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1. Evaluate the following limits:

(a)
$$\lim_{y\to 0} \frac{\sin 5y}{2y}$$
, (b) $\lim_{x\to \infty} \frac{3x^3+1}{x^2+2x^3+2}$, (c) $\lim_{x\to 2^-} \frac{x^2-4}{x^2+x-6}$, (d) $\lim_{x\to -3^+} \frac{x^2-4}{x^2+x-6}$.

Solution. For (a), we have

$$\lim_{y \to 0} \frac{\sin 5y}{2y} = \lim_{y \to 0} \frac{\sin 5y}{2y} \frac{5}{5} = \lim_{y \to 0} \frac{\sin 5y}{5y} \frac{5}{2} = 1 \cdot \frac{5}{2} = \frac{5}{2}.$$

For (b), we have

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

For (c), we have

$$\lim_{x \to 2^{-}} \frac{x^2 - 4}{x^2 + x - 6} = \lim_{x \to 2^{-}} \frac{(x+2)(x-2)}{(x+3)(x-2)} = \lim_{x \to 2^{-}} \frac{x+2}{x+3} = \frac{4}{5}.$$

For (d), we have

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

where we've used the fact that, for x close to, but more than, -3, x + 2 is about -1 and x + 3 is close to but more than 0.