

Turn in Homework #1

1.2 #1-7odd,9-18all

$|2| = 2$

$|-2| = 2 = -(-2)$

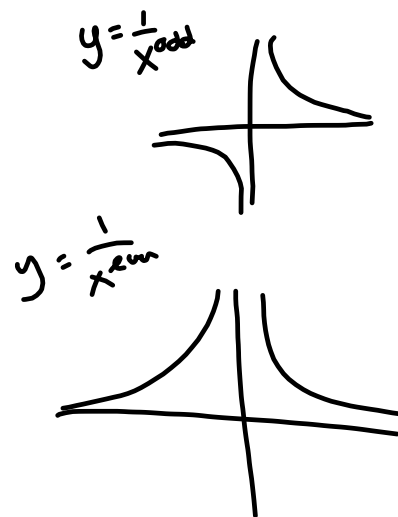
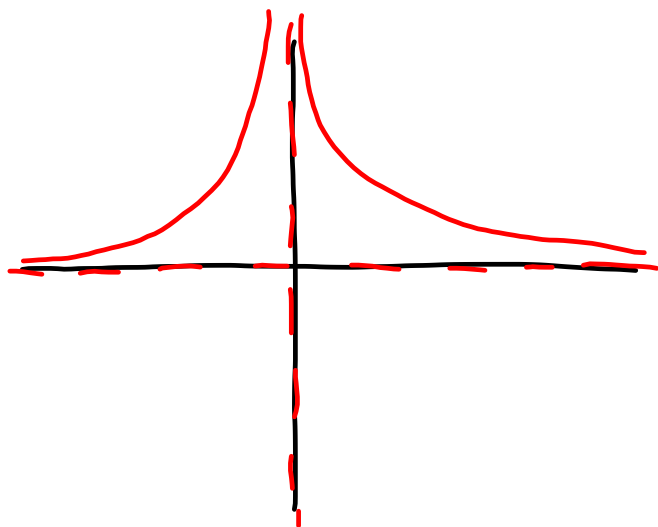
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{|x-3|}{x-3} \quad \text{does not exist}$$

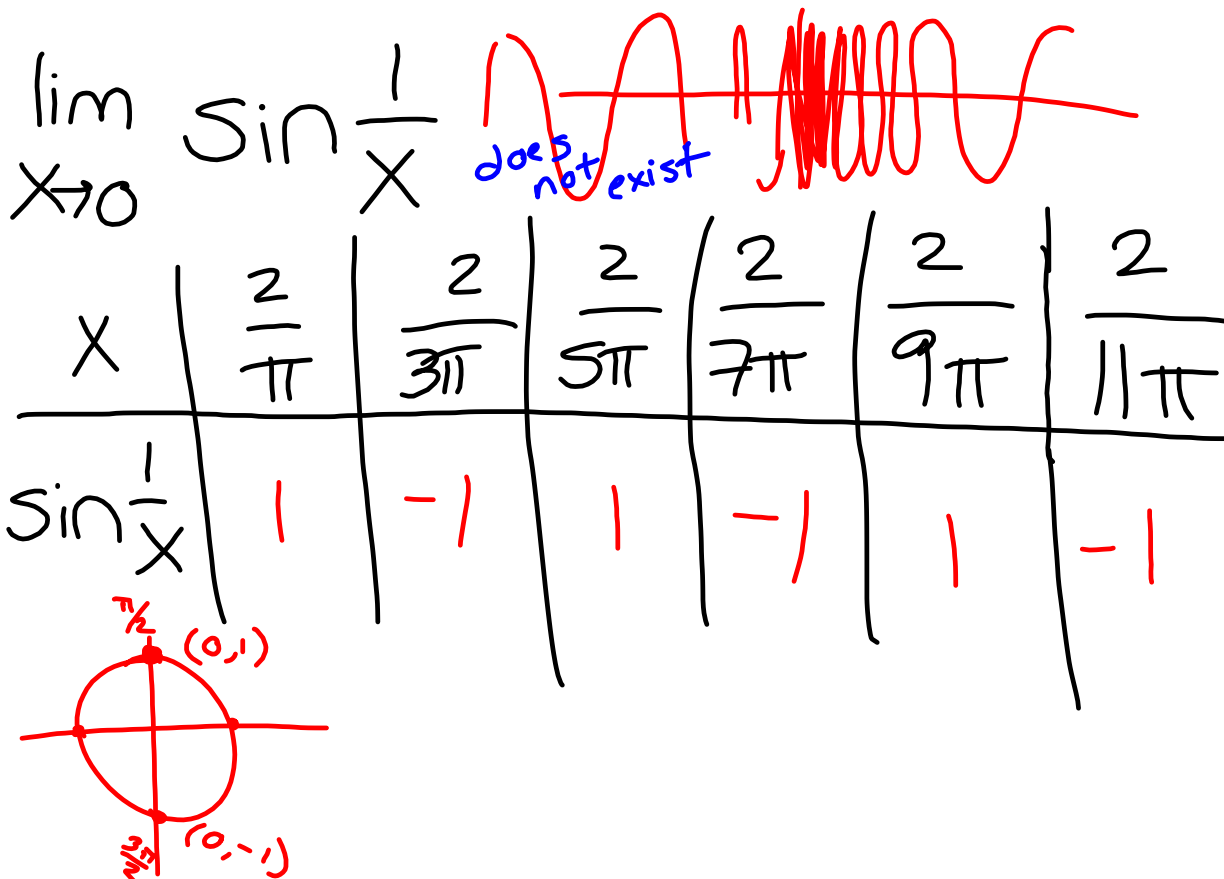
$$\frac{|x-3|}{x-3} = \begin{cases} \frac{x-3}{x-3} = 1 & , \quad x-3 > 0 \\ & x > 3 \\ -\frac{(x-3)}{x-3} = -1 & , \quad x-3 < 0 \\ & x < 3 \end{cases}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} = 1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} = -1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{x^4} = \infty$$





