

- Online office hour on Sunday 11/12 at 6:30 PM
(must end before 8 PM)
- Offline HW due Tuesday 11/14.

$$f(x) = \frac{x-3}{x^2-9}$$

1) Domain: $x^2 - 9 \neq 0$
 $x^2 \neq 9$
 $x \neq \pm\sqrt{9}$
 $x \neq \pm 3$

$$\{x \mid x \neq 3 \text{ and } x \neq -3\}$$

2) vertic. asympt: $\frac{x-3}{x^2-9} = \frac{\cancel{x-3}}{(\cancel{x-3})(x+3)} = \frac{1}{x+3}$

$$x+3=0$$

$$\boxed{x=-3}$$

there is a hole at
 $x=3$

$$f(x) = \frac{(x-3)}{(x-3)(x^2-9)}$$

Dom: $x-3 \neq 0$ $x^2-9 \neq 0$
 $x \neq 3$ $x \neq \pm 3$

$$\{x \mid x \neq \pm 3\}$$

$$\text{vert. asymp: } \frac{\cancel{x-3}}{(\cancel{x-3})(x^2-9)} = \frac{1}{x^2-9}$$

$$x^2-9=0$$

$$x = \pm 3$$

$$\text{vert. asymp: } \boxed{x=3, x=-3}$$

$$\text{hor. asymp: } |<3 \Rightarrow \boxed{y=0}$$

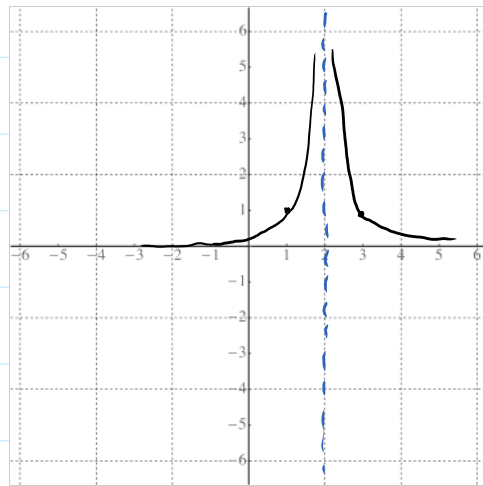
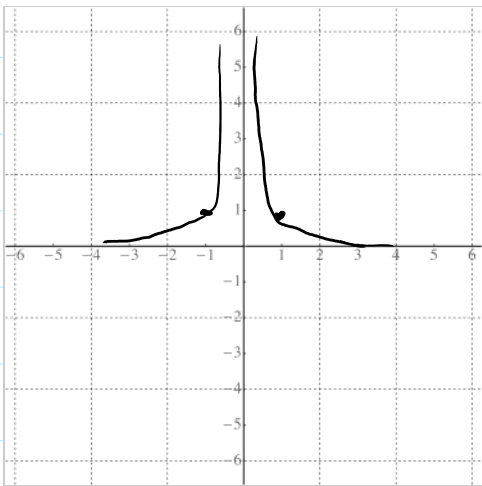
Ex: Graph $\frac{1}{(x-2)^2} + 1$ from $\frac{1}{x^2}$ using transformations.

$$\frac{1}{x^2}$$



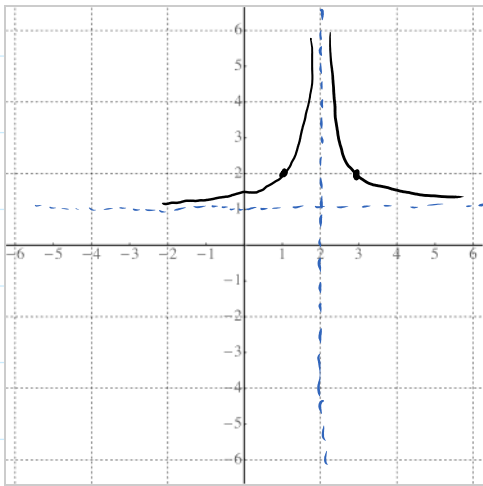
$$\frac{1}{(x-2)^2}$$

hor. shift
right by 2



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

vert. shift
up by 1



hor. as: $y=1$
 vert. as: $x=2$

Graphing a rational function

Find:

$$f(x) = \frac{p(x)}{q(x)}$$

- 1) Domain
- 2) y-intercept (set $x=0$)
- 3) x-intercept (set $p(x)=0$)
- 4) vertical asymptotes (simplify & $q(x)=0$)
- 5) horizontal asymptotes
- 6) symmetry (odd: $f(-x) = -f(x)$
 even: $f(-x) = f(x)$)
- 7) sign chart
- 8) plot the function.

