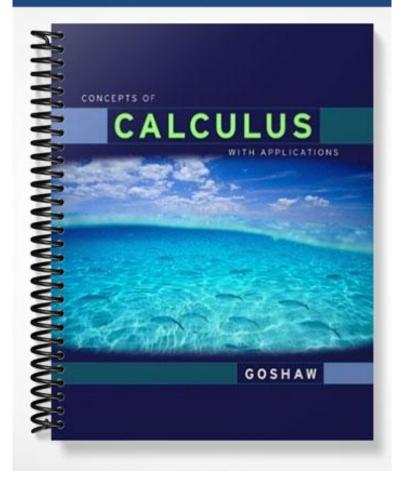
SOLUTIONS MANUAL



Unit 1 Limits and Derivatives

Topic 5 Exercises

- 1. As x approaches 3 from the right, f(x) is approaching 1. So, $\lim_{x\to 3^+} f(x) = 1$.
- 2. As x approaches 2 from the right, f(x) is approaching 2. So, $\lim_{x\to 2^+} f(x) = 2$.
- 3. As *x* approaches 4 from the left, f(x) is approaching -4. So, $\lim_{x \to 4^{-}} f(x) = -4$.
- 4. As x approaches 4 from the left, f(x) is approaching -7. So, $\lim_{x \to 4^{-}} f(x) = -7$.
- 5. As x approaches 2 from the left, f(x) is approaching -∞. As x approaches 2 from the right, f(x) is approaching ∞. So, lim f(x) does not exist, because the left-hand limit and the right-hand limit are not the same.
- 6. As x approaches 3 from the left, f(x) is approaching -∞. As x approaches 3 from the right, f(x) is approaching ∞. So, lim f(x) x→3

does not exist, because the left-hand limit and the right-hand limit are not the same.

- 7. As x approaches 1 from the left, f(x) is approaching 1. As x approaches 1 from the right, f(x) is approaching 4. So, lim f(x) does not x→1
 exist, because the left-hand limit and the right-hand limit are not the same.
- 8. As x approaches 2 from the left, f(x) is approaching $-\infty$. As x approaches 2 from the right, f(x) is approaching ∞ . So, $\lim_{x\to 2} f(x)$ does not exist, because the left-hand limit and the right-hand limit are not the same.
- 9. Choose a small interval around x = 3 and allow that interval to "close in" on x = 3. Notice that the corresponding *y* values are closing in on the point (3, 2). So, $\lim_{x\to 3} f(x) = 2$.

- 10. Choose a small interval around x = 2 and allow that interval to "close in" on x = 2. Notice that the corresponding *y* values are closing in on the point (2,1). So, $\lim_{x \to 2^2} f(x) = 1$.
- 11. Choose a small interval around x = 3 and allow that interval to "close in" on x = 3. Notice that the corresponding *y* values are closing in on the point (3, 2). So, $\lim_{x\to 3} f(x) = 2$. Remember that

f(x) does not have to include the limit, it just has to get extremely close to that limit.

12. Choose a small interval around x = 2 and allow that interval to "close in" on x = 2. Notice that the corresponding *y* values are closing in on the point (2,1). So, $\lim_{x\to 2} f(x) = 1$. Remember that f(x) does not have to include the limit, it just

has to get extremely close to that limit.

- 13. Choose a small interval around x = 3 and allow that interval to "close in" on x = 3. Notice that the corresponding *y* values are closing in on the point (3, 2). So, $\lim_{x\to 3} f(x) = 2$. Defining f(3) by adding a point to the graph does not change the limit.
- 14. Choose a small interval around x = 2 and allow that interval to "close in" on x = 2. Notice that the corresponding *y* values are closing in on the point (2,1). So, $\lim_{x\to 2} f(x) = 1$. Defining f(2)by adding a point to the graph does not change

by adding a point to the graph does not change the limit.

15. As *x* approaches 3 from the left, f(x) is approaching ∞ . As *x* approaches 3 from the right, f(x) is approaching $-\infty$. So, $\lim_{x \to 3} f(x)$

does not exist, because the left-hand limit and the right-hand limit are not the same.

