

PRACTICE PROBLEMS

(1) Find the vertical and horizontal asymptotes of the following functions:

(a) $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - x - 6}{x^2 - x - 20}$

(b) $g(x) = \frac{x + 1}{(x + 3)(x + 5)}$

(c) $h(x) = \frac{(x + 1)^2}{x^2 + 4x + 3}$

(2) On what intervals are the following functions continuous?

(a) $\arctan\left(-x^2 + \frac{5}{x} - \sqrt{x + 1}\right)$

(b) $\ln\left(\frac{\sqrt{x + 2}}{x}\right)$

(c) $5x\sqrt{x^2 + x}$

(d) $\frac{\sqrt{x + 1} - \sqrt{x - 1}}{3x}$

(3) In general, 4th degree polynomials don't have to have a root (e.g. $f(x) = x^4 + 1$). Show that $g(x) = 4x^4 - 10x^3 + 4x^2 - 6x - 10$ has a root.

(4) Find the following limits:

(a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{x^2 - 2x - 15}{x - 5}$

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^2 - 3}{x + 5}$

(c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{9 + x} - 3}{x}$

(d) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} \sin(x + \sin(x))$

(5) Do the following sequences converge? If so, to what?

(a) $a_n = \frac{n}{n^3 + 1}$

(b) $b_n = \frac{n^3 + 5}{n^2 + 3n + 4}$

(c) $c_n = \frac{(-3)^n}{6^n}$

(d) $d_n = \cos(n\pi/2)$