Plot: $f(x) = \frac{2x-1}{x-1}$

Domain: $x-1 \neq 0$
 $x \neq 1$

$$\boxed{\{x \mid x \neq 1\}}$$

y-int: $f(0) = \frac{0-1}{0-1} = 1$

$$\boxed{(0, 1)}$$

y-int: $f(0) = \frac{1}{0-1} = -1$ $\boxed{(0, -1)}$

x-int: $2x-1=0$
 $2x=1$
 $x=\frac{1}{2}$ $\boxed{(\frac{1}{2}, 0)}$

vert. asy: $x-1=0$
 $\boxed{x=1}$

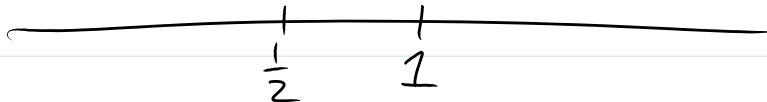
hor. asy: $\frac{2x-1}{x-1}$ degrees are the same (1)

$y = \frac{2}{1} \rightarrow \boxed{y=2}$

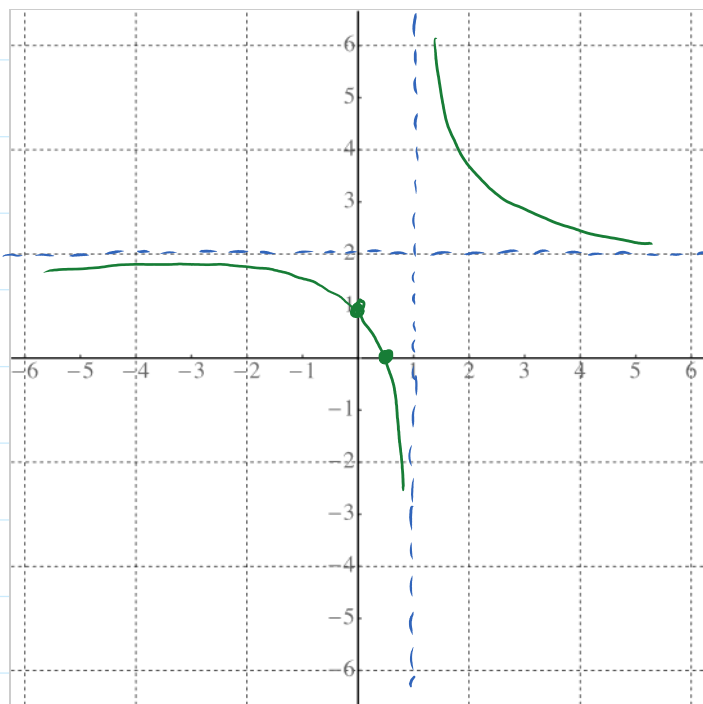
sym: $f(-x) = \frac{-2x-1}{-x-1} = \frac{-(2x+1)}{-(x+1)} = \frac{2x+1}{x+1}$

$\boxed{\text{neither}}$ $f(x)$ is not symmetric

sign chart:



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



Graph: $\frac{3x^2}{x^2-4}$

Dom: $x^2 - 4 \neq 0$

$x^2 \neq 4$

$x \neq \pm 2$

$\{x \mid x \neq \pm 2\}$

y-int: $f(0) = \frac{0}{0-4} = 0$ $(0, 0)$

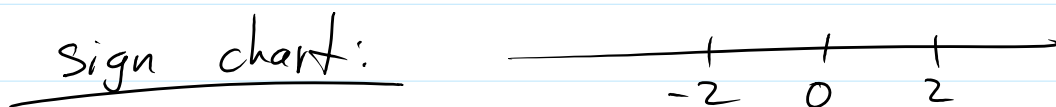
x-int: $3x^2 = 0$ $\boxed{(0,0)}$
 $x = 0$