16. As x approaches 2 from the left, f(x) is approaching -∞. As x approaches 2 from the right, f(x) is approaching ∞. So, lim f(x) does not exist, because the left-hand limit and the right-hand limit are not the same.

- 17. As x approaches 3 from the left and right, f(x) is approaching ∞ . So, $\lim_{x \to 3} f(x) = \infty$.
- **18.** As *x* approaches 2 from the left and right, f(x) is approaching $-\infty$. So, $\lim_{x \to 3} f(x) = -\infty$.
- **19. a.** $\lim_{x \to 3^{-}} f(x) = 3$
 - **b.** $\lim_{x \to 3^+} f(x) = -1$
 - c. $\lim_{x\to 3} f(x)$ does not exist, because the lefthand limit and the right-hand limit are not the same.
- **20. a.** $\lim_{x \to 2^{-}} f(x) = 1$
 - **b.** $\lim_{x \to 2^+} f(x) = 3$
 - c. $\lim_{x\to 2} f(x)$ does not exist, because the lefthand limit and the right-hand limit are not the same.
- **21. a.** $\lim_{x \to 1^{-}} f(x) = 2$
 - **b.** $\lim_{x \to 1^+} f(x) = -2$
 - c. $\lim_{x\to 1} f(x)$ does not exist, because the lefthand limit and the right-hand limit are not the same.
- **22. a.** $\lim_{x \to 1^{-}} f(x) = 3$
 - **b.** $\lim_{x \to 1^+} f(x) = -3$
 - c. $\lim_{x \to 1} f(x)$ does not exist, because the lefthand limit and the right-hand limit are not the same.

- **23.** a. $\lim_{x \to -4} f(x) = 2$
 - **b.** $\lim_{x \to -2} f(x)$ does not exist, because the lefthand limit and the right-hand limit are not the same.
 - $c. \quad \lim_{x \to -1} f(x) = -1$
 - **d.** $\lim_{x\to 2} f(x)$ does not exist, because the lefthand limit and the right-hand limit are not the same.
 - e. $\lim_{x\to 3} f(x)$ does not exist, because the lefthand limit and the right-hand limit are not the same.
 - **f.** $\lim_{x\to 5} f(x)$ does not exist, because the lefthand limit and the right-hand limit are not the same.
- 24. a. $\lim_{x \to -3} f(x)$ does not exist, because the lefthand limit and the right-hand limit are not the same.
 - **b.** $\lim_{x \to -1} f(x)$ does not exist, because the lefthand limit and the right-hand limit are not the same.
 - $\mathbf{c.} \quad \lim_{x \to 0} f(x) = -4$
 - $d. \quad \lim_{x \to 1} f(x) = -\infty$
 - $e. \quad \lim_{x \to 3} f(x) = -3$
 - $f. \quad \lim_{x \to 4} f(x) = -2$
- 25. Part a is false because a hole at x = a does not mean the limit does not exist. Part b is true because we are given that f(a) is not defined. So, the correct answer is choice b.
- **26.** Part a is true because a jump at x = a will cause the left-hand and right-hand limits to be different. Part b is false because the function may be undefined at both endpoints at which the jump occurs (identified as open circles). So, the correct answer is choice a.

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- 27. a. true
 - **b.** true
 - **c.** false; because the left-hand limit and the right-hand limit are not the same.
 - d. true
 - e. false; because as x is approaching -3, f(x) is approaching 1.
 - f. true
- **28. a.** false; because the left-hand limit and the right-hand limit are not the same.
 - **b.** true
 - c. true
 - d. true
 - e. true
 - **f.** false; because as x is approaching 3 from the left, f(x) is approaching 1.
- **29.** $\lim_{x \to 3} (3x-2) = 7$ because f(3) = 3(3) 2 = 7.
- **30.** $\lim_{x \to 2} (x^2 5) = -1$ because $f(2) = 2^2 5 = -1$.
- 31. $\lim_{x \to 7} 42 = 42$ because f(x) = 42 is a constant function. So, f(7) = 42.
- 32. $\lim_{x \to 11} 54 = 54$ because f(x) = 54 is a constant function. So, f(11) = 54.

