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$$\frac{t-t^{-1}}{t+t^{-1}} = \frac{\quad}{\quad}$$

$$t^{-1} = \frac{1}{t}$$

$$\frac{\frac{A}{\cancel{B}}}{\frac{C}{\cancel{B}}} = \frac{A}{C}$$

$$\frac{\frac{t}{t} - \frac{1}{t}}{\frac{t}{t} + \frac{1}{t}} \stackrel{\text{common denom}}{=} \frac{\frac{t^2-1}{t}}{\frac{t^2+1}{t}} \stackrel{\text{★}}{=} \frac{t^2-1}{t^2+1} = \frac{(t-1)(t+1)}{t^2+1}$$

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what's the domain

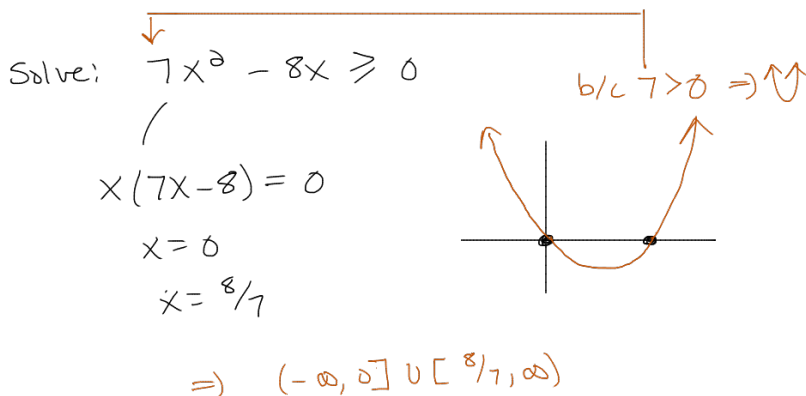
$$f(x) = \sqrt[9]{7x^2 - 8x}$$

$(-\infty, \infty)$

Ex: $g(x) = \sqrt[8]{7x^2 - 8x}$

Note the degree of the root matters
 \Rightarrow can't "even-root" a negative
 \Rightarrow you can "odd-root" a negative

Ex $\sqrt[3]{-1} = -1$

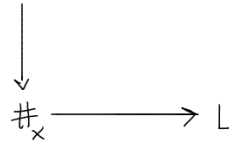


Limits

Def'n: $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = L$ ^{some #}

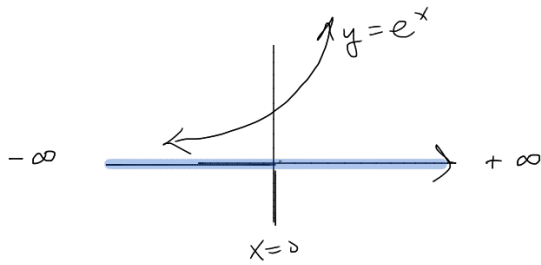
means

you can make $f(x)$ arbitrarily close to L , by making x close to c

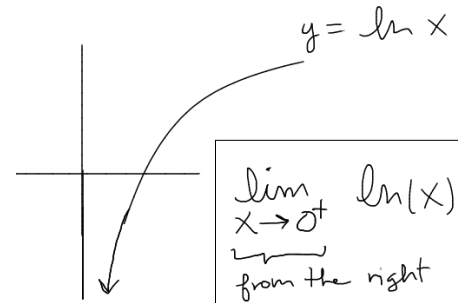


when $x \rightarrow c$

Fact: Limits are kinda like asymptotes



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



$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \ln(x) = -\infty$$

from the right

Compute limits with table

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{1}{(x-4)^2} = +\infty$$

x	3	3.5	3.9	3.99	3.999	4.001	4.01	4.1	4.5	5
f(x)	1	4	100	1,000	10,000	100,000	10,000	100	4	1

$\frac{1}{(3-4)^2} = 1$ $\frac{1}{(3.5-4)^2}$ $\frac{1}{(3.9-4)^2}$ $\frac{1}{(5-4)^2} = 1$

First Rule of Limits:

If, when you plug in the x, you get a real #, THAT'S the limit.

Table of x's: need to approach 4.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{1}{(x-4)^3} = DNE$$

x	3	3.5	3.9	3.99	3.999	4.001	4.01	4.1	4.5	5
f(x)	-1	-8	-10 ³	-10 ⁶	$\approx -\infty$	$\approx +\infty$	10 ⁶	10 ³	8	1

when the left limit and right limit do not agree ... we say the limit does not exist

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 4^-} \frac{1}{(x-4)^3} = -\infty$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 4^+} \frac{1}{(x-4)^3} = +\infty$$

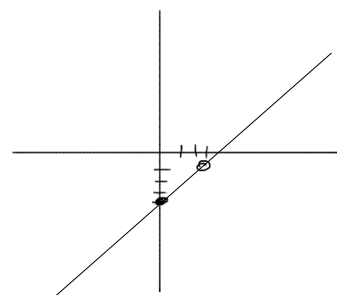
Often limits are easy:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} x^2 - 7x + 12 = 2^2 - 7 \cdot 2 + 12 = 4 - 14 + 12 = 2$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{(x-3)(x-4)}{x-3} \stackrel{\text{eval}}{=} \frac{9-21+12}{0} = \frac{0}{0}$$

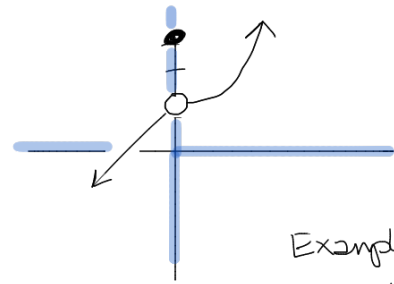
$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x-4}{1} = -1$$

$$y = \frac{x^2 - 7x + 12}{x - 3}$$



Piecewise Limits

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} e^x & x > 0 \\ 3 & x = 0 \\ x + 1 & x < 0 \end{cases}$$



Example of a discontinuous function.

Compute

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = 1$$

① Left: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} (x + 1) = 1$
↳ $(x < 0)$

② Right: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} e^x = 1$
↳ $x > 0$

③ Agree: $\textcircled{1}$

$$f(0) = 3$$