

Sec 3.5.1

Asymptotic behavior & domain restrictions

Determine the domain of each:

$$f(x) = \frac{3x}{x-4}$$

$$x \neq 4$$

$$d: (-\infty, 4) \cup (4, \infty)$$

$$f(x) = \frac{4}{(x-2)(x+3)}$$

$$x \neq 2 \text{ or } -3$$

$$d: (-\infty, -3) \cup (-3, 2) \cup (2, \infty)$$

*use interval notation

$$f(x) = \frac{6x}{x^2 - 81}$$

$$f(x) = \frac{5x^2}{x^2 + 9}$$

$$x^2 - 81 \neq 0$$

$$x^2 \neq 81$$

$$x \neq \pm 9$$

$$d: (-\infty, -9) \cup (-9, 9) \cup (9, \infty)$$

$$x^2 + 9 \neq 0$$

$$\sqrt{x^2} = \sqrt{-9}$$

$$x = \pm 3i$$

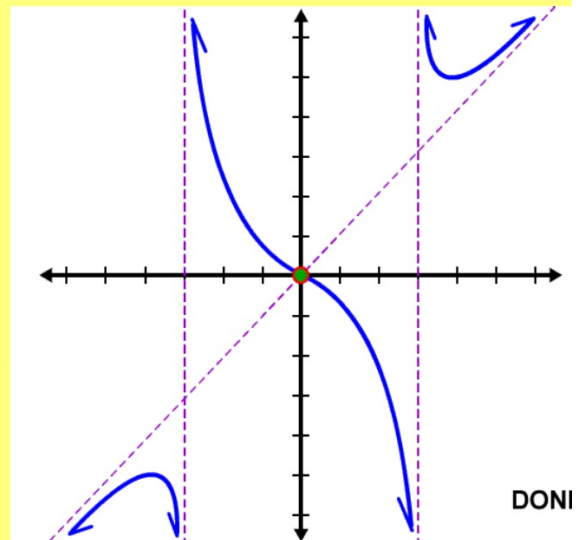
$$d: \mathbb{R}$$

Asymptotic Behavior

Asymptotes act like boundaries on a graph.

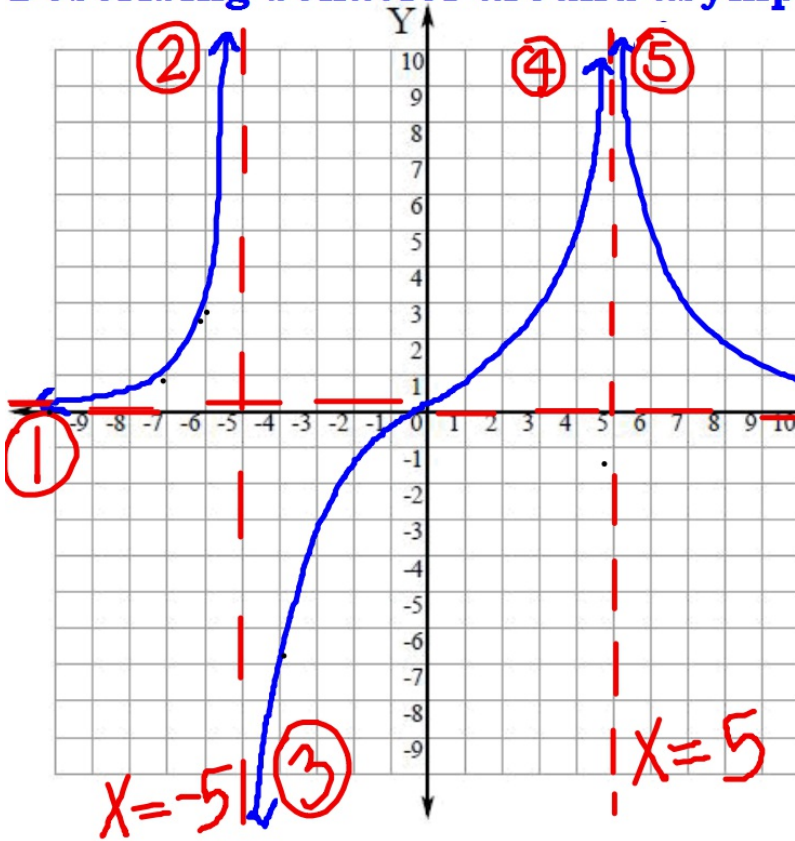
On both sides, the graph will approach either negative or positive infinity.

First, we'll just describe the graph's behavior. Later, we'll find the asymptotes and graph them.



