

§ 3.6 RATIONAL FUNCTIONS

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1.  $\infty, -\infty$

2. 2

3. -1, 2

4.  $r(0) = \frac{-2}{-6} = \boxed{\frac{1}{3}}$

5. -2, 3

6.  $r(x) = \frac{x^2 - x - 2}{x^2 - x - 6} \rightarrow \boxed{1}$   
AS  $x \rightarrow \pm\infty$

7.  $r(x) = \frac{x^2 + x}{(x+1)(2x-4)} = \frac{x(x+1)}{2(x+1)(x-2)}$

(a) FALSE (b) TRUE (c) FALSE (d) TRUE

8. TRUE

9.  $r(x) = \frac{x}{x-2}$

(b)  $y \rightarrow -\infty$  AS  $x \rightarrow 2^-$

$y \rightarrow \infty$  AS  $x \rightarrow 2^+$

$y \rightarrow 1$  AS  $x \rightarrow \infty$

$y \rightarrow 1$  AS  $x \rightarrow -\infty$

(c)  $y = 1$

<b>Table 1</b>	
<b>x</b>	<b>r(x)</b>
1.5	-3
1.9	-19
1.99	-199
1.999	-1999

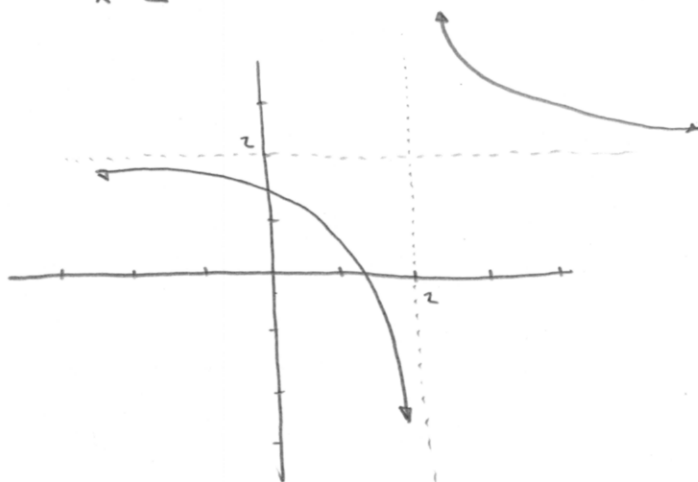
<b>Table 2</b>	
<b>x</b>	<b>r(x)</b>
2.5	5
2.1	21
2.01	201
2.001	2001

<b>Table 3</b>	
<b>x</b>	<b>r(x)</b>
10	1.25
50	1.04166667
100	1.02040816
1000	1.00200401

<b>Table 4</b>	
<b>x</b>	<b>r(x)</b>
-10	0.833333333
-50	0.96153846
-100	0.98039216
-1000	0.99800399

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{17.} \quad t(x) &= \frac{2x-3}{x-2} = \frac{2x-4+1}{x-2} = \frac{2(x-2)}{x-2} + \frac{1}{x-2} \\ &= 2 + \frac{1}{x-2} \end{aligned}$$

$y = 2 + \frac{1}{x-2}$  IS TRANSFORMED  $y = \frac{1}{x}$ , 2 RIGHT & 2 UP



$$\underline{29.} \quad \begin{aligned} \text{x-intercepts: } & -1, 1 \\ \text{y-intercept: } & \approx \frac{1}{4} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{VERTICAL ASYMPTOTES: } & x = -2, x = 2 \\ \text{HORIZONTAL ASYMPTOTE: } & y = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{30.} \quad \begin{aligned} \text{x-intercepts: } & -2, 2 \\ \text{y-intercept: } & -6 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{VERTICAL ASYMPTOTES: } & \text{NONE} \\ \text{HORIZONTAL ASYMPTOTE: } & y = 2. \end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{35.} \quad s(x) = \frac{6x^2 + 1}{2x^2 + x - 1} = \frac{6x^2 + 1}{(2x-1)(x+1)}$$

Top & Bottom Both DEGREE 2: HORIZONTAL ASYMPTOTE  $y = \frac{6}{2} = 3$

Denominator:  $(2x-1)(x+1) = 0 \rightarrow x = \frac{1}{2}, x = -1$  VERTICAL ASYMPTOTES