hor. asy: $y = \frac{3}{1} \rightarrow \boxed{y=3}$

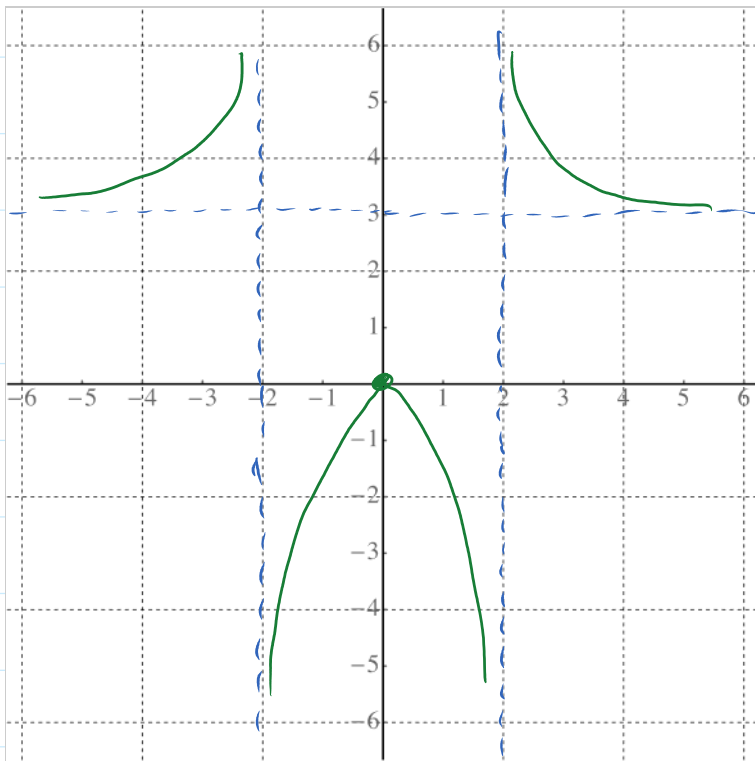
vert. asy: $x^2 - 4 = 0$ $\boxed{x = \pm 2}$
 $x^2 = 4$

Sym: $f(-x) = \frac{3(-x)^2}{(-x)^2 - 4} = \frac{3x^2}{x^2 - 4} = f(x)$

f is $\boxed{\text{even}}$



	$(-\infty, -2)$	$(-2, 0)$	$(0, 2)$	$(2, \infty)$
pt	-3	-1	1	3
$3x^2$	+	+	+	+
$x^2 - 4$	+	-	-	+
	+	-	-	+



Graph: $f(x) = \frac{-x^3 + 3x^2}{x^2 - 9}$

Dom: $x^2 - 9 \neq 0$
 $x^2 \neq 9$
 $x \neq \pm 3$

$$\boxed{\{x \mid x \neq \pm 3\}}$$

y-int $f(0) = \frac{0+0}{0-9} = 0$ $\boxed{(0, 0)}$

x-int: $-x^3 + 3x^2 = 0$
 $-x^2(x-3) = 0$

$$-x^2 = 0$$

$$x = 0$$

$$\boxed{(0, 0)}$$

$$x - 3 = 0$$

$$x = 3$$

~~not in domain!~~

$(0,0)$

not in domain!

$$f(x) = \frac{-x^3 + 3x^2}{x^2 - 9} = \frac{-x^2(x-3)}{(x-3)(x+3)} = \frac{-x^2}{x+3}$$

hor. asy: num > den \rightarrow no hor. asymp.

vert. asy: $x+3=0$

$x = -3$

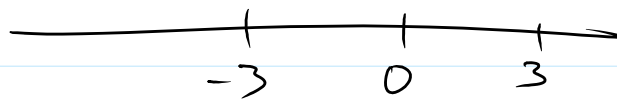
$x=3$ is a hole

Sym:

$$f(-x) = \frac{-(-x)^3 + 3(-x)^2}{(-x)^2 - 9} = \frac{+x^3 + 3x^2}{x^2 - 9}$$
$$= \frac{-(-x^3 - 3x^2)}{x^2 - 9} = - \frac{-x^3 - 3x^2}{x^2 - 9}$$

neither

Sign chart



	$(-\infty, -3)$	$(-3, 0)$	$(0, 3)$	$(3, \infty)$
pt	-4	-1	1	4
$-x^2$	-	-	-	-
$x+3$	-	+	+	+
$f(x)$	+	-	-	-

