

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} \frac{5 \ln(2+x) + 2x + 3}{7 - 8 \ln(2+x)} = -\frac{5}{8} = -0.625$$

x	f(x)
-2+10 ⁻¹ = -1.9	-0.4843...
-2+10 ⁻² = -1.99	-0.5475...
-2+10 ⁻³ = -1.999	-0.5707...
-2+10 ⁻⁴ = -1.9999	-0.5831...
-2+10 ⁻⁵ = -1.99999	-0.5909...
-2+10 ⁻⁶ = -1.999999	-0.5962
-2+10 ⁻⁷	-0.6001...
-2+10 ⁻⁸	-0.6031...
-2+10 ⁻²⁰	-0.6160...
-2+10 ⁻³⁰	-0.6189...
-2+10 ⁻⁵⁰	-0.6213...
-2+10 ⁻¹⁰⁰	-0.6231...
-2+10 ⁻¹⁰⁰⁰	-0.6248...
-2+10 ⁻¹⁰⁰⁰⁰	-0.6249...
-2+10 ⁻¹⁰⁰⁰⁰⁰	-0.62499...

→ ... try hyperreals!

Let $0 < \varepsilon \approx 0$

and $x = (-2) + \varepsilon (= \varepsilon - 2)$.

$$f(-2 + \varepsilon) = \frac{5 \ln \varepsilon + 2(\varepsilon - 2) + 3}{7 - 8 \ln \varepsilon}$$

$-H = \ln \varepsilon$ is ^{negative} infinite.

$$f(-2 + \varepsilon) = \frac{-5H + 2\varepsilon - 4 + 3}{7 + 8H}$$

$$f(-2 + \varepsilon) = \frac{-5H + 2\varepsilon - 1}{7 + 8H}$$

"Divide" by the largest "term" in the denominator:

$$f(-2 + \varepsilon) = \frac{(-5H + 2\varepsilon - 1)/H}{(7 + 8H)/H}$$

$$f(-2 + \varepsilon) = \frac{-5 + 2\varepsilon/H - 1/H}{7/H + 8}$$

$$\text{st}(f(-2 + \varepsilon)) = \frac{-5 + 0 - 0}{0 + 8} = -\frac{5}{8}$$

So, the limit is $-5/8$, which equals -0.625 .

I think it's always faster to use hyperreals first. I only use a calculator to double-check.

It's too bad your calculator rounds off

$-2 + 10^{-20}$ and all

later x-values on the list to -2 . When

naive calculator

experiments fail...