

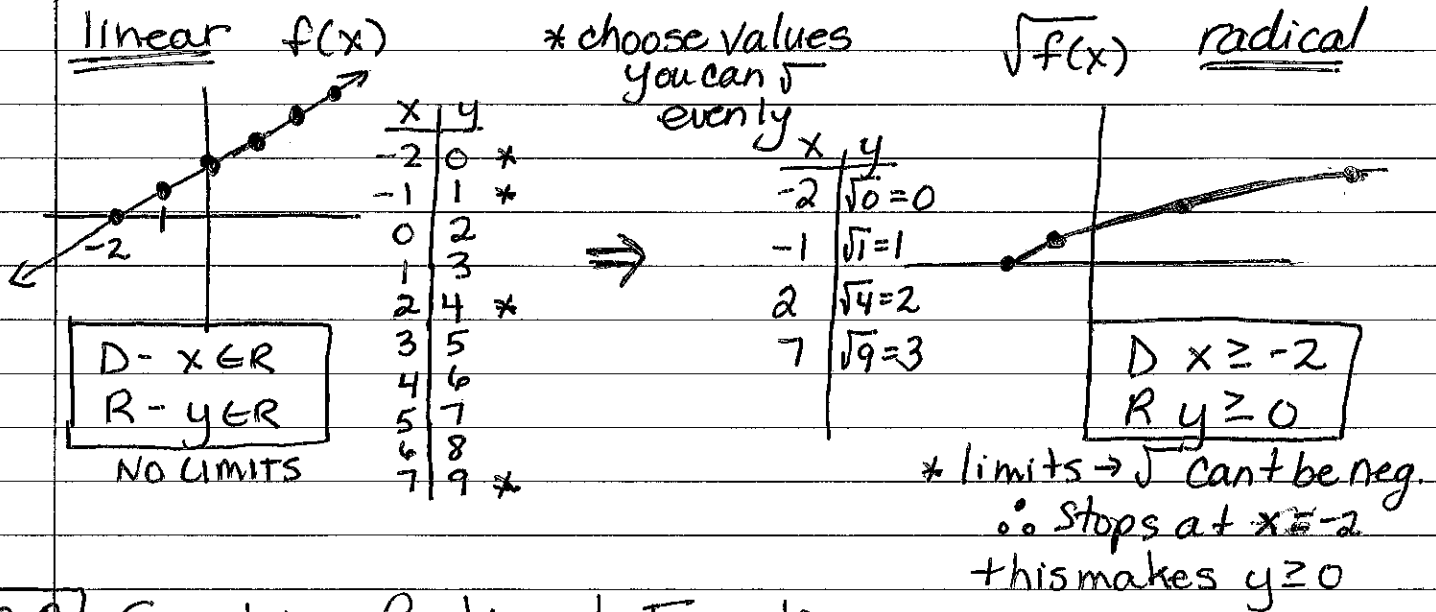
# CHAPTER 2: MATH 12PC NOTES

- 2.1 (D) Domain - x values allowed  
(R) Range - y values allowed

\* look under  $\sqrt{\quad}$  in

$\sqrt{\quad}$  cannot be negative so  $x \geq 0 \therefore y \geq 0$   
 $\frac{1}{x}$  ← denominator cannot be zero

To sketch  $\sqrt{f(x)}$  use original graph ( $f(x)$ )  
+  $\sqrt{y}$



## 2.2 Graphing Rational Functions:

- i) Vertical asymptotes: when x value makes denominator = 0

ex  $\frac{1}{x} \Rightarrow$  asymptote  $x = 0$

$\frac{1}{x-2} \Rightarrow$  asymptote  $x = 2$

$\frac{1}{(x)(x+1)(x-1)} \Rightarrow$  asymptotes at  $x = 0, -1, +1$

ii) Holes → a vertical asymptote changes to a hole when it can be crossed off when simplifying

\* remember to note both x & y values of hole when stating Domain & Range.

ex 1:  $y = \frac{x^2 - 1}{x + 1} \quad * x \neq -1$

simplify

$$y = \frac{(x+1)(x-1)}{(x+1)} = x-1$$

still cannot be  $= -1$  even though there is no longer a denominator because in original equation it was there.

