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Math 220  
Exam 1  
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Problem	Points	Points Possible	Problem	Points	Points Possible
1		7	5		8
2		10	6		8
3		24	7		8
4		35	Total Score		100

1. (7 points) Is  $q(x) = \begin{cases} 4 & \text{if } x = 2 \\ \frac{x^2-4}{x-2} & \text{if } x \neq 2 \end{cases}$  continuous at  $x = 2$ ? (Explain your answer.)

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

Yes,  $q(x)$  is continuous at  $x=2$ .

2. (10 points) Find the horizontal asymptote(s) for  $y(x) = \frac{\sqrt{4x^2 + 1}}{3x + 7}$ . (Show your work using limits.)

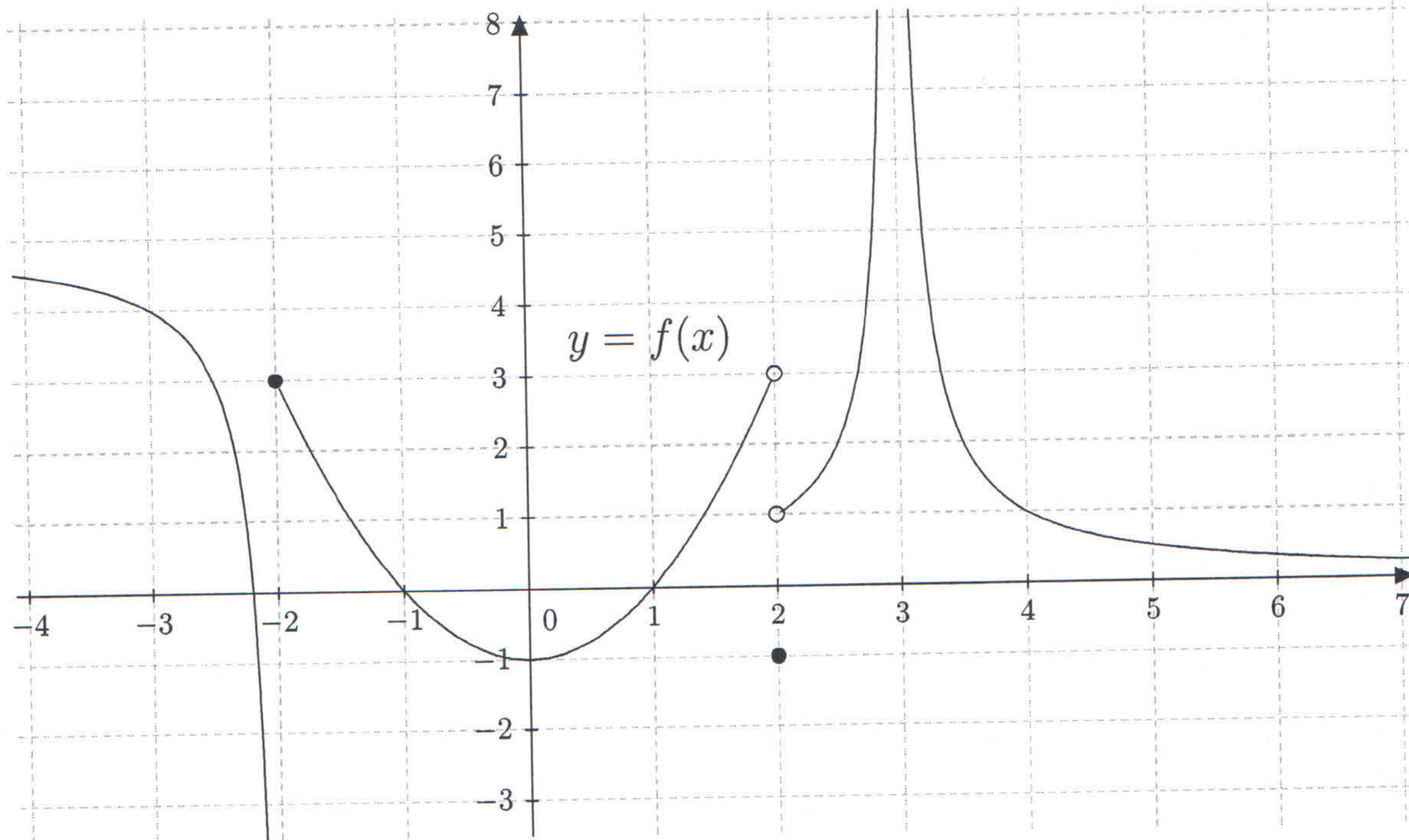
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{4x^2 + 1}}{3x + 7} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{\sqrt{4x^2 + 1}}{x}}{\frac{3x + 7}{x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{4 + \frac{1}{x^2}}}{3 + \frac{7}{x}}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{4 + 0}}{3 + 0} = \frac{\sqrt{4+0}}{3+0} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{\sqrt{4x^2 + 1}}{3x + 7} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{\frac{\sqrt{4x^2 + 1}}{x}}{\frac{3x + 7}{x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{\sqrt{4 + \frac{1}{x^2}}}{3 + \frac{7}{x}}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{-\sqrt{4 + \frac{1}{x^2}}}{3 + \frac{7}{x}} = -\frac{\sqrt{4+0}}{3+0} = -\frac{2}{3}$$

