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1. Answer **T** (true) or **F** (false) in the boxes provided or leave the box blank. No explanation is necessary. [1/2 mark each = 4 marks]

- a) ☐ T When $f(-x) = -f(x)$ then f is called an odd function and the graph of $y = f(x)$ is symmetric about the origin.
- b) ☐ T $f(x) = |x - 1| = \sqrt{(x - 1)^2} = (\sqrt{x - 1})^2$ for all real x in $x \geq 1$.
- c) ☐ F The graph of $y = f(x - h)$ is the graph of $y = f(x)$ translated to the left by h units.
- d) ☐ F Suppose $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = M$, then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} [f(x) / g(x)] = \left[\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) \right] / \left[\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) \right] = L / M.$$
- e) ☐ T If $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = L$, where L is a real number, then $y = L$ is a horizontal asymptote for the graph of f .
- f) ☐ F The derivative (provided it exists) at $x = a$ of a function $y = f(x)$ is the slope of the tangent line to f at any point.
- g) ☐ F For differentiable functions f and g , the product rule for differentiation says that $\frac{d}{dx}[f(x)g(x)] = \frac{d}{dx}[f(x)] \frac{d}{dx}[g(x)]$.
- h) ☐ T The chain rule in Leibniz notation says that if $a = f(b)$ and $b = g(c)$ then $a = f(g(c))$ and $\frac{da}{dc} = \frac{da}{db} \cdot \frac{db}{dc}$.

2. The supply and demand equations for a certain product are given by $p = -x^2 - 2x + 100$ and $p = 8x + 25$, where x represents the quantity demanded in units of a thousand and p the unit price in dollars. Find the equilibrium quantity and the equilibrium price. (textbook exercise 2.8 #20) **[3 marks]**

We solve the system of equations $p = -x^2 - 2x + 100$ and $p = 8x + 25$.

Thus, $-x^2 - 2x + 100 = 8x + 25$, or $x^2 + 10x - 75 = 0$.

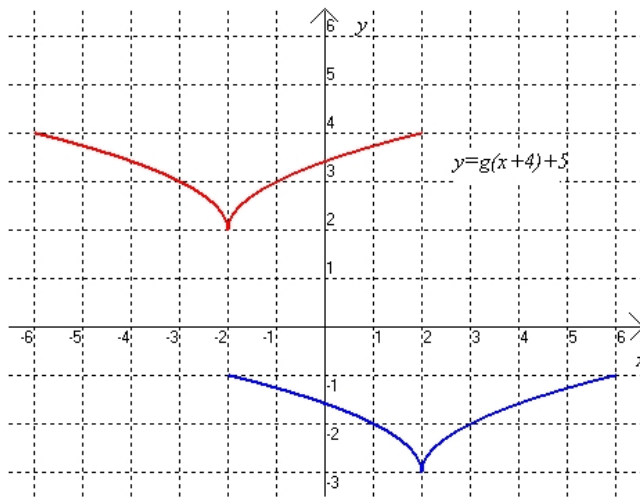
Factoring this equation, we have $(x + 15)(x - 5) = 0$, or $x = -15$ and $x = 5$.

Rejecting the negative root, we have $x = 5$ and the corresponding value of p is

$$p = 8(5) + 25 = 65.$$

We conclude that the equilibrium quantity is 5000 and the equilibrium price is \$65.

3. Use the graph of $y = g(x)$ below to graph the transformed function $y = g(x + 4) + 5$. (textbook exercise 2.2 #10) **[3 marks]**



4. Let $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2 - 4}{x + 2} & \text{if } x \neq -2 \\ k & \text{if } x = -2 \end{cases}$.

- a) For what value of k will f be continuous on $(-\infty, \infty)$? (textbook exercise 3.2 #78) **[3 marks]**

For $x \neq -2$ we have that $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 4}{x + 2} = \frac{(x + 2)(x - 2)}{x + 2} = x - 2$ which is a polynomial and so it is continuous for all $x \neq -2$.

