

$$\text{e) } \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(-2x^3 + 1 - \frac{5}{x} + \frac{12}{x^4} \right)$$

Solution: This limit is $-\infty$ since the first term approaches negative infinity, the second term approaches 1 and the other two terms approach zero as x approaches infinity. Using mathematical notation,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(-2x^3 + 1 - \frac{5}{x} + \frac{12}{x^4} \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (-2x^3) + \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} 1 + \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(-\frac{5}{x} \right) + \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{12}{x^4} \right) = -\infty + 1 + 0 + 0 = -\infty$$