

You must show all your work to receive credit. Calculators are allowed.

Problem 1: (3 points) Find the exact value of

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 2} \sqrt{\frac{t^2 - t - 2}{t - 2}}$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{t^2 - t - 2}{t - 2}} = \sqrt{\frac{(t - 2)(t + 1)}{t - 2}} = \sqrt{t + 1}, \text{ so}$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 2} \sqrt{\frac{t^2 - t - 2}{t - 2}} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 2} \sqrt{t + 1} = \sqrt{3}.$$

Problem 2: (3 points) Explain what is wrong with the following reasoning:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} [x \sin(1/x)] = \left[\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \right] \cdot \left[\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \sin(1/x) \right] = 0 \cdot \left[\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \sin(1/x) \right] = 0.$$

The first step is incorrect because the limit product law cannot be used due to the fact that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \sin(1/x)$ does not exist.

Problem 3: (4 points) Using the ϵ, δ definition of a limit, prove that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} (2x + 1) = 7.$$

Make sure you separate your scratch work from your formal proof. Use the back of the quiz if you need more room.

Let $\epsilon > 0$ be given. Choose $\delta = \epsilon/2$. Then $|f(x) - L| = |2x + 1 - 7| = |2x - 6| = 2|x - 3| < 2\delta = \epsilon$ whenever $0 < |x - 3| < \delta$.