Domain:  $x \neq -1$

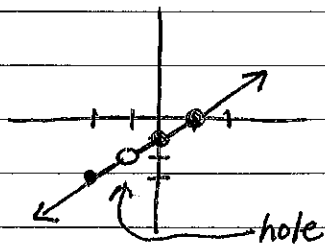
Range → since  $x \neq -1$

to find limits on range → plug into simplified equation  $y = x - 1$

$$y = (-1) - 1 = -2$$

so...  $y \neq -2$

To graph use the simplified equation



x	y
-2	-3
0	-1
1	0

\* don't forget

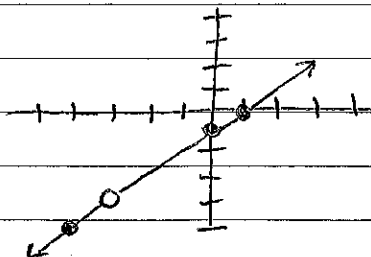
$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x \neq -1 \\ y \neq -2 \end{array} \right\} \text{hole}$$

ex 2  $y = \frac{x^2 + 2x - 3}{x + 3} = \frac{(x+3)(x-1)}{x+3} = x-1$

① D:  $x \neq -3$

③ R ⇒  $(-3) - 1$   
 $y \neq -4$

x	y
-4	-5
0	-1
1	0



### iii) horizontal asymptotes

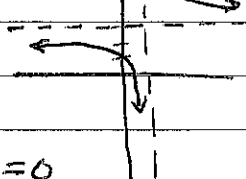
ex 1  $\frac{3x}{x-1}$  (same degree of x on top & bottom)  
 - cannot factor  
vertical asymptote  $x=1$

horizontal asymptote  $\Rightarrow$  since  $x \neq 1$

Rule #1: same degree  
 $\therefore$  co-efficients.

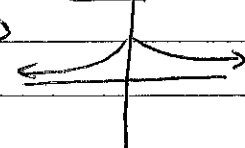
$\frac{3x}{x-1} = \frac{3(1)}{(1)-1} \leftarrow y$  will never be 3 graph

Domain:  $x \neq 1$  Range:  $y \neq 3$



ex 2  $\frac{6}{x^2+2}$   $\leftarrow$  no variable on top so can never = 0  
 $\therefore$  horizontal asymptote  $y=0$   
 $\leftarrow$  cant make denominator = 0  $\therefore$  no vertical asymptote

D:  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  graph - also cant make  $y =$  negative asymptote  
 R:  $y > 0$   $\therefore y > 0$

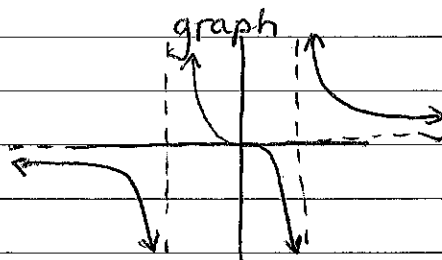


Rule #2:  
 degree higher by 1  
 in denominator  
 horiz. asymptote  $y=0$

ex 3  $\frac{x}{x^2-4}$   $\leftarrow$  degree higher by 1 in denominator  
horizontal asymptote  $y=0$

Factor to find vertical asymptotes  $\frac{x}{(x-2)(x+2)}$   $x \neq 2, -2$

D:  $x \neq 2, -2$   
 R:  $y \neq 0$



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iv) Oblique asymptote: (this is why we learned (degree higher on top) long division! → remember a fraction is a division statement)

ex 1

$$y = \frac{x^2}{x+1}$$

←  $x \neq -1$  vert asympt Statement)

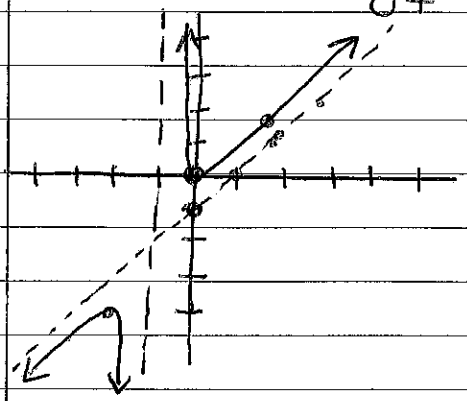
To find asymptotes do long division

$$\begin{array}{r} x-1 \\ x+1 \overline{) x^2 + 0x + 0} \\ \underline{-x^2 + x} \phantom{0} \\ -x + 0 \\ \underline{- -x - 1} \\ 1 \end{array}$$

← equation of oblique asymptote.