33. $\lim_{x \to -3} \frac{2x}{x+4} = -6 \text{ because}$ $f(-3) = \frac{2(-3)}{-3+4} = \frac{-6}{1} = -6.$

34.
$$\lim_{y \to -2} \frac{3y}{y+5} = -2 \text{ because}$$
$$f(-2) = \frac{3(-2)}{-2+5} = \frac{-6}{3} - 2.$$

- **35.** $\lim_{d \to 2} \sqrt{2d+5} = 3$ because $f(2) = \sqrt{2(2)+5} = \sqrt{9} = 3$. Only the principal (nonnegative) square root is considered because functions can only have one *y* value for any given *d* value.
- **36.** $\lim_{a \to 5} \sqrt[3]{5a+2} = 3$ because $f(5) = \sqrt[3]{5(5)+2} = \sqrt[3]{27} = 3.$
- **37.** $\lim_{t \to 1} (2t^3 5t + 4) = 1$ because $f(1) = 2(1)^3 - 5(1) + 4 = 2 - 5 + 4 = 1.$
- **38.** $\lim_{x \to 2} \frac{-2x}{x-3} = 4$ because $f(2) = \frac{-2(2)}{2-3} = \frac{-4}{-1} = 4$.
- **39.** $\lim_{x \to 1} \frac{3x}{x^2 1} = \lim_{x \to 1} \frac{3x}{(x + 1)(x 1)} = \frac{3}{0} =$ undefined

Examining one-sided limits shows that

$$\lim_{x \to 1^{-}} \frac{3x}{x^{2} - 1} = -\infty \text{ and } \lim_{x \to 1^{+}} \frac{3x}{x^{2} - 1} = \infty.$$

So,
$$\lim_{x \to 1} \frac{3x}{x^{2} - 1} \text{ does not exist.}$$

- 40. $\lim_{x \to 3} \frac{4x+12}{x^2-9} = \lim_{x \to 3} \frac{4(x+3)}{(x+3)(x-3)} = \lim_{x \to 3} \frac{4}{(x-3)} = \frac{4}{0} = \text{undefined}$ Examining one-sided limits shows that $\lim_{x \to 3^-} \frac{4x+12}{x^2-9} = -\infty \text{ and } \lim_{x \to 3^+} \frac{4x+12}{x^2-9} = \infty.$ So, $\lim_{x \to 3} \frac{4x+12}{x^2-9} \text{ does not exist.}$
- **41.** Direct substitution of x = 1 gives the indeterminate form $\frac{0}{0}$.

Simplify the rational expression by factoring and reducing, then evaluate the limit.

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

42. Direct substitution of x = 3 gives the indeterminate form $\frac{0}{0}$.

Simplify the rational expression by factoring and reducing, then evaluate the limit.

$$\lim_{x \to 3} \frac{4x - 12}{x^2 - 9} = \lim_{x \to 3} \frac{4(x - 3)}{(x + 3)(x - 3)} = \lim_{x \to 3} \frac{4}{x + 3} = \frac{4}{6} = \frac{2}{3}$$

43. Direct substitution of x = -3 gives the indeterminate form $\frac{0}{0}$.

Simplify the rational expression by factoring and reducing, then evaluate the limit.

$$\lim_{x \to -3} \frac{x^2 + 3x}{x^2 - 9} = \lim_{x \to -3} \frac{x(x+3)}{(x+3)(x-3)} = \lim_{x \to -3} \frac{x}{x-3} = \frac{-3}{-6} = \frac{1}{2}$$

- 44. Direct substitution of x = 2 gives the indeterminate form $\frac{0}{0}$. Simplify the rational expression by factoring and reducing, then evaluate the limit. $\lim_{x \to 2} \frac{3x-6}{x^2-4} = \lim_{x \to 2} \frac{3(x-2)}{(x+2)(x-2)} = \lim_{x \to 2} \frac{3}{x+2} = \frac{3}{4}$
- **45.** $\lim_{x \to 4} \frac{3x+12}{x^2 16} = \lim_{x \to 4} \frac{3(x+4)}{(x+4)(x-4)} = \lim_{x \to 4} \frac{3}{(x-4)} = \frac{3}{0} = \text{undefined}$

Examining one-sided limits shows that $\lim_{x \to 4^-} \frac{3x+12}{x^2-16} = -\infty$ and $\lim_{x \to 4^+} \frac{3x+12}{x^2-16} = \infty$.

