) = \frac{1}{(\dots)-3} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+1}-3} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x+1}+3}{\sqrt{x+1}+3} = \frac{\sqrt{x+1}+3}{x-8}$$

OR $\sqrt{x+1}-3 \neq 0$ $\sqrt{x+1} \neq 3$ $x \neq 9-1$

so $x \neq 8$ together $D_{f \circ g} = [-1, 8) \cup (8, +\infty)$

For 2a)

first $x < 3$ $x-3 < 0$ $|x-3| = -(x-3)$

$$g(x) = \frac{|x-3|}{x^2-4x+3} = \frac{-(x-3)}{(x-3)(x-1)} = \frac{-1}{x-1} \text{ thus}$$

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

for b)

for $x > 1$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} g(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} \frac{|x-3|}{(x-3)(x-1)} = \frac{2}{-2 \cdot 0^+} = \frac{1}{0^-} = -\infty$$

also we can use the simplified from from part a) since x is close to 1 thus $x < 3$

For c)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} g(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{|x-3|}{x^2 - 4x + 3} \cdot \frac{1}{x^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\frac{|x-3|}{x^2}}{1 - \frac{4}{x} + \frac{3}{x^2}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\left| \frac{1}{x} - \frac{3}{x^2} \right|}{1 - \frac{4}{x} + \frac{3}{x^2}} = \frac{0}{1} = 0$$

OR since x is big positive $|x-3| = x-3$ and

$$g(x) = \frac{(x-3)}{(x-3)(x-1)} = \frac{1}{x-1}$$

and $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} g(x) \stackrel{!}{=} \frac{1}{\infty} = 0$

For 3)

for $x \neq 0, -1$

$$f(x) = \frac{1 - (2x-1)^2}{x^2 + x} = \frac{1 - (4x^2 - 4x + 1)}{x(x+1)} = \frac{-4x(x-1)}{x(x+1)} = \frac{-4(x-1)}{(x+1)}$$

for a)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-4(x-1)}{(x+1)} = 4$$

for b)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{1 - (2x-1)^2}{x^2 + x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{-4x^2 + 4x}{x^2 + x} \cdot \frac{\frac{1}{x^2}}{\frac{1}{x^2}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{-4 + \frac{4}{x}}{1 + \frac{1}{x}} = -4$$

for c)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -1^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow -1^+} \frac{-4(x-1)}{(x+1)} = \frac{8}{0^+} = +\infty$$