"Dirichlet Function"

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } x \text{ is rational} \\ 1, & \text{if } x \text{ is irrational} \end{cases}$$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)$  does not exist for  
any value of  $c$

Graph the rational function.

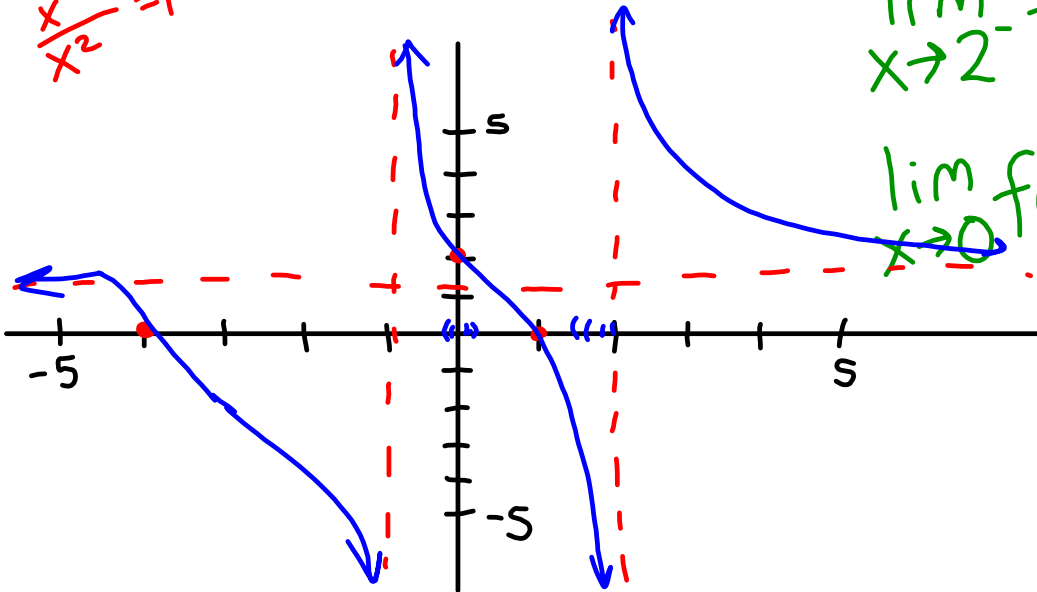
$$f(x) = \frac{(x+4)(x-1)}{(x-2)(x+1)}$$

$$\frac{x^2}{x^2} = 1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = 1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x) = -\infty$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = 2$$

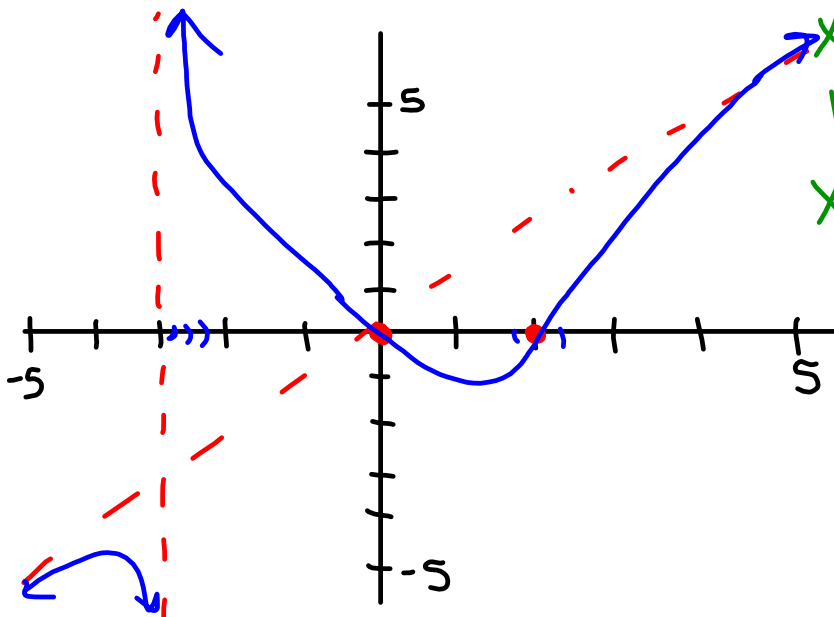


$$f(x) = \frac{x(x-2)}{x+3}$$

$$\approx \frac{x^2}{x} = x \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = -\infty$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -3^+} f(x) = \infty$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = \bigcirc$$