So,
$$\lim_{x \to 4} \frac{3x+12}{x^2-16}$$
 does not exist.

46. $\lim_{x \to 2} \frac{x^2 + 4}{x^2 - 2x} = \lim_{x \to 2} \frac{x^2 + 4}{x(x - 2)} = \frac{8}{0}$ = undefined

Examining one-sided limits shows that $\lim_{x \to 2^{-}} \frac{x^2 + 4}{x^2 - 2x} = -\infty$ and $\lim_{x \to 2^{+}} \frac{x^2 + 4}{x^2 - 2x} = \infty$. So, $\lim_{x \to 2^{+}} \frac{x^2 + 4}{x^2 - 2x}$ does not exist.

So,
$$\lim_{x \to 2} \frac{x^2 + 4}{x^2 - 2x}$$
 does not exist.

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47.
$$\lim_{x \to 4} \frac{x^3}{x^2 - 16} = \lim_{x \to 4} \frac{x^3}{(x+4)(x-4)} = \frac{64}{0} = \text{undefined}$$

Examining one-sided limits shows that
$$\lim_{x \to 4^-} \frac{x^3}{x^2 - 16} = -\infty \text{ and } \lim_{x \to 4^+} \frac{x^3}{x^2 - 16} = \infty.$$

So,
$$\lim_{x \to 4} \frac{x^3}{x^2 - 16} \text{ does not exist.}$$

48.
$$\lim_{x \to 5} \frac{-x^3}{x^2 - 25} = \lim_{x \to 5} \frac{-x^3}{(x+5)(x-5)} = \frac{-125}{0} = \text{undefined}$$

Examining one-sided limits shows that
$$\lim_{x \to 5^-} \frac{-x^3}{x^2 - 25} = \infty \text{ and } \lim_{x \to 5^+} \frac{-x^3}{x^2 - 25} = -\infty.$$

So,
$$\lim_{x \to 5} \frac{-x^3}{x^2 - 25} \text{ does not exist.}$$

49.
$$\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{4a^2h - 3ah + h^2}{h} = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{h(4a^2 - 3a + h)}{h} = \lim_{h \to 0} (4a^2 - 3a + h) = 4a^2 - 3a$$

50.
$$\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{-6a^2h - 12ah - h^2}{h} = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{h(-6a^2 - 12a - h)}{h} = \lim_{h \to 0} (-6a^2 - 12a - h) = -6a^2 - 12a$$

51.
$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x - 3 & \text{if } x < 1 \\ x^2 & \text{if } x \ge 1 \end{cases}$$

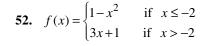
a. *x* is approaching 0, which belongs to the domain of the first part of the function. So, $\lim_{x\to 0} f(x) = -3$.

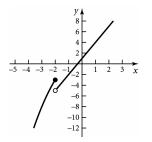
b. *x* is approaching 3, which belongs to the domain of the second part of the function. So, $\lim_{x \to 3} f(x) = 9$.

c. *x* is approaching 1, which is the break-point of the domain of the two parts of the function. Thus, the left-hand and the right-hand limits need to be evaluated.

 $\lim_{\substack{x \to 1^{-}}} f(x) = -1$ $\lim_{x \to 1^{+}} f(x) = 1$

Because the left-hand and the right-hand limit are not equal, $\lim_{x\to 1} f(x)$ does not exist.





a. *x* is approaching -5, which belongs to the domain of the first part of the function. So, $\lim_{x \to -5} f(x) = -24$.

- **b.** x is approaching 0, which belongs to the domain of the second part of the function. So, $\lim f(x) = 1$. $x \rightarrow 0$
- c. x is approaching -2, which is the break-point of the domain of the two parts of the function. Thus, the lefthand and the right-hand limits need to be evaluated.

$$\lim_{x \to -2^{-}} f(x) = -3$$
$$\lim_{x \to -2^{+}} f(x) = -5$$

Because the left-hand and the right-hand limit are not equal, $\lim_{x\to 2} f(x)$ does not exist.

