## **Horizontal Asymptotes**

## **Effect of Degree on Rational Functions**

$$a < b$$
;  $rac{x^a}{x^b}$ ;  $rac{y=0}{y}$ 

$$a=a$$
;  $rac{1x^a}{3x^a}$ ;  $y=1/3$ 

$$a>b$$
;  $rac{x^a}{x^b}$ ; none (or oblique if  $a-b=1$ )

Find an oblique through long division of the numerator by the denominator.