

Homework Take-Up:

$$5c) y = (x-5)^{1/3}$$

$$y' = \frac{1}{3} (x-5)^{-2/3}$$
$$= \frac{1}{3(x-5)^{2/3}} \leftarrow$$

$$= \frac{1}{3\sqrt[3]{(x-5)^2}}$$

* check /
later!

$$y' = \frac{1}{3\sqrt[3]{(x-5)^2}}$$

$$0 = \frac{1}{3\sqrt[3]{(x-5)^2}}$$

$$y'' = -\frac{2}{9} (x-5)^{-5/3}$$

$$= \frac{2}{9\sqrt[3]{(x-5)^5}}$$

$$7e) \quad f(x) = \sqrt{x^2 - 2x + 2}$$

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

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

	$x < 1$	$x > 1$
$x - 1$	-	+
$(x^2 - 2x + 2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$	+	+

$f'(x)$

-

+

∴ minimum at $f(1) = 1$.

L3. (4.3) Limits and Asymptotes

- Horizontal Asymptotes: Limits as $x \rightarrow \pm\infty$

Ex1: Take & Compare the following limits, if they exist.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{x^2 + 1} \quad \text{FROM MHF H.A. } y=0$$
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{1}{x^2 + 1}$$
$$= 0 \qquad \qquad \qquad = 0$$

We can find horizontal asymptotes easily now.

Ex2: Determine the following limits, if they exist.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2}{x+2} \cdot \frac{\frac{1}{x^2}}{\frac{1}{x^2}} \quad \text{OBLIQUE} \qquad \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{x^2}{x+2}$$
$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\frac{1}{x} + \frac{2}{x^2}} \qquad \qquad \qquad = \text{DNE}$$
$$= \text{undefined DNE}$$

Ex3: Determine the following limits, if they exist. Explain the outcome.

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

$\therefore y = -1$ is the horizontal asymptotes.

Horizontal Asymptotes and Limits at Infinity

If $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = L$ or $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = L$, we say that the line $y = L$

is a horizontal asymptote of the graph $f(x)$.

Ex4: Evaluate

$$\text{a) } \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x}{x^2 + 2x + 1} \cdot \frac{\frac{1}{x^2}}{\frac{1}{x^2}}$$

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

$$= \frac{0}{1 + 0 + 0}$$

$$= 0$$

$$\text{b) } \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x^3 + x^2}{1 - 3x^3} \cdot \frac{\frac{1}{x^3}}{\frac{1}{x^3}}$$

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

$$= \frac{-2}{3}$$

Vertical Asymptotes of Rational Functions

A rational function of the form $f(x) = \frac{p(x)}{q(x)}$ has a vertical asymptote $x = c$ if $q(c) = 0$ and $p(c) \neq 0$.

Ex5: Evaluate

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{3}{4-x}$$

Left sided:

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

choose $x = 3.9999$
and solve

$$= +\infty$$

$\therefore \therefore$ DNE

Right sided limits:

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

choose $x = 4.0001$
and take limit

$$= -\infty$$

$\therefore \therefore$ DNE

Assigned Work

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