The horiz. asymptotes are  $y = \frac{2}{3}$  and  $y = -\frac{2}{3}$



3. (3 points each) Consider the graph of  $y = f(x)$  above. State the value of each of the below quantities. If the quantity does not exist, write "does not exist".

A.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = -1$

E.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x) = 3$

B.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^-} f(x) = -\infty$   
(or does not exist)

F.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x) = 1$

C.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} f(x) = 3$

G.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x)$  does not exist

D.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x) = +\infty$   
(or does not exist)

H.  $f(2) = -1$

4. (7 points each) Evaluate the following limits. (Show your work.)

A.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} \sin(x) = \sin(\pi) = 0$  ( $\sin(x)$  is continuous at  $x=\pi$ )

B.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x-3}{x^2 - 5x + 6} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x-3}{(x-3)(x-2)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{1}{x-2} = \frac{1}{3-2} = 1$

C.  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 3} \frac{\sqrt{t+6} - 3}{3-t} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 3} \frac{\sqrt{t+6} - 3}{3-t} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{t+6} + 3}{\sqrt{t+6} + 3}$   
 $= \lim_{t \rightarrow 3} \frac{(t+6)-9}{(3-t)(\sqrt{t+6} + 3)} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 3} \frac{t-3}{(3-t)(\sqrt{t+6} + 3)}$   
 $= \lim_{t \rightarrow 3} \frac{-1}{\sqrt{t+6} + 3} = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{3+6} + 3} = -\frac{1}{6}$

D.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} (x-2)^2 \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{x-2}\right)$   
For  $x \neq 2$ ,  $-(x-2)^2 \leq (x-2)^2 \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{x-2}\right) \leq (x-2)^2$

