

Ex 1 graph the function  $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 4}{x^2 - 9}$   
 (add info to pic as you go)

x/y-intercepts the y-int,  $y = f(0) = \frac{4}{9}$

The x-int occurs when  $f(x) = 0$  ie when  $x^2 - 4 = 0$   
 Thus  $x = \pm 2$

horizontal asymptotes

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \pm \infty} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \pm \infty} \frac{x^2 - 4}{x^2 - 9} = 1$$

Thus hor. asymp. @  $y = 1$  in both  $+\infty$  and  $-\infty$  directions

slanted asymptotes: none  $\uparrow$

vertical asymptote:  $f(x)$  undefined when  $x = \pm 3$ , to see what happens when we approach

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} \frac{x^2 - 4}{x^2 - 9} = \infty$$

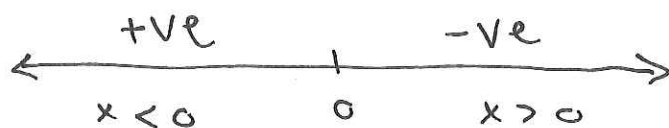
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -3^+} \frac{x^2 - 4}{x^2 - 9} = -\infty$$

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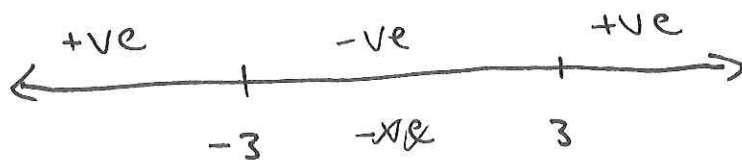
1<sup>st</sup> derivative  $f'(x) = -\frac{10x}{(x^2-9)^2}$

