We must set the denominator equal to 0 and solve:  $e^4 - 256 = 0$ 

 $(e^2-16)(e^2+16)=0$  $(e^2 - 16) = 0$ 

(e-4)(e+4)=0e=4 or e=-4There is vertical asymptote at e=4 and at e=-4

To find the horizontal asymptote :

First we must compare the degrees of the polynomials. The numerator contains a 3<sup>rd</sup> degree polynomial while the

denominator contains a 4<sup>th</sup> degree polynomial.

To find the vertical asymptote :

Since the polynomial in the numerator is a lower degree than the denominator, the horizontal asymptote is located at n=0.

To find the oblique asymptote : Since the degrees of the numerator are less than the degrees of the denominator, this rational does not have an oblique asymptote

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