45. 
$$r(x) = \frac{3x^2 - 12x + 13}{x^2 - 4x + 4}$$

x-intercept(s):  $3x^2 - 12x + 13 = 0$

$$x = \frac{12 \pm \sqrt{12^2 - 4(3)(13)}}{2(3)} \rightarrow \text{NO SOLNS}$$

∴ NONE

y-intercept:  $r(0) = \frac{13}{4}$

VERTICAL ASYMPTOTE:  $x^2 - 4x + 4 = 0$

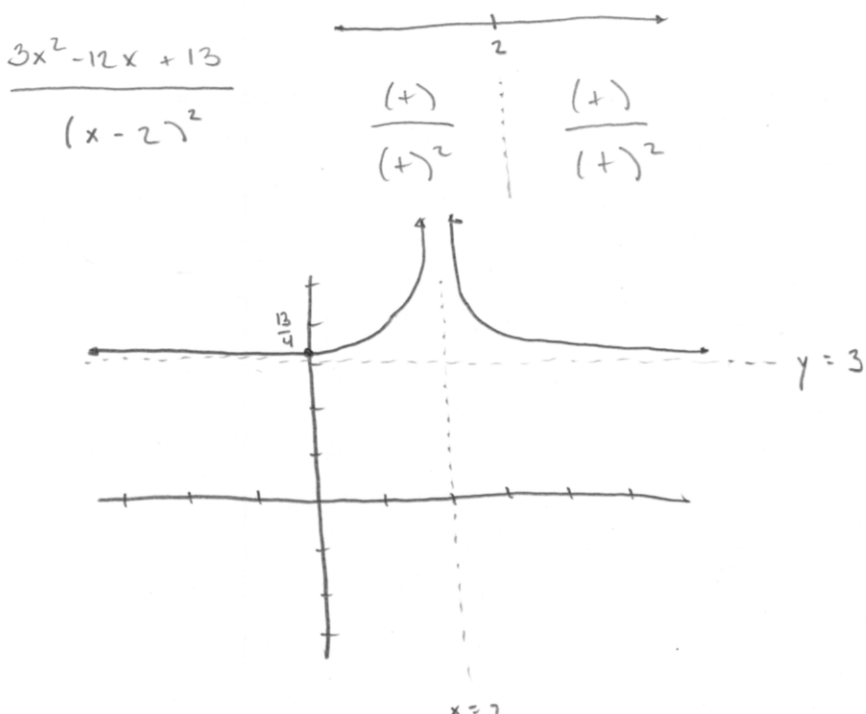
$$(x-2)^2 = 0 \quad \underline{x = 2}$$

HORIZONTAL ASYMPTOTE:

$$r(x) = \frac{3x^2 - 12x + 13}{x^2 - 4x + 4} \rightarrow 3 \text{ AS } x \rightarrow \pm \infty$$

SAME DEGREE

y = 3



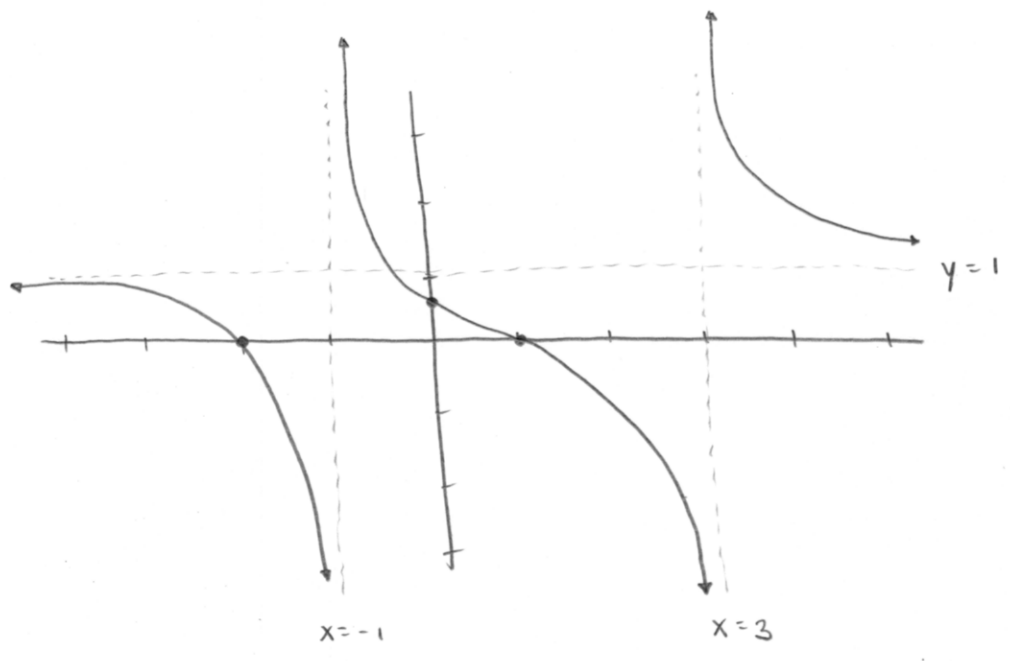
53.  $r(x) = \frac{(x-1)(x+2)}{(x+1)(x-3)}$   $\rightarrow$  x-int: -2, 1  
 $\rightarrow$  vertical asymptotes:  $x = -1, x = 3$

