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Solutions

• 20 minutes

• No calculators

• Show sufficient work

We will learn l'Hospital's Rule and other shortcuts for obtaining limits later. For now you are not allowed to use these approaches.

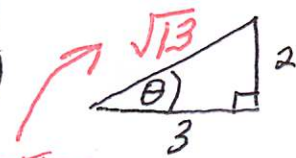
1. (2 points) Evaluate $\csc(2 \arctan(2/3))$.

$$\text{Let } \theta = \arctan(2/3)$$

$$\text{Then } \tan(\theta) = \frac{2}{3} \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{opp} \\ \text{adj} \end{array} \right)$$

$$\text{with } \theta \in \left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

$$\frac{2}{3} > 0 \Rightarrow \theta \in (0, \pi/2)$$



From Pythagorean Theorem

$$\csc(2 \arctan(2/3)) = \csc(2\theta)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sin(2\theta)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2 \sin(\theta) \cos(\theta)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2 \left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{13}}\right) \left(\frac{3}{\sqrt{13}}\right)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{12/13} = \frac{13}{12}$$

2. (2 points) Write an equation for each vertical asymptote on the graph of the given function. Use limits to justify your answer.

$$f(x) = \frac{10x^2 - 90}{x^2 - 8x + 15} = \frac{10(x^2 - 9)}{(x-5)(x-3)} = \frac{10(x+3)(x-3)}{(x-5)(x-3)} = \frac{10(x+3)}{x-5}$$

$f(x)$ is undefined at $x=3$ and $x=5$, so we will check for vertical asymptotes there.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{10x^2 - 90}{x^2 - 8x + 15} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{10(x+3)}{x-5} = \frac{10(3+3)}{3-5} = -30$$

no vertical asymptote at $x=3$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 5^-} \frac{10x^2 - 90}{x^2 - 8x + 15} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5^-} \frac{10(x+3) \rightarrow 80}{x-5 \rightarrow 0^-} = -\infty$$

$f(x)$ has a vertical asymptote at $x=5$

Note: we also could have used $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5^+} f(x) = \infty$

3. (2 points each) Evaluate the following limits. For infinite limits, you must clearly show whether the limit is ∞ or $-\infty$.

$$(a) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (\ln(2x) - \ln(x^3 + 5x)) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \ln\left(\frac{2x}{x^3 + 5x}\right)$$

(indeterminate form)
 $-\infty - (-\infty)$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \ln\left(\frac{2x}{x(x^2 + 5)}\right)$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \ln\left(\frac{2}{x^2 + 5}\right)$$

$$= \ln\left(\frac{2}{5}\right)$$

$$(b) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{4e^x + 5}{3 - 3e^x} \begin{matrix} \rightarrow 9 \\ \rightarrow 0^- \end{matrix} = -\infty$$

we used that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (4e^x + 5) = 4e^0 + 5 = 4 + 5 = 9$

and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (3 - 3e^x) = 3 - 3e^0 = 3 - 3 = 0$

For $x \rightarrow 0^+$, we have $x > 0$ and $e^x > 1$

Thus $3 - 3e^x \rightarrow 0^-$

$$(c) \lim_{x \rightarrow 10} \frac{x-10}{\sqrt{x-6}-2} \begin{matrix} \rightarrow 0 \\ \rightarrow 0 \end{matrix} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 10} \frac{x-10}{\sqrt{x-6}-2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x-6}+2}{\sqrt{x-6}+2}$$

(indeterminate form $\frac{0}{0}$)

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 10} \frac{(x-10)(\sqrt{x-6}+2)}{(\sqrt{x-6}-2)(\sqrt{x-6}+2)}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 10} \frac{(x-10)(\sqrt{x-6}+2)}{(\sqrt{x-6})^2 - (2)^2}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 10} \frac{(x-10)(\sqrt{x-6}+2)}{x-6-4}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 10} \frac{(x-10)(\sqrt{x-6}+2)}{x-10}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 10} (\sqrt{x-6}+2)$$

$$= \sqrt{10-6} + 2$$

$$= \sqrt{4} + 2$$

$$= 2 + 2$$

$$= 4$$