53.
$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x+5 & \text{if } x < -1 \\ -x^2 - 3 & \text{if } -1 \le x < 2 \\ \sqrt{x-1} & \text{if } x \ge 2 \end{cases}$$

- **a.** x is approaching 0, which belongs to the domain of the second part of the function. So, $\lim_{x \to 0} f(x) = f(0) = -0^2 - 3 = -3.$ $x \rightarrow 0$
- **b.** x is approaching -1, which is the break-point of the domain of the first and second parts of the function. Thus, the left-hand and the right-hand limits need to be evaluated.

 $\lim f(x) = f(-1) = -1 + 5 = 4$ $x \rightarrow -1^{-}$ $\lim_{x \to -1^{+}} f(x) = f(-1) = -(-1)^{2} - 3 = -4$

Because the left-hand and the right-hand limit are not equal, $\lim_{x\to -1} f(x)$ does not exist.

c. x is approaching 2, which is the break-point of the domain of the second and third parts of the function. Thus, the left-hand and the right-hand limits need to be evaluated.

$$\lim_{x \to 2^{-}} f(x) = f(2) = -2^{2} - 3 = -7$$
$$\lim_{x \to 2^{+}} f(x) = f(2) = \sqrt{2 - 1} = 1$$

Because the left-hand and the right-hand limit are not equal, $\lim_{x\to 2} f(x)$ does not exist.

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54.
$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2}{2} & \text{if } x \le -3 \\ -x^2 - 3 & \text{if } -3 < x \le 2 \\ \sqrt{x+2} & \text{if } x > 2 \end{cases}$$

- **a.** *x* is approaching 0, which belongs to the domain of the second part of the function. So, $\lim_{x \to 0} f(x) = f(0) = -0^2 3 = -3.$
- **b.** x is approaching -3, which is the break-point of the domain of the first and second parts of the function. Thus, the left-hand and the right-hand limits need to be evaluated.

$$\lim_{x \to -3^{-}} f(x) = f(-3) = \frac{(-3)^2}{2} = 4.5$$
$$\lim_{x \to -3^{+}} f(x) = f(-3) = -(-3)^2 - 3 = -12$$

Because the left-hand and the right-hand limit are not equal, $\lim_{x\to -3} f(x)$ does not exist.

c. x is approaching 2, which is the break-point of the domain of the second and third parts of the function. Thus, the left-hand and the right-hand limits need to be evaluated.

 $\lim_{x \to 2^{-}} f(x) = f(2) = -2^{2} - 3 = -7$ $\lim_{x \to 2^{+}} f(x) = f(2) = \sqrt{2+2} = 2$

Because the left-hand and the right-hand limit are not equal, $\lim_{x\to 2} f(x)$ does not exist.

55. a.
$$f(x) = 5x - 7$$

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Step 1:
$$f(a) = 5a - 7$$

Step 2: $f(a+h) = 5(a+h) - 7$
 $= 5a + 5h - 7$
Step 3: $f(a+h) - f(a) = (5a + 5h - 7) - (5a - 7)$
 $= 5a + 5h - 7 - 5a + 7$
 $= 5h$
Step 4: $\frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} = \frac{5h}{h} = 5$
b. $\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} = \lim_{h \to 0} 5 = 5$
a. $f(x) = -46$
Step 1: $f(a) = -46$
Step 2: $f(a+h) = -46$
Step 3: $f(a+h) - f(a) = (-46) - (-46) = 0$
Step 4: $\frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} = \frac{0}{h} = 0$
b. $\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} = \lim_{h \to 0} 0 = 0$

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57. a. $f(x) = x^2 + 2$ Step 1: $f(a) = a^2 + 2$ Step 2: $f(a+h) = (a+h)^2 + 2$ $=a^{2}+2ah+h^{2}+2$ Step3: $f(a+h) - f(a) = (a^2 + 2ah + h^2 + 2) - (a^2 + 2)$ $=a^{2}+2ah+h^{2}+2-a^{2}-2$ $=2ah+h^2$ Step 4: $\frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} = \frac{2ah + h^2}{h}$ $=\frac{h(2a+h)}{h}$ = 2a + h**b.** $\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} = \lim_{h \to 0} (2a+h) = 2a$ **58.** a. f(x) = 3 - 2xStep 1: f(a) = 3 - 2aStep 2: f(a+h) = 3-2(a+h)=3-2a-2hStep3: f(a+h) - f(a) = (3-2a-2h) - (3-2a)=3-2a-2h-3+2a= -2hStep 4: $\frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} = \frac{-2h}{h} = -2$ **b.** $\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} = \lim_{h \to 0} -2 = -2$ **59. a**. f(x) = 12Step 1: f(a) = 12Step 2: f(a+h) = 12Step3: f(a+h) - f(a) = 12 - 12 = 0Step 4: $\frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} = \frac{0}{h} = 0$ **b.** $\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} = \lim_{h \to 0} 0 = 0$

