

PTT:

1. Pick up your test.
2. Hand in your boxes.
3. Find the vertical asymptotes and/or holes in

the function: $\frac{4x}{x^3 - x} = \frac{4x}{x(x^2 - 1)} = \frac{4x}{x(x+1)(x-1)}$

Domain: $\mathbb{R}, x \neq 1, -1, 0$

V.A.: $x = 1, x = -1$

Holes: $(0, -4)$

$$\frac{4}{(x+1)(x-1)} = \frac{4}{1 \cdot (-1)} = -4$$

		<u>Unit 6 - Rational Functions</u>	
		<u>Week 1 (Nov 19 - 22)</u>	
	Day 2	T	6-1 & 6-2 Intro to rationals
	Day 3	W/Th	6-3 End behaviour
	Day 4	F	Quiz, 6-4 Graphing rationals
			<i>Hand out assignment</i>
		<u>Week 2 (Nov 25 - 26)</u>	
	Day 1	M/T	6-5 Graphing rationals part 2
	<i>Day 2</i>	<i>T</i>	<i>IMC day P5 only</i>
		<u>Week 3 (Dec 2 - 6)</u>	
	Day 1	M/T	6-7 "Putting it all together"
	Day 2	T/W	Unit 6 review <i>Assignment due</i>
	Day 3	Th	UNIT 6 TEST

Lesson 6-3: End Behaviour

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Objective: To be able to determine the behaviour of rational functions as they approach $+$ or $-$ infinity.

Agenda:

1. PTT
2. Unit overview
3. Lesson 6-3
4. Work time on A6-3

TOPIC: RATIONAL FUNCTIONS AND END BEHAVIOR

Horizontal Asymptotes (HA):

1. $f(x) = \frac{3}{2x+4}$ What is the end behavior of $f(x)$?

x	f(x)
-10	-0.188
-100	-0.015
-1000	-0.002
-10000	-0.000

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The line $y = c$ is a horizontal asymptote of $f(x)$ if as $x \rightarrow -\infty$ or ∞ , $f(x) \rightarrow c$.

As $x \rightarrow -\infty$
 $f(x) \rightarrow 0$

As $x \rightarrow \infty$
 $f(x) \rightarrow 0$

As $x \rightarrow -\infty$ or $x \rightarrow \infty$, $f(x) \rightarrow 0$.
 Conclusion: $y = 0$ is a H.A. of $f(x)$

Analyze the end behavior of each of the following rational functions and then write in proper rational form.

2. $f(x) = \frac{3x}{x+2}$

x	f(x)
-10	3.75
-100	3.061
-1000	3.006
-10000	3.0006

x	f(x)
10	2.5
100	2.941
1000	2.994
10000	2.9994

As $x \rightarrow -\infty$
 $f(x) \rightarrow 3$

As $x \rightarrow \infty$
 $f(x) \rightarrow 3$

As $x \rightarrow -\infty$ or $x \rightarrow \infty$, $f(x) \rightarrow 3$.
 Conclusion: $y = 3$ is a H.A. of $f(x)$.

Memory Trick for HA: Bobo Botn Eatdc

- * Bigger on bottom - zero
- * Bigger on top - none
- * Exponents are the same - divide coefficients

← look at the degree of top and bottom

- If there are no HA (botn), then factor and cancel (if possible) and graph what is remaining, or use long division to find the slant asymptote. The long division will produce a linear equation (ignore the remainder), which will be the equation of the asymptote.

* You will never have both a HA and an SA together

Slant Asymptote (SA):

3. $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 2}{x + 2}$

deg 2 → no H.A.
deg 1

x	f(x)
-10	-12.25
-100	-102
-1000	-1002
-10000	-10002

x	f(x)
10	8.167
100	98.020
1000	998
10000	9998

As $x \rightarrow -\infty$
 $f(x) \rightarrow -\infty$

As $x \rightarrow \infty$
 $f(x) \rightarrow \infty$

Does $f(x)$ have a horizontal asymptote? NO

Graph $f(x)$ and $y = x - 2$ in the same window. Notice the end behavior of $f(x)$. The line $y = x - 2$ is called a slant asymptote.

As $x \rightarrow -\infty$ or $x \rightarrow \infty$, $f(x) \rightarrow x - 2$.
Conclusion: $y = x - 2$ is a S.A.

Determine the end behavior (HA or SA) of the following rational functions. Confirm with your graphing calculator.

4. $f(x) = \frac{-4}{2x+1}$

deg top: 0
deg bottom: 1

BOB O

End Behavior: H.A. $y=0$

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

deg top: 2
deg bottom: 1

BO T N

End Behavior: S.A.

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

deg top: 1
deg b: 1

EATS DC
exponents are the same

$-\frac{4}{2}$

End Behavior: H.A. $y=-2$

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

deg top: 1
deg b: 2

BOB O

End Behavior: H.A. $y=0$

Find the domain, holes, and asymptotes of the following rational functions.

Function	Holes	VA	HA	SA
8. $f(x) = \frac{4x}{x^3 - x}$ $= \frac{4\cancel{x}}{\cancel{x}(x+1)(x-1)}$ Domain: $x \neq 0, \pm 1$	$(0, -4)$ $\frac{4}{(+1)(-1)}$	$x = -1$ $x = +1$	$y = 0$	none
9. $h(x) = \frac{1-3x}{x+6}$ Domain: $x \neq -6$	NO	$x = -6$ $x + 6 > 0$ $x = -6$	$y = -3$ $\frac{-3}{1} = -3$	NONE
10. $f(x) = \frac{2(x-3)(x+2)(\cancel{x-4})}{x^2 - 5x + 4}$ $(\cancel{x-4})(x-1)$ $\frac{2(4-3)(4+2)}{(4-1)}$ $= \frac{2 \cdot 1 \cdot 6}{3}$ $= 4$ Domain: $x \neq 1, 4$	$x = 4$ $(4, 4)$	$x = 1$	NONE	YES S.A.

Classwork/homework:

A6-3

— please file tests

Reminders:

Quiz on 6-1 to 6-3 Friday!