

MAT 136 (Calculus I) Prof. Swift

In-Class Worksheet: L'Hospital's Rule

Consider $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x - 1}{x^2 + 2x - 3}$.

1. Show that the limit is an indeterminate form of type $\frac{0}{0}$.
2. Note that $\frac{0}{0}$ is undefined. Does this mean that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x - 1}{x^2 + 2x - 3}$ does not exist?
3. Evaluate the limit using L'Hospital's rule.
4. Evaluate the limit by factoring, like we did in Exam 1.