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60. a.
$$f(x) = 3 - x^2$$

Step 1: $f(a) = 3 - a^2$
Step 2: $f(a+h) = 3 - (a+h)^2$
 $= 3 - a^2 - 2ah - h^2$
Step3: $f(a+h) - f(a) = (3 - a^2 - 2ah - h^2) - (3 - a^2)$
 $= 3 - a^2 - 2ah - h^2 - 3 + a^2$
 $= -2ah - h^2$
Step 4: $\frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} = \frac{-2ah - h^2}{h}$
 $= \frac{h(-2a-h)}{h}$
 $= -2a - h$
b. $\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} = \lim_{h \to 0} (-2a - h) = -2a$
61. a. $f(x) = -2x^2 + 7x - 1$
Step 1: $f(a) = -2a^2 + 7a - 1$
Step 2: $f(a+h) = -2(a+h)^2 + 7(a+h) - 1$
 $= -2a^2 - 4ah - 2h^2 + 7a + 7h - 1$
Step 3: $f(a+h) - f(a) = (-2a^2 - 4ah - 2h^2 + 7a + 7h - 1) - (-2a^2 + 7a - 1)$
 $= -2a^2 - 4ah - 2h^2 + 7a + 7h - 1 + 2a^2 - 7a + 1$
 $= -4ah - 2h^2 + 7h$
Step 4: $\frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} = \frac{-4ah - 2h^2 + 7h}{h}$
 $= \frac{h(-4a - 2h + 7)}{h}$

b.
$$\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} = \lim_{h \to 0} (-4a - 2h + 7) = -4a + 7$$

62. a. $f(x) = 3x^2 - 2x + 4$ Step 1: $f(a) = 3a^2 - 2a + 4$ Step 2: $f(a+h) = 3(a+h)^2 - 2(a+h) + 4$ $=3a^{2}+6ah+3h^{2}-2a-2h+4$ Step3: $f(a+h) - f(a) = (3a^2 + 6ah + 3h^2 - 2a - 2h + 4) - (3a^2 - 2a + 4)$ $=3a^{2}+6ah+3h^{2}-2a-2h+4-3a^{2}+2a-4$ $=6ah+3h^2-2h$ Step 4: $\frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} = \frac{6ah + 3h^2 - 2h}{h}$ $=\frac{h(6a+3h-2)}{h}$ = 6a + 3h - 2**b.** $\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} = \lim_{h \to 0} (6a+3h-2) = 6a-2$ **63.** a. $f(x) = \frac{2}{x+1}$ Step 1: $f(a) = \frac{2}{a+1}$ Step 2: $f(a+h) = \frac{2}{a+h+1}$ Step 3: $f(a+h) - f(a) = \frac{2}{a+h+1} - \frac{2}{a+1}$ $=\frac{2(a+1)}{(a+h+1)(a+1)}-\frac{2(a+h+1)}{(a+1)(a+h+1)}$ $=\frac{2a+2}{(a+h+1)(a+1)}-\frac{2a+2h+2}{(a+1)(a+h+1)}$ $=\frac{2a+2-(2a+2h+2)}{(a+h+1)(a+1)}$ $=\frac{2a+2-2a-2h-2}{(a+h+1)(a+1)}$ $=\frac{-2h}{(a+h+1)(a+1)}$ Step 4: $\frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} = \frac{-2h}{h(a+h+1)(a+1)}$ $=\frac{-2}{(a+h+1)(a+1)}$ f(a+b) = f(a)

b.
$$\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{-2}{(a+h+1)(a+1)} = \frac{-2}{(a+1)^2}$$

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