

2.4: End Behavior

1. End Behavior

A. How does a function behave as x approaches infinity (on the right) or negative infinity (on the left).

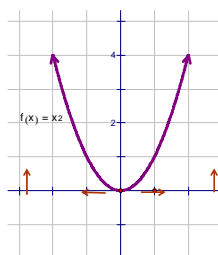
B. We write “the limit as x goes to infinity” as

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty}$$

C. Ex 1: Describe the end behavior of $y = x^2$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x^2 = \infty$$

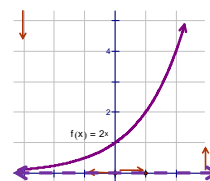
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} x^2 = \infty$$



D. Ex 2: Describe the end behavior of $y = 2^x$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} 2^x = \infty$$

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



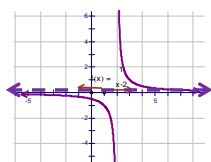
1. If the limit approaches a constant as x goes to $+$ or $-$ infinity, we say it has a horizontal asymptote at $y =$ that constant.
2. Does the function above have a horizontal asymptote?
yes, $y = 0$

E. Ex 3: Examine the end behavior and asymptotes of

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

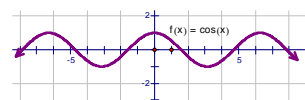
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = 0$$

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



Any horizontal asymptotes?
yes, $y = 0$

F. Ex 4: Examine the end behavior of $f(x) = \cos(x)$



Conclusion:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \text{Does Not Exist (DNE)}$$

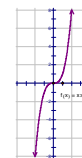
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = \text{Does Not Exist (DNE)}$$

G. Ex 5: Determine the end behavior of the odd function

$$g(x) = x^3$$

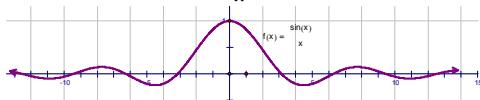
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} g(x) = \infty$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} g(x) = -\infty$$



H. Ex 6: Determine the end behavior of the function

$$g(x) = \frac{\sin x}{x}$$



$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} g(x) = 0$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} g(x) = 0$$

II. Possible End Behaviors:

There are three possible end behaviors:

1. The values of $f(x)$ can increase or decrease without bound (to ∞ or $-\infty$)
2. The values of $f(x)$ can approach some number L
3. The values of $f(x)$ can follow neither of these patterns (such as oscillating between two values).

CW: LM 1, 2, 5, 6

HW: p. 100-101 #5-7, 11, 15-17

2.5: Parametric Equations

I. What are Parametrics?

A. Normally we define functions in terms of one variable – for example, y as a function of x .

B. Suppose in a graph, each (x, y) depended on a third variable t .

C. We would call t the parameter and call the equation a parametric equation.

II. Why use parametric equations?

A. Show both vertical and horizontal motion.

B. Easier equations.

C. Easier inverse.

D. Graph non-functions.

E. Graph parts of lines or curves (by restricting t).

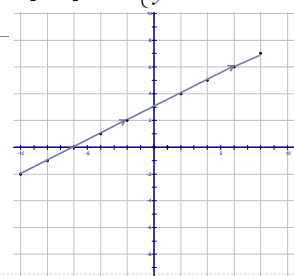
F. Curves have direction.

III. Examples

Ex 1: Graph this parametric equation: $\begin{cases} x = 2t \\ y = t + 3 \end{cases}$

Fill in the table for t values $[-5, 5]$

t	x	y
-5	-10	-2
-4	-8	-1
-3	-6	0
-2	-4	1
-1	-2	2
0	0	3
1	2	4
2	4	5
3	6	6
4	8	7
5	10	8



EX 2: Inverses

Find the inverse of $y = x^2 - x - 2$

Problems:

▶ Solving for y when $x = y^2 - y - 2$

▶ You would have to graph it one half at a time because its not a function.

▶ Instead, define it as $\begin{cases} x = t \\ y = t^2 - t - 2 \end{cases}$

▶ Then the inverse is simply $\begin{cases} x = t^2 - t - 2 \\ y = t \end{cases}$ (switch x and y)

▶ Graph them both.

EX 3: Graph a cloud

▶ Graph $\begin{cases} x = 7 \sin t - \sin(7t) \\ y = 7 \cos t - \cos(7t) \end{cases}$

Settings: t values: $[-\pi, \pi]$ x and y : $[-10, 10]$

Projectile Motion

- Suppose you toss a ball in the air. Its position (ordered pairs (x, y)) is defined parametrically by this set of equations:

$$\begin{cases} x = v_x t + d_0 \\ y = \frac{-1}{2} g t^2 + v_y t + h_0 \end{cases}$$

- v_x is the horizontal velocity at release
- v_y is the vertical velocity at release
- The point at which you release it is the ordered pair (d_0, h_0)
- g is the gravitational constant (9.8 in m/s^2 or 32 in ft/sec^2)

EX 4: Basketball shot

In a basketball game, a free throw is released from a point 6 feet above the ground and 14 feet from the basket. The vertical velocity at release is 20 ft/sec and horizontal velocity is 14 ft/sec.

- (a) Give the equations for the ball's horizontal distance x and vertical distance y at time t :

$$\begin{cases} x(t) = 14t \\ y(t) = -16t^2 + 20t + 6 \end{cases}$$

- (b) Will the ball go directly into the basket? Assume the basket is 10 feet high.

After 1 second, the ball has traveled 14 feet horizontally, and is at a height of 10 feet, so it will go in

- (c) Look at the info on the graph. What does x , y , and t tell us? Trace it.

x = horizontal distance
 y = height
 t = time

HW: p. 105-107 #4, 7-10, 12, 15, 20