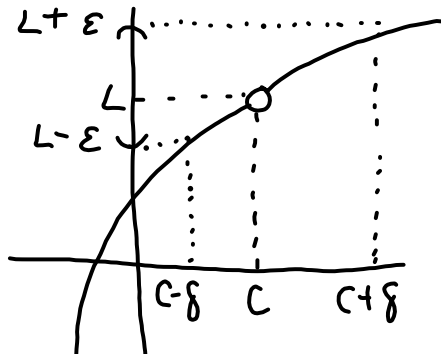
**Building up to the  $\epsilon - \delta$  Definition of the Limit**

$\epsilon = \text{epsilon}$

$\delta = \text{delta}$

Translating the “informal description”:  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = L$

If  $f(x)$  becomes arbitrarily close to a single number  $L$  as  $x$  approaches  $c$  from either side, the limit of  $f(x)$ , as  $x$  approaches  $c$ , is  $L$ .



“ $f(x)$  becomes arbitrarily close to  $L$ ”

$f(x)$  lies in the interval  $(L - \epsilon, L + \epsilon)$  for some (really small)  $\epsilon > 0$ .

$$|f(x) - L| < \epsilon$$

“the distance between  $f(x)$  and  $L$  is less than  $\epsilon$ ”

“ $x$  approaches  $c$ ”

There exists a (very small) positive number  $\delta$  such that  $x$  is either in the interval  $(c - \delta, c)$  or  $(c, c + \delta)$ .

$$0 < |x - c| < \delta$$

The first inequality guarantees that  $x \neq c$ .

**$\epsilon - \delta$  Definition of the Limit:**

Let  $f$  be a function defined on an open interval containing  $c$  (except possibly at  $c$ ) and let  $L$  be a real number. The statement

*arbitrarily small  $\epsilon$  that we choose*

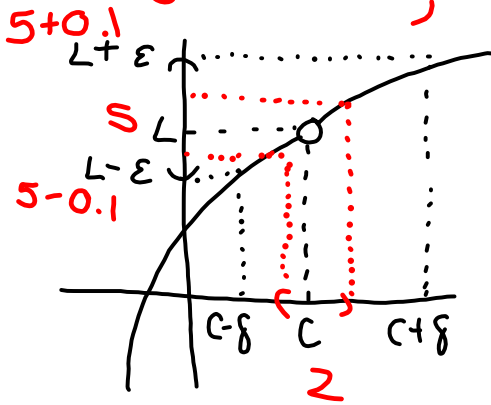
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = L$$

*another arbitrarily small  $\delta$  dependent on the  $\epsilon$  we chose*

means that for each  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists a  $\delta > 0$  such that if

$$0 < |x - c| < \delta, \text{ then } |f(x) - L| < \epsilon.$$

*$x$  is  $\delta$ -close to  $c$ , then  $f(x)$  is  $\epsilon$ -close to  $L$ .*



$\varepsilon - \delta$  Definition of the Limit:

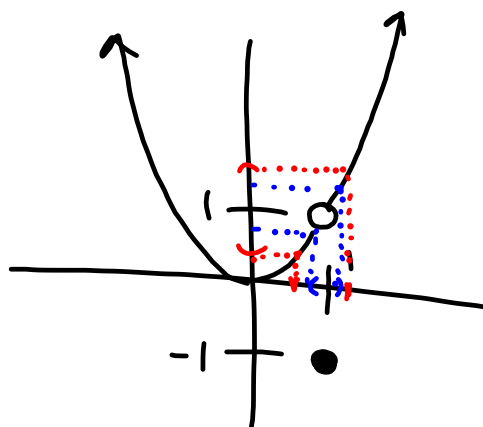
$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = L$  if given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists a  $\delta > 0$  such that

$|f(x) - L| < \varepsilon$  whenever  $0 < |x - c| < \delta$ .

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2, & x \neq 1 \\ -1, & x = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x) = 1$$

$$c = 1 \qquad L = 1$$



HW #1 (submitted 11/7):  
1.2 #1-7odd,9-18all

HW #2 (due 11/14):  
1.2 #23, 25, 27, 29, 30, 31

and watch all of the Khan Academy epsilon-delta videos!