y-int:  $r(0) = \frac{(-1)(2)}{(1)(-3)} = \frac{-2}{-3} = \frac{2}{3}$

$r(x) = \frac{x^2 + x - 2}{x^2 - 2x - 3}$   $\rightarrow$  1 as  $x \rightarrow \pm\infty$ .

Horizontal asymptote:  $y = 1$

	$\longleftarrow$ $\xrightarrow$				
	-2	-	1	3	
$\frac{(x-1)(x+2)}{(x+1)(x-3)}$	$\frac{(-)(-)}{(-)(-)}$	$\frac{(-)(+)}{(-)(-)}$	$\frac{(-)(+)}{(+)(-)}$	$\frac{(+)(+)}{(+)(-)}$	$\frac{(+)(+)}{(+)(+)}$
	+	-	+	-	+

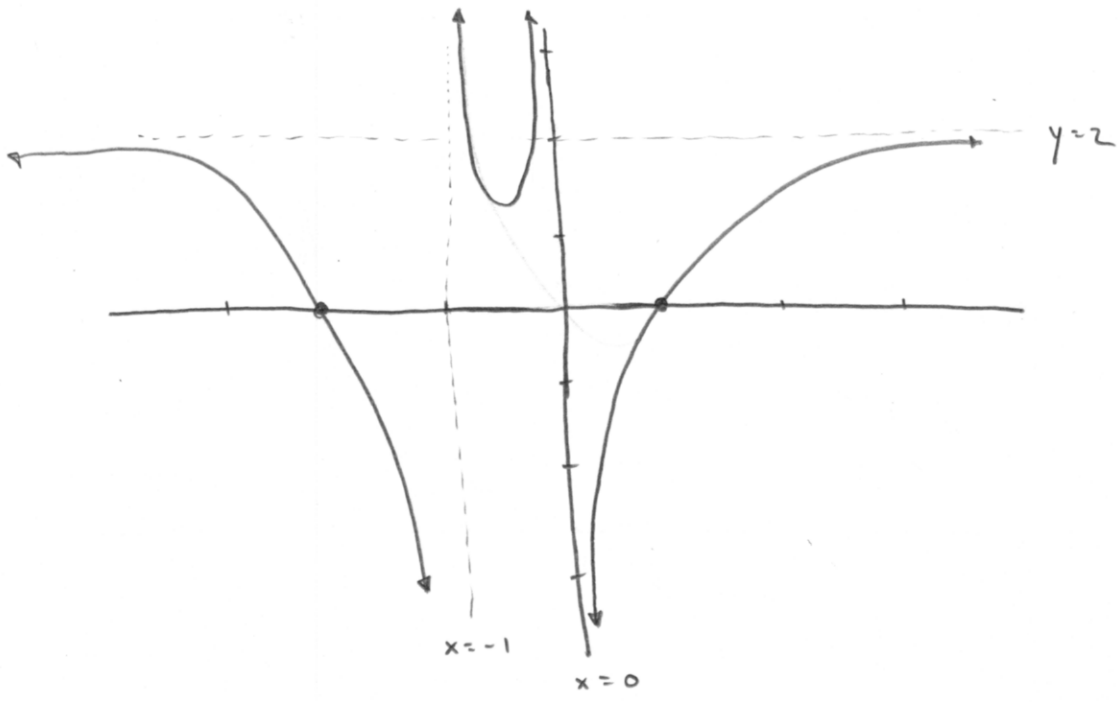
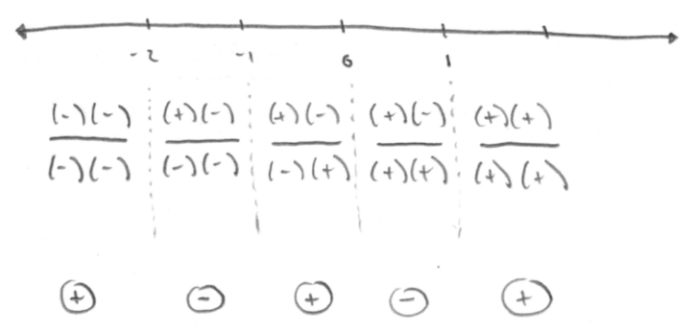