← too small to worry about

To graph → put in asymptotes & do a table of values on all sides of asymptotes.



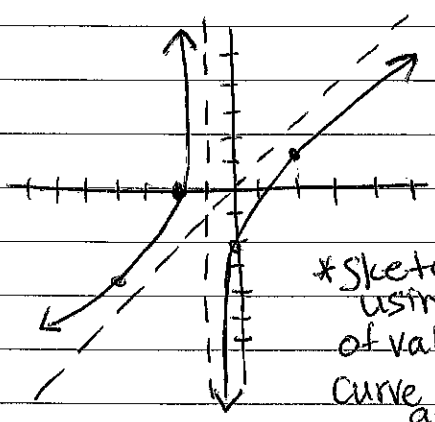
x	y
0	0
1	1/2
2	4/3
-2	-4

D  $x \neq -1$   
R  $y \neq x - 1$

ex 2

$$y = \frac{x^2 + x - 2}{x+1}$$

Factor 1st ←  
(x+2)(x-1)  
x+1  
\* can't reduce



\* sketch using table of values & curve around asymptotes

①  $x \neq -1$

$$\begin{array}{r} x+0 \\ x+1 \overline{) x^2 + x - 2} \\ \underline{-x + x} \phantom{-2} \\ 0x - 2 \end{array}$$

oblique asymptote  $y = x$

③

x	y
0	-2
2	0
-2	-4
-4	-4

## [2.4] Sketching Graphs of Rational Functions

To sketch: FACTOR FIRST then find the following:

- ① vertical asymptotes
- ② holes
- ③ horizontal asymptotes
- ④ oblique asymptotes
- ⑤ Simplified version of the function.
- ⑥ x intercepts ( $y=0$ ) y intercepts ( $x=0$ )

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

vertical asymptote at  $x=-1$

hole at  $x=1 \rightarrow \frac{1}{(1+1)} = \frac{1}{2}$   
hole  $(1, \frac{1}{2})$

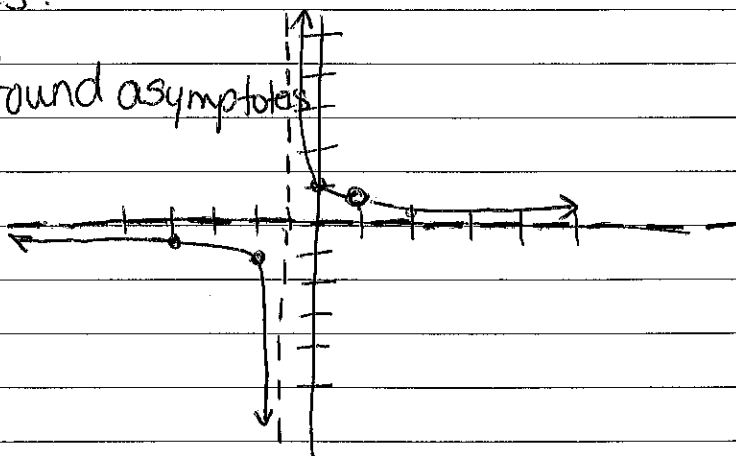
horizontal asymptote: since degree is 1 more in denominator  
 $y=0$

To graph

- a) sketch in all asymptotes &
- b) do a table of values on both sides of asymptotes.
- c) add in holes
- d) connect & curve around asymptotes

x	y
-4	$-\frac{1}{3}$
-2	-1
0	1 (y intercept)
2	$\frac{1}{3}$

hole at  $(1, \frac{1}{2})$



$$2x^2 \quad \boxed{\frac{2x^2 + 5x - 12}{x + 2}} \Rightarrow \frac{(x + 4)(2x - 3)}{x + 2}$$

\* degree is larger in numerator  $\therefore$  oblique asymptote

\* can't simplify so no hole  
vertical asymptote  $x = -2$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2x + 1 \\ x + 2 \overline{) 2x^2 + 5x - 12} \\ \underline{-2x^2 + 4x} \phantom{-12} \\ \phantom{-2x^2} x - 12 \\ \phantom{-2x^2} \underline{-x + 2} \\ \phantom{-2x^2} \phantom{-x} -14 \end{array}$$

oblique  $\Rightarrow y = 2x + 1$

x intercepts (what would make numerator = 0)

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

y intercept (make  $x = 0$ )

- ① draw all asymptotes
- ② plot x & y intercepts
- ③ curve around asymptotes & connect dots,