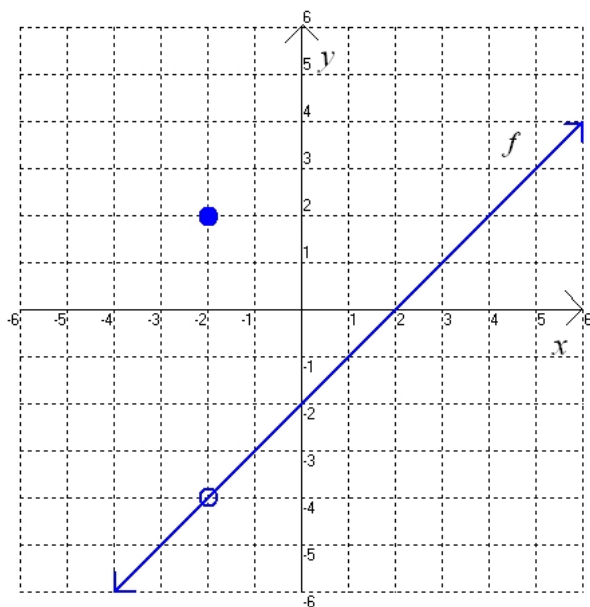
For $x = -2$, we need $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} f(x) = f(-2)$. Since

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

we define $f(-2) = k = -4$ that is $k = -4$. Now $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} f(x) = f(-2)$ and f is continuous at $x = -2$.

Thus we have shown that f is continuous for all real numbers x .

- b) Sketch the labeled graph of f in the coordinate system below when $k = 2$. **[3 marks]**



5. Find the indicated derivative provided it exists. State the domain of the function and the domain of its derivative. Do not simplify the derivative! **[5 marks]**

a)

$$g(x) = \frac{x-2}{x+3} \text{ with } D_g = \mathbb{R} \setminus \{-3\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} g'(x) &= \frac{(x-2)'(x+3) - (x-2)(x+3)'}{(x+3)^2} \\ &= \frac{(x+3) - (x-2)}{(x+3)^2} \\ &= \frac{5}{(x+3)^2} \text{ with } D_{g'} = \mathbb{R} \setminus \{-3\} \end{aligned}$$

b)

$$y = \sqrt[5]{3x^2 + 5x - 2} = (3x^2 + 5x - 2)^{1/5} = ((3x-1)(x+2))^{1/5} \text{ with } D = \mathbb{R}$$

$$y' = \frac{1}{5} (3x^2 + 5x - 2)^{-4/5} (6x + 5) \text{ with } D = \mathbb{R} \setminus \left\{-2, \frac{1}{3}\right\}$$

6. Describe the following limits in terms of a real number, $\infty, -\infty$, or **DNE** (does not exist). Show your work. **[5 marks]**

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

b)

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

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

Since $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} \frac{3-x}{|x-3|} \neq \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} \frac{3-x}{|x-3|}$ we have that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{3-x}{|x-3|} \text{ DNE.}$$

c)

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x^2 - 6}{5 + x - 3x^2} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2 \left(2 - \frac{6}{x^2} \right)}{x^2 \left(\frac{5}{x^2} + \frac{1}{x} - 3 \right)} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2 - \frac{6}{x^2}}{\left(\frac{5}{x^2} + \frac{1}{x} - 3 \right)} \\ &= \frac{2}{-3} = -\frac{2}{3} \end{aligned}$$

7. Use the definition of the derivative to calculate $f'(12)$ for $f(x) = \sqrt{x-8}$.

[4 marks]

$$\begin{aligned}
 f'(12) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 12} \frac{f(x) - f(12)}{x - 12} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 12} \frac{\sqrt{x-8} - \sqrt{12-8}}{x - 12} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 12} \frac{\sqrt{x-8} - 2}{x - 12} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 12} \frac{\sqrt{x-8} - 2}{x - 12} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x-8} + 2}{\sqrt{x-8} + 2} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 12} \frac{x - 8 - 4}{(x - 12)(\sqrt{x-8} + 2)} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 12} \frac{x - 12}{(x - 12)(\sqrt{x-8} + 2)} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 12} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x-8} + 2} \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{12-8} + 2} \\
 &= \frac{1}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

or

$$\begin{aligned}
 f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{x+h-8} - \sqrt{x-8}}{h} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{x+h-8} - \sqrt{x-8}}{h} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x+h-8} + \sqrt{x-8}}{\sqrt{x+h-8} + \sqrt{x-8}} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x+h-8) - (x-8)}{h(\sqrt{x+h-8} + \sqrt{x-8})} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h}{h(\sqrt{x+h-8} + \sqrt{x-8})} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+h-8} + \sqrt{x-8}} \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{x-8} + \sqrt{x-8}} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x-8}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Therefore, } f'(12) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{12-8}} = \frac{1}{4}.$$