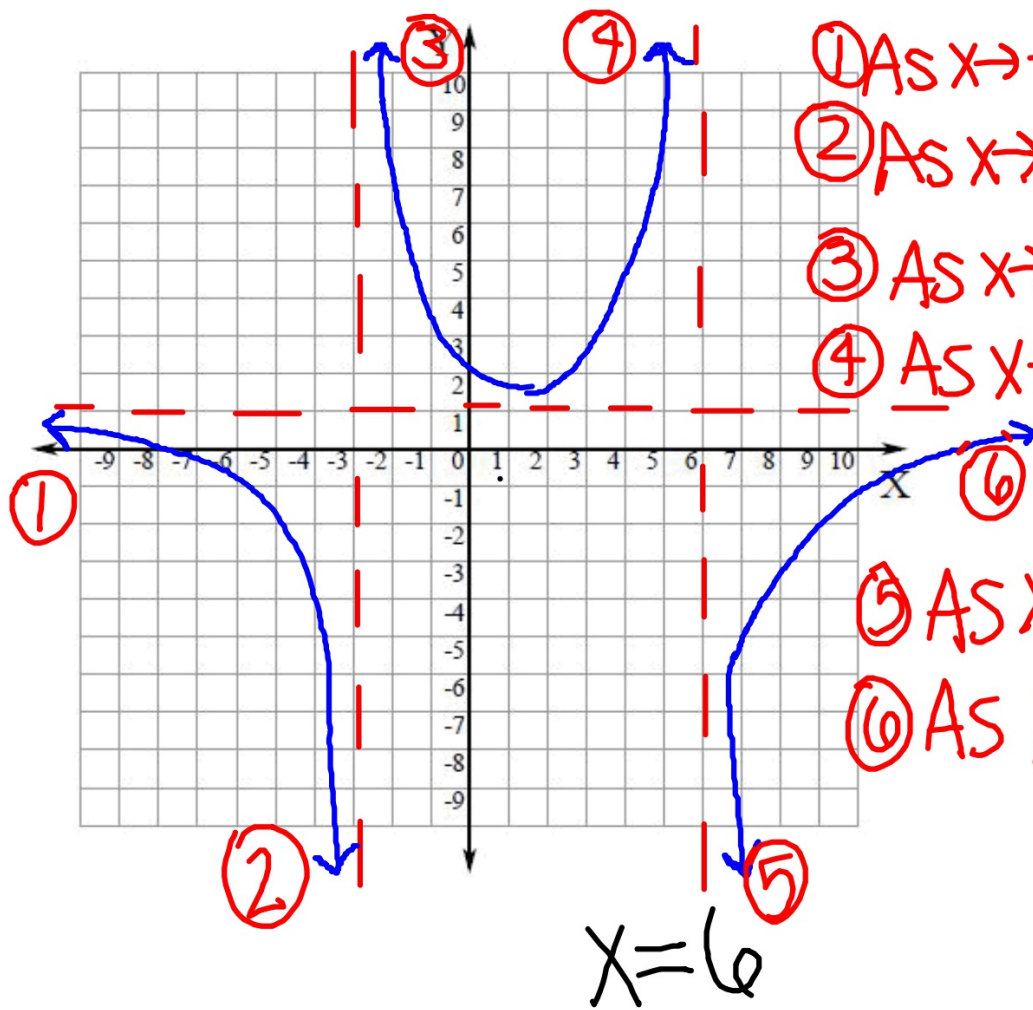
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Describing behavior around asymptotes-



1. As $x \rightarrow -\infty, y \rightarrow 0$
2. As $x \rightarrow -5^-, y \rightarrow \infty$
3. As $x \rightarrow -5^+, y \rightarrow -\infty$

4. As $x \rightarrow 5^-, y \rightarrow \infty$
5. As $x \rightarrow 5^+, y \rightarrow -\infty$
6. As $x \rightarrow \infty, y \rightarrow 0$.




- ① As $x \rightarrow -\infty, y \rightarrow 1$
- ② As $x \rightarrow -3^-, y \rightarrow -\infty$
- ③ As $x \rightarrow -3^+, y \rightarrow \infty$
- ④ As $x \rightarrow 6^-, y \rightarrow \infty$
- ⑤ As $x \rightarrow 6^+, y \rightarrow -\infty$
- ⑥ As $x \rightarrow \infty, y \rightarrow 1$

$$x=6$$

Suggested Practice
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1. $\{x \mid x \neq 4\}$ $\rightarrow (-\infty, 4) \cup (4, \infty)$
3. $\{x \mid x \neq 5, x \neq -4\}$ $(-\infty, -4) \cup (-4, 5) \cup (5, \infty)$
5. $\{x \mid x \neq 7, x \neq -7\}$ $(-\infty, -7) \cup (-7, 7) \cup (7, \infty)$
7. $\{x \mid x \in \mathbb{R}\}$ $(-\infty, \infty)$

15. ∞ 17. $-\infty$ 19. 1
16. $-\infty$ 18. ∞ 20. 1