

Infinite Limits and Limits at Infinity

1. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x)$ for the following functions and state whether they have horizontal asymptotes or not.

(i)

$$f(x) = \frac{4x}{20x + 1}$$

Answer: $y = \frac{1}{5}$

(ii)

$$f(x) = \frac{12x^8 - 3}{3x^8 - 2x^7}$$

Answer: $y = 4$

(iii)

$$f(x) = \frac{6x^2 + 1}{\sqrt{4x^4 + 3x + 1}}$$

Answer: $y = 3$

2. Determine the following infinite limits.

(i)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(5 + \frac{1}{x} + \frac{10}{x^2} \right)$$

Answer: 5

(ii)

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\cos \theta}{\theta^2}$$

(Hint: similar to an example from the lecture) *Answer:* 0