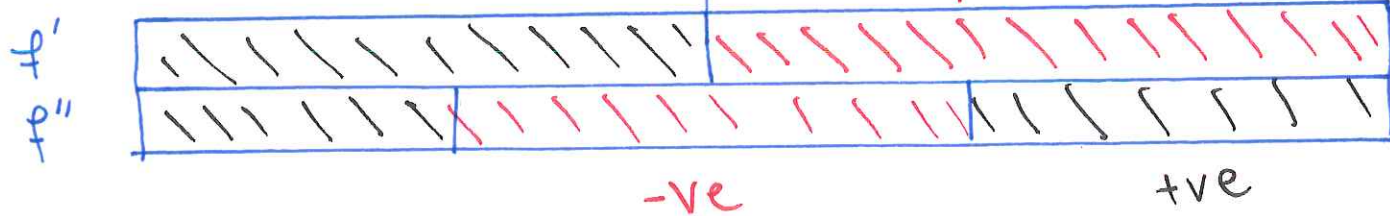
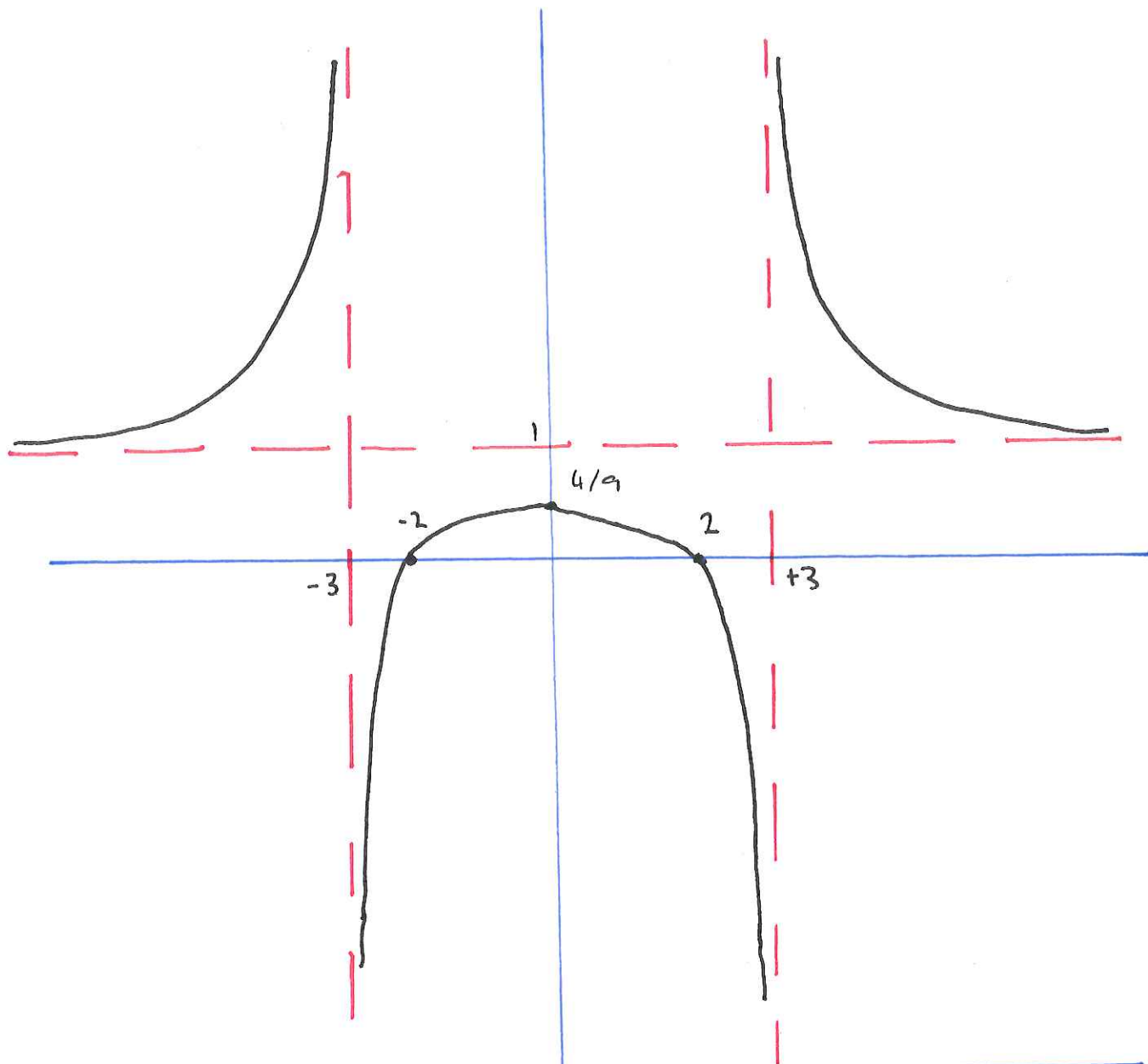
If we want to know where  $f'$  is +ve/-ve only need to look at numerator, (denominator is always positive):



2<sup>nd</sup> derivative  $f''(x) = \frac{30(x^2+3)}{(x^2-9)^3}$

The numerator is always +ve, but the denominator changes sign:





Ex 2 graph  $f(x) = \frac{2x^2 - 3x + 2}{x - 1}$

where it is given that

$$f'(x) = \frac{2x^2 - 3x + 1}{(x-1)^2} \quad f''(x) = \frac{2}{(x-1)^3}$$

x/y-int  $f(0) = -2$ , and  $f(x) = 0$  when

$2x^2 - 3x + 2 = 0 \leftarrow$  discriminant  $b^2 - 4ac = 9 - 4 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 < 0$   
so no solutions. Thus

y-int at  $y = -2$ , no x-ints.

horizontal asymp.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} f(x) = \infty$  so no

hor. asymp.

vertical asymp. Possible when  $x = 1$ .

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} \frac{2x^2 - 3x + 2}{x - 1} = \infty, \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{2x^2 - 3x + 2}{x - 1} = -\infty$$

slanted asymp. Reminder, we have a slanted asymptote if

$$m := \lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} f'(x) \text{ is const.}$$

then if

$$b := \lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} (f(x) - mx)$$

the slanted asymp. is  $y = mx + b$ .

In the  $+\infty$  direction