

1. With given parameter $c \in \mathbb{R}$ find all solutions $x \in \mathbb{R}$ of the inequation

$$\frac{\log |x + c|}{c} \leq 2.$$

2. Which planar curve is determined by the equation

$$x^2 - 4y^2 = 2x?$$

3. Compute the limit

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \cdot \left(\sqrt{n^2 + 1} - \sqrt{n^2 - 1} \right)$$

or prove it does not exist.

Results.

1. Notice that $c \neq 0$. The inequation rearrangements depend on positivity/negativity of c .

(a) $c > 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} \log |x + c| &\leq 2c \\ e^{\log |x+c|} = |x + c| &\leq e^{2c} \\ -e^{2c} &\leq x + c \leq e^{2c}, \text{ i.e.} \end{aligned}$$

$$x \in \langle -e^{2c} - c, e^{2c} - c \rangle.$$

(b) $c < 0$.

$$\log |x + c| \geq 2c,$$

the rest is similar, $|x + c| \geq e^{2c}$ gives $x \in (-\infty, -e^{2c} - c) \cup \langle e^{2c} - c, +\infty \rangle$.

2. Since the sign of coefficient of x^2 is positive and that of y^2 is negative, let us try to rearrange the equation to

$$\frac{(x - x_0)^2}{a^2} - \frac{(y - y_0)^2}{b^2} = 1$$

– the equation of hyperbola.

$x^2 - 2x = x^2 - 2x + 1 - 1 = (x - 1)^2 - 1$, thus we get

$$(x - 1)^2 - 4y^2 = 1, \text{ i.e.}$$

$$(x - 1)^2 - \frac{y^2}{\frac{1}{4}} = 1.$$

This is an equation of hyperbola with center $[1, 0]$, open horizontally, with semiaxes $a = 1$ and $b = \frac{1}{2}$.

3. The straightforward computation gives $'\infty \cdot (\infty - \infty)'$ – an undefined expression, thus we have to rearrange the square roots first.

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{n^2 + 1} - \sqrt{n^2 - 1} &= \left(\sqrt{n^2 + 1} - \sqrt{n^2 - 1} \right) \cdot \frac{\sqrt{n^2 + 1} + \sqrt{n^2 - 1}}{\sqrt{n^2 + 1} + \sqrt{n^2 - 1}} \\ &= \frac{2}{\sqrt{n^2 + 1} + \sqrt{n^2 - 1}},\end{aligned}$$

consequently

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \cdot \left(\sqrt{n^2 + 1} - \sqrt{n^2 - 1} \right) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2n}{\sqrt{n^2 + 1} + \sqrt{n^2 - 1}} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2n}{n \cdot \left(\sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{n^2}} + \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{n^2}} \right)} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{\left(\sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{n^2}} + \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{n^2}} \right)}.\end{aligned}$$

Now, $\frac{1}{n^2} \rightarrow 0$, and arithmetics of limits applies:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \cdot \left(\sqrt{n^2 + 1} - \sqrt{n^2 - 1} \right) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{1} + \sqrt{1}} = 2.$$