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(12) 1. Find the limit, if it exists.

(4)

(a)
$$\lim_{x \to -2} \frac{-2x - 4}{x^3 + 2x^2} \left(= \frac{0}{0} \right) = -2 \lim_{x \to -2} \frac{x + 2}{x^2(x + 2)} = -2 \lim_{x \to -2} \frac{1}{x^2} = \frac{-2}{4} = -\frac{1}{2}$$

(b)
$$\lim_{u \to 1} \frac{u^4 - 1}{u^3 - 1} \left(= \frac{0}{0} \right) = \lim_{u \to 1} \frac{(u - 1)(u + 1)(u^2 + 1)}{(u - 1)(u^2 + u + 1)} \lim_{u \to 1} \frac{(u + 1)(u^2 + 1)}{(u^2 + u + 1)} = \frac{4}{3}$$

(c)
$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\tan 2x}{x} \left(= \frac{0}{0} \right) = 2 \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\tan 2x}{2x} 2(1) = 2$$

(d)
$$\lim_{x \to -2^-} (x + 3) \frac{|x + 2|}{x + 2} = \lim_{x \to -2^-} (x + 3) \lim_{x \to -2^-} \frac{|x + 2|}{x + 2} = (1) \lim_{x \to -2^-} \frac{-(x + 2)}{x + 2} = -1$$

2. Use the graph of the greatest integer function $y = \lfloor x \rfloor$ to help you find $\lim_{\theta \to 3^-} \frac{\lfloor \theta \rfloor}{\theta}$ (The correct limit gets full credit; otherwise the graph of $y = \lfloor x \rfloor$ will receive partial credit.)

The graph of $y = \lfloor x \rfloor$ is Figure 1.10 on page 5 of the text (Thomas 12th ed.). If $2 \le \theta < 3$ then $\lfloor \theta \rfloor = 2$ and so

$$\lim_{\theta \to 3^{-}} \frac{\lfloor \theta \rfloor}{\theta} = \frac{\lim_{\theta \to 3^{-}} \lfloor \theta \rfloor}{\lim_{\theta \to 3^{-}} \theta} = \frac{2}{3}$$

(4) 3. Graph the function f. Then answer the questions

(a) At what points c, if any, does $\lim_{x\to c} f(x)$ exist? See the graph below. $\lim_{x\to c} f(x)$ exists at every point c except c = -1 and c = 1.

(b) At what points does only the right hand limit exist? Certainly the right hand limit exists at every point the limit exists and also at c = -1 (where $\lim_{x\to -1^+} f(x) = -1$) and at c = 1 (where $\lim_{x\to 1^+} f(x) = 0$).

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } -1 \le x < 0 \text{ or } 0 < x \le 1 \\ 1 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x < -1 \text{ or } x > 1 \end{cases}$$