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Evaluate Limits Analytically

• Replace the value of c for x (if possible)

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{\text{ex:}} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} 3x &= 3(2) \\ &= \boxed{6} \end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{\text{ex:}} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} 5 = \boxed{5}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{\text{ex:}} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} x^2 &= 2^2 \\ &= \boxed{4} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{\text{ex:}} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} (x^2 - 3x + 2) \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} x^2 - \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} 3x + \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} 2 \\ &= 5^2 - 3(5) + 2 \\ &= 25 - 15 + 2 \\ &= \boxed{12} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{\text{ex:}} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow -1} \frac{x^2 + 3x + 2}{x + 1} &\rightarrow \frac{(-1)^2 + 3(-1) + 2}{-1 + 1} = \frac{0}{0} \therefore \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow -1} \frac{(x+2)(x+1)}{x+1} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow -1} (x+2) \\ &= -1 + 2 \\ &= \boxed{1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{\text{ex:}} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{\sqrt{x+1} - 2}{x-3} \rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{3+1} - 2}{3-3} = \frac{0}{0} \therefore$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{\sqrt{x+1} - 2}{x-3} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x+1} + 2}{\sqrt{x+1} + 2}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x+1-4}{(x-3)(\sqrt{x+1}+2)}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{\cancel{x-3}}{(\cancel{x-3})(\sqrt{x+1}+2)}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+1}+2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3+1}+2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{4}+2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2+2}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{1}{4}}$$

$$\underline{\text{ex:}} \quad \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x+h)^2 - x^2}{h} \rightarrow \frac{(x+0)^2 - x^2}{0} = \frac{0}{0} \therefore$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 + 2xh + h^2 - x^2}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2xh + h^2}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cancel{h}(2x+h)}{\cancel{h}}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} (2x+h)$$

$$= \boxed{2x}$$