55.  $f(x) = \frac{2x^2 + 2x - 4}{x^2 + x} = \frac{2(x+2)(x-1)}{x(x+1)}$  → x-INT: -2, 1  
 → VERTICAL ASYMPTOTES:

y-INT:  $f(0) = \text{UNDEFINED (NONE)}$   $x=0, x=-1$

HORIZONTAL ASYMPTOTE  $y=2$  (RATIO OF LEAD COEFF OF TOP & BOTTOM, SINCE TOP & BOTTOM HAVE SAME DEGREE)

$$\frac{2(x+2)(x-1)}{x(x+1)}$$



$$\underline{57.} \quad r(x) = \frac{x^2 - 2x + 1}{x^3 - 3x^2} = \frac{(x-1)^2}{x^2(x-3)}$$

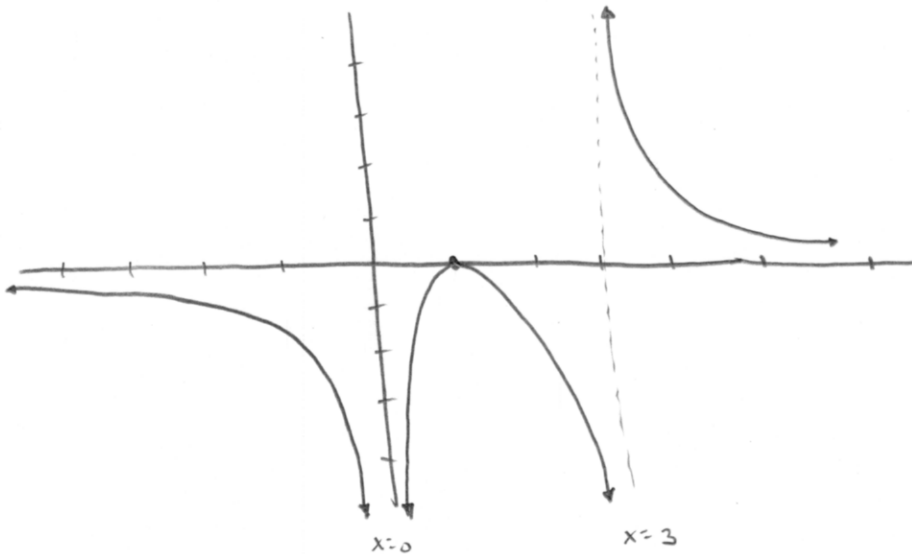
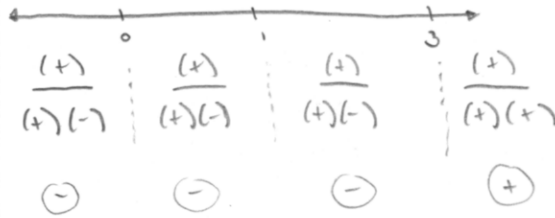
x-int: 1

y-int: none

HOR. ASYMPTOTE:  $y=0$  (DEGREE BOTTOM > DEGREE TOP)

VERT. ASYMPTOTE:  $x=0, x=3$

$$\frac{(x-1)^2}{x^2(x-3)}$$



$$\underline{63.} \quad r(x) = \frac{x^2 + 4x - 5}{x^2 + x - 2} = \frac{(x+5)(x-1)}{(x+2)(x-1)} = \frac{x+5}{x+2} \quad \text{UNLESS } x=1$$

WHERE  $r$  IS UNDEFINED

Note:  $\frac{x+5}{x+2} = \frac{x+2+3}{x+2} = \frac{x+2}{x+2} + \frac{3}{x+2} = 1 + \frac{3}{x+2}$

