

Day 4

AP Calculus-AB

Notes: Limits that Involve Infinity (∞)

Remember:

Vertical Asymptotes: Set the denominator of a rational function equal to zero and solve for x.

Horizontal Asymptotes: To find, you compare the degree in numerator/denominator.

1. $\frac{\text{degree top smaller}}{\text{degree in bottom}}$

2. $\frac{\text{degree top equal}}{\text{degree in bottom}}$

3. $\frac{\text{degree top larger}}{\text{degree in bottom}}$

then **HA**:

$$y=0$$

then **HA**:

$y = \text{leading coeff.}$

then **HA**:

none

Example(s) 1: Find all the asymptotes of each function

A.) $f(x) = \frac{4x+3}{2x-6}$

VA: $2x-6=0$ | $x=3$

HA: $y = \frac{4}{2}$ | $y=2$

Let look at the graph of B.)

$$g(x) = \frac{3}{x-4}$$

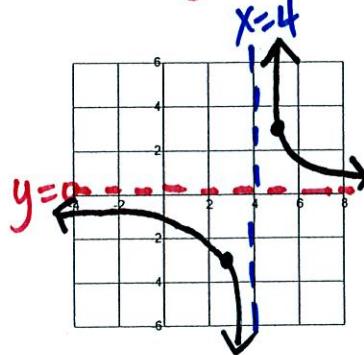
$$g(3) = \frac{3}{3-4} = -3$$

$$g(5) = \frac{3}{5-4} = 3$$

B.) $g(x) = \frac{3}{x-4}$

VA: $x=4$

HA: $y=0$



C.) $h(x) = \frac{x^2-4}{x^2-x-12}$

VA: $x=-3$ and $x=4$

HA: $y=1$

How does this apply to calculus?

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 4^+} g(x) = \infty \quad \boxed{\text{If } \lim_{x \rightarrow C^+} f(x) \text{ or } \lim_{x \rightarrow C^-} f(x)}$$

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

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} g(x) = 0$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} g(x) = 0 \quad \boxed{\text{Then VA: } x=C}$$

If $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} f(x) = L$
Then HA: $y=L$

How would you answer the same questions without using the graph?

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

VA: $x=4$ so Answer $+\infty$ or $-\infty$

$$4^+ \rightarrow 4.001$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 4^-} \frac{3}{x-4} = -\infty$$

VA: $x=4$ so Answer $+\infty$ or $-\infty$

$$4^- \rightarrow 3.999$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3}{x-4} = 0$$

EB so
Answer HA

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{3}{x-4} = 0$$

EB so
Answer HA

Example(s) 2:

Evaluate each without a calculator:

A.) VA: $x=2$

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

$$2^+ \rightarrow 2.001$$

E.) EB $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4x^2+1}{x-3} = +\infty$

Dolly goes
 $\pm\infty$
Big Neg #

B.) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} \ln(x-3)$

$$-\infty$$

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F.) EB $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4x^2+1}{x-3} = -\infty$

Big Neg #

C.) EB $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4x+1}{x-3} = 4$

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$$+$$

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G.) VA: $x=-2$

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

$$-2^+ \rightarrow -1.999$$

H.) VA: $x=-2$

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

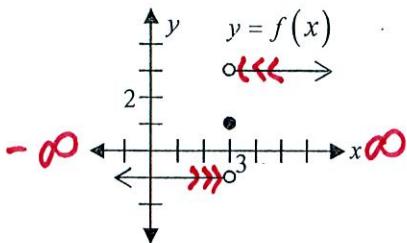
$$-2^- \rightarrow -2.001$$

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D.) EB $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{t-1}{t^2-4} = 0$

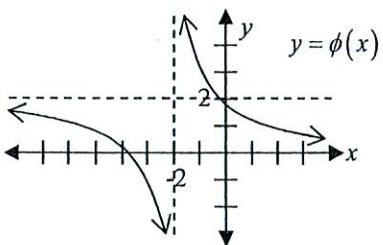
1. For the function f graphed below, find:

- (a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} f(x)$ -1 (b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} f(x)$ 3
 (c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x)$ dne (d) $f(3)$ 1
 (e) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x)$ 1 (f) $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} f(x)$ 3



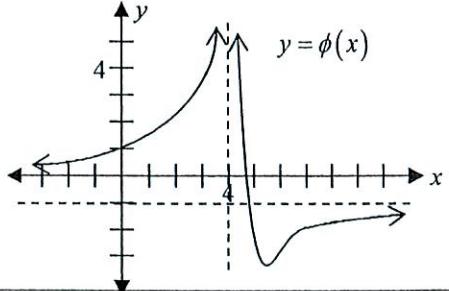
4. For the function ϕ graphed below, find:

- (a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^-} \phi(x)$ 0 (b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} \phi(x)$ 0
 (c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \phi(x)$ dne (d) $\phi(-2)$ undefined.
 (e) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \phi(x)$ 2 (f) $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \phi(x)$ 0



7. For the function ϕ graphed below, find:

- (a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4^-} \phi(x)$ 0 (b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4^+} \phi(x)$ 0
 (c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \phi(x)$ 0 (d) $\phi(4)$ undefined
 (e) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \phi(x)$ 0 (f) $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \phi(x)$ -1

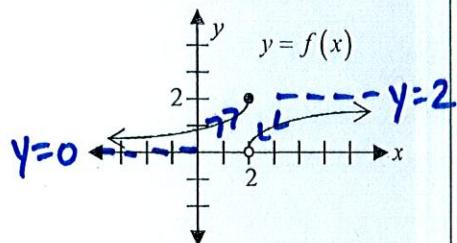


8. For the function G graphed below, find:

- (a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} G(x)$ 3 (b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} G(x)$ 3
 (c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} G(x)$ 3 (d) $G(0)$ 3
 (e) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} G(x)$ dne (f) $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} G(x)$ 0

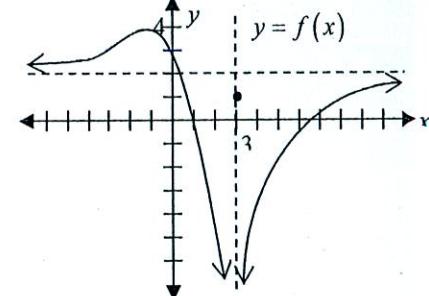
2. For the function f graphed below, find:

- (a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x)$ 2 (b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x)$ 0
 (c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x)$ dne (d) $f(2)$ 2
 (e) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x)$ 0 (f) $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} f(x)$ 2



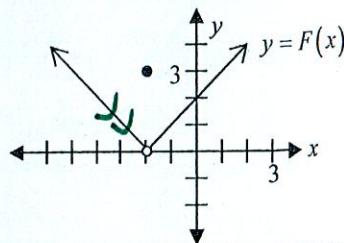
5. For the function f graphed below, find:

- (a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} f(x)$ 0 (b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} f(x)$ 0
 (c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x)$ 0 (d) $f(3)$ 1
 (e) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x)$ 2 (f) $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} f(x)$ 2



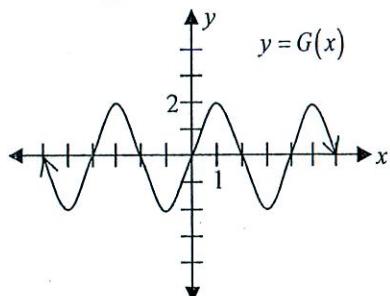
3. For the function F graphed below, find:

- (a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^-} F(x)$ 0 (b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} F(x)$ 0
 (c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} F(x)$ 0 (d) $F(-2)$ 3
 (e) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} F(x)$ 0 (f) $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} F(x)$ infinity



6. For the function G graphed below, find:

- (a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} G(x)$ 0 (b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} G(x)$ 0
 (c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} G(x)$ 0 (d) $G(0)$ 0
 (e) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} G(x)$ d.n.e (f) $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} G(x)$ d.n.e



9. Consider the function f , graphed below. For what values of x_0 does $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x)$ exist?

$$(-\infty, 3) \cup (3, \infty)$$

