

SECTION 2-6 (DAY 1)

1. Use graphs to determine the limits at infinity below:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} e^x = +\infty$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} e^x = 0$$

$$* \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} e^{-x} = 0$$

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$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{x} = 0$$

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$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{x^2} = 0$$

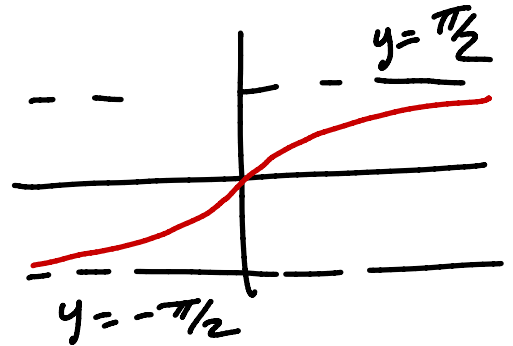
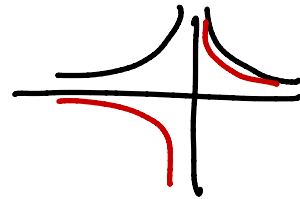
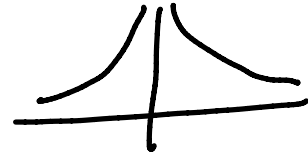
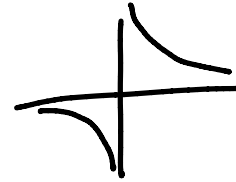
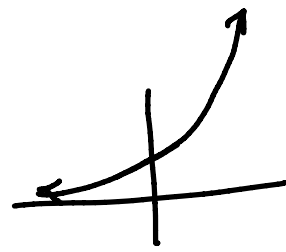
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{x^2} = 0$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{x^n} = 0$$

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$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \arctan(x) = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

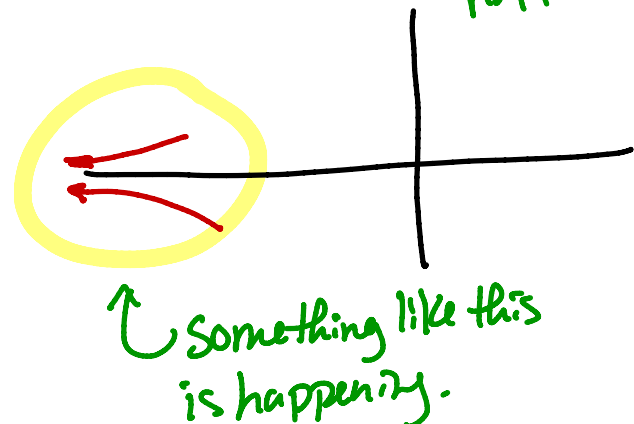
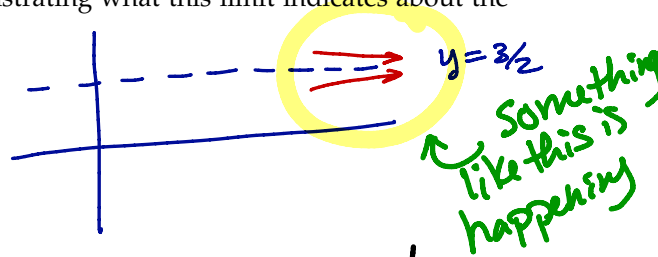
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \arctan(x) = -\frac{\pi}{2}$$



2. Algebraically find the limits below and draw a picture demonstrating what this limit indicates about the graph of the function.

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(3x^2 + 4x)}{(2x^2 + 7)} \cdot \frac{(\frac{1}{x^2})}{(\frac{1}{x^2})} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3 + \frac{4}{x}}{2 + \frac{7}{x^2}} \\ &= \frac{3+0}{2+0} = \frac{3}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{(3x^2 + 4x)}{(2x^4 + 7)} \cdot \frac{(\frac{1}{x^4})}{(\frac{1}{x^4})} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{\frac{3}{x^2} + \frac{4}{x^3}}{2 + \frac{7}{x^4}} \\ &= \frac{0+0}{2+0} = \frac{0}{2} = 0 \end{aligned}$$



3. Find all vertical and horizontal asymptotes in the graph of the function $g(s) = \frac{\sqrt{3s^2+1}}{2s+1}$.

Vertical asymptotes: look close to $s = -\frac{1}{2}$

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow -\frac{1}{2}^+} \left(\frac{\sqrt{3s^2+1}}{2s+1} \right) = +\infty$$

answer $s = -\frac{1}{2}$
is a vertical asymptote.

thinking: $s \approx -0.4$

as $s \rightarrow -0.5^+$, $\sqrt{3s^2+1} \rightarrow +\sqrt{5/2} > 0$

and $2s+1 \rightarrow 0^+$

horizontal asymptotes: limits at infinity

$$\bullet \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{\sqrt{3s^2+1}}{2s+1} \right) \left(\frac{1/s}{1/s} \right) = \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{\frac{3s^2+1}{s^2}}}{2 + \frac{1}{s}} = \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{3 + \frac{1}{s^2}}}{2 + \frac{1}{s}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

answer: $y = \sqrt{3}/2$ is a horizontal asymptote

$$\bullet \lim_{s \rightarrow -\infty} \left(\frac{\sqrt{3s^2+1}}{2s+1} \right) \left(\frac{1/s}{1/s} \right) = \lim_{s \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{-\sqrt{\frac{3s^2+1}{s^2}}}{2 + \frac{1}{s}} = \lim_{s \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{-\sqrt{3 + \frac{1}{s^2}}}{2 + \frac{1}{s}} = -\sqrt{3}/2$$

answer: $y = -\sqrt{3}/2$ is also an asymptote.

