

Do Now - Sept. 11, 2017

What is...

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{t-6}{t^2-6t}$$

2.6 Limits at Infinity: horizontal asymptotes.

A horizontal asymptote, L , exists if, as the function goes to positive or negative infinity, $f(x)$ can be made arbitrarily close to L by taking x as a sufficiently large positive or negative value.

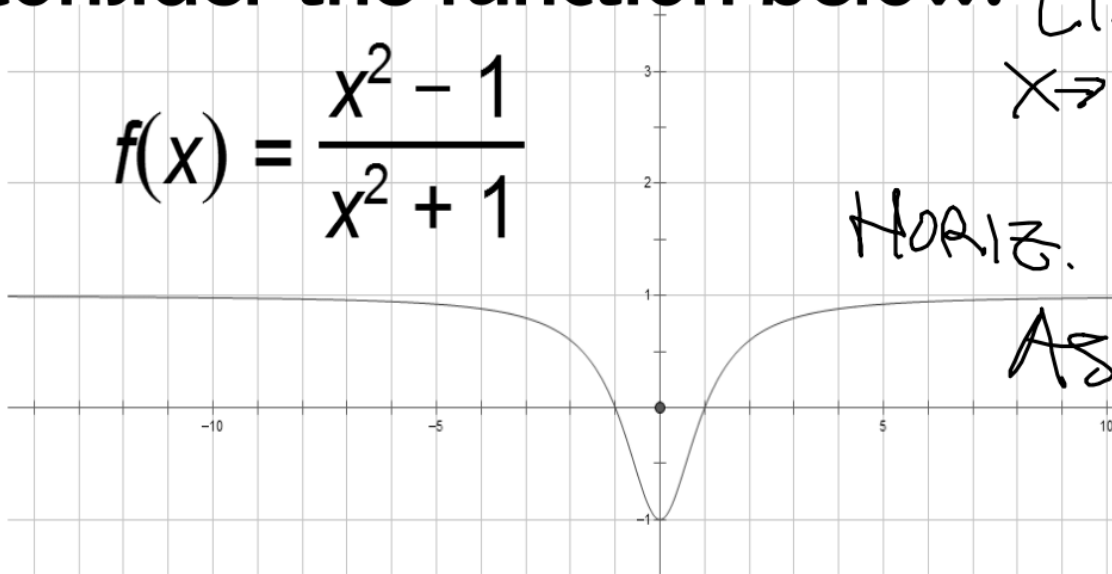
Key idea:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{x} = 0$$

Example:

consider the function below.

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 1}{x^2 + 1}$$



$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2 - 1}{x^2 + 1} \cdot \frac{\frac{1}{x^2}}{\frac{1}{x^2}}$$

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

HORIZ.

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$$y = 1$$

First off, where does it seem like there exists a horizontal asymptote?

Example:

Recall that the limit as x approaches infinity, $f(x)=1/x$ goes to 0.

Evaluate:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3x^2 - x - 2}{5x^2 + 4x + 1}$$

Handwritten annotations: $\frac{x}{x^2} = \frac{1}{x}$ with arrows pointing to the terms in the numerator and denominator. $\frac{1}{x^2}$ is written next to the $3x^2$ and $5x^2$ terms.

Method to solve:
Multiply by clever form of one.
Use 1 over highest degree of denominator

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3 - \frac{1}{x} - \frac{2}{x^2}}{5 + \frac{4}{x} + \frac{1}{x^2}} = \frac{3}{5}$$

Do Now - 9/12/17

1. Draw a function that is defined on a closed interval (so, the domain is $[a, b]$ - you choose a and b) that **FAILS** the Intermediate Value Theorem.

2. Graph, according to the following conditions:

$$f(0) = 3 \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = 4 \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = 2$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = -\infty$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 4^-} f(x) = -\infty$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = 3$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 4^+} f(x) = \infty$$

Most limit laws hold true...But wait.

Evaluate:

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

Don't

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x^2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{x}\right)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x^2 \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{x}\right)$$

$$\infty \cdot 1 = \infty$$

$$\begin{array}{l} x^2 - x \\ x(x-1) \end{array}$$

Look at this ugly thing:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{x^2 + 1} - x &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sqrt{x^2 + 1} - x \right) \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + 1} + x}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1} + x} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(x^2 + 1) - x^2}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1} + x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1} + x} \end{aligned}$$

At this point we want to divide the numerator and denominator by $1/x$ (x being the highest power in the denominator, right?)

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

$$\sqrt{x+2}$$

$$\sqrt{5} \sqrt{x+2}$$

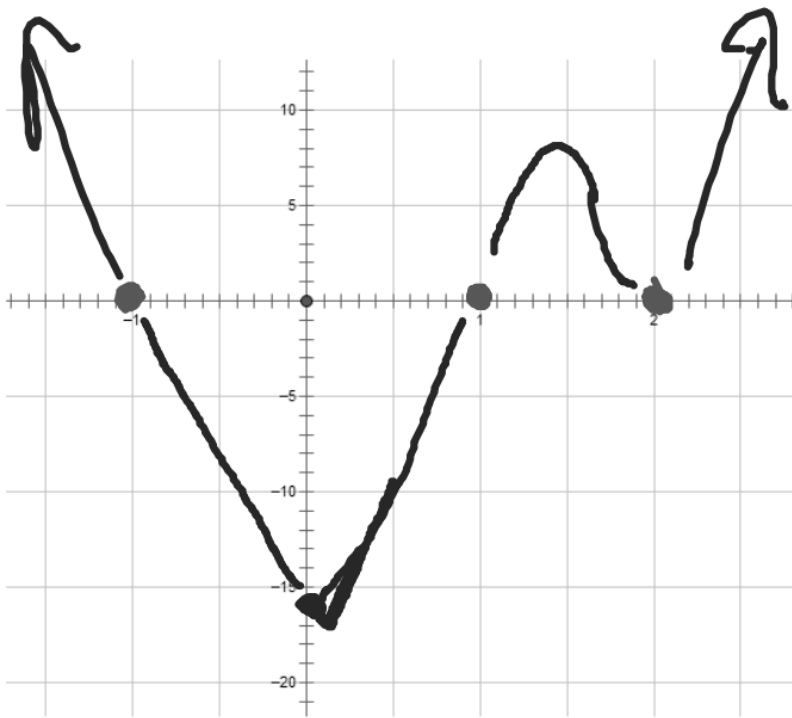
$$\sqrt{5(x+2)} =$$

$$\sqrt{5x+10} \dots$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{x}}{\frac{1}{x^2} (\sqrt{x^2 + 1} + x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{x}}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{x^2}} + 1}$$

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

Sketch the graph of $y = (x-2)^4(x+1)^3(x-1)^2$ by finding its intercepts and its limits as x goes to pos and neg infinity.



- To find x-int: make $y = 0$
- To find y-int: make $x = 0$
- Regard signs when inputting $-\infty$!

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \infty \cdot \infty \cdot \infty = \infty$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = \infty \cdot (-\infty) \cdot (-\infty) = \infty$$

Homework 1.5 #s 3, 4, 6, 10, 15 - 22 all, 29, 35, 41, 51

Hint:

**#35 use squeeze theorem
(start with $-1 \leq \cos x \leq 1$)**

Some practice problems. Just for funsies.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2+5}{(x-2)(3x+10)} \quad \boxed{\frac{1}{3}} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sqrt{9x^2+x-3x} \right) \cdot \frac{\sqrt{9x^2+x+3x}}{\sqrt{9x^2+x+3x}}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x-5}{(2x^2-2)(3x+10)} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{9x^2+x-9x^2}{\sqrt{9x^2+x+3x}}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{6x^3} = \boxed{0}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^3-4x+9}{(x-3)(x+11)} \quad \boxed{\infty}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x}{\sqrt{9x^2+x+3x}} \cdot \frac{\frac{1}{x}}{\frac{1}{x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\frac{1}{x} \sqrt{9x^2+x+3}}$$

you can
tell its
 $\frac{1}{6}$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2}} \sqrt{9x^2+x+3}}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{x^2}{x^2} \left(9\frac{x^2}{x^2} + \frac{x}{x^2} + 3 \right)}}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{9 + \frac{1}{x} + 3}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{9+0+3}} = \boxed{\frac{1}{6}}$$