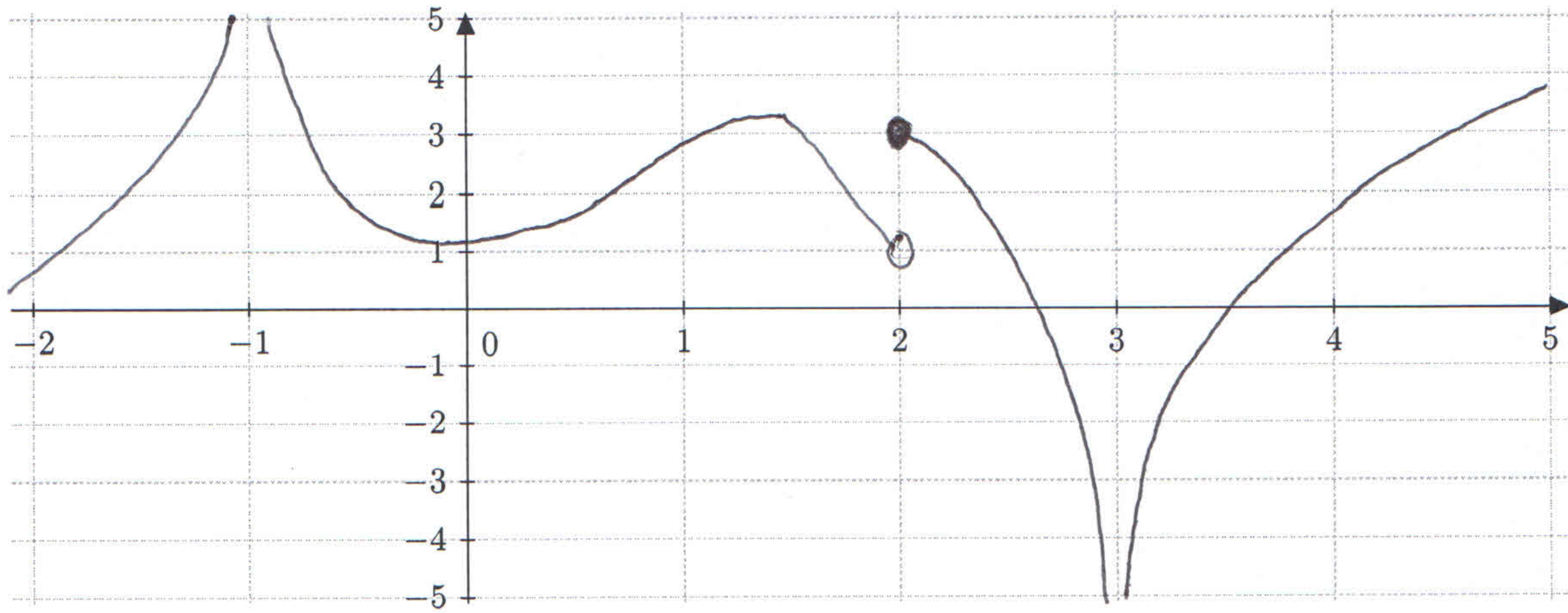
because  $-1 \leq \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{x-2}\right) \leq 1$ ,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} -(x-2)^2 = 0 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} (x-2)^2.$$

By the Squeeze Theorem,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} (x-2)^2 \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{x-2}\right) = 0$

E.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2-e^x}{3e^x + 5} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{2-e^x}{e^x}}{\frac{3e^x + 5}{e^x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{2e^{-x}-1}{e^x}}{\frac{3+5e^{-x}}{e^x}} = \frac{0-1}{3+0} = -\frac{1}{3}$

5. (8 points) Sketch the graph of a function  $v(x)$  that satisfies  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} v(x) = \infty$ ,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} v(x) = 1$ ,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} v(x) = 3$ , and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} v(x) = -\infty$ .



6. (8 points) Use the Intermediate Value Theorem to show that there is a root of  $x^5 + x - 1 = 0$  in the interval  $(0, 1)$ .

Let  $f(x) = x^5 + x - 1$ ,  $f(x)$  is continuous on  $[0, 1]$ .

$f(0) = 0^5 + 0 - 1 = -1$ ,  $f(1) = 1^5 + 1 - 1 = 1$ . By the

Intermediate Value Theorem, there exists a number  $c$  in  $(0, 1)$  with  $f(c) = 0$ , implying that

$$c^5 + c - 1 = 0.$$

7. (4 points each) Given that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} h(x) = 2$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} w(x) = 3$ , find the following limits.

A.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (2h(x) + w(x)) = 2 \left( \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} h(x) \right) + \left( \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} w(x) \right) = 2 \cdot 2 + 3 = 7$

B. 
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{h(x) + 2}{w(x)} = \frac{\left( \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} h(x) \right) + 2}{\left( \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} w(x) \right)} = \frac{2 + 2}{3} = \frac{4}{3}$$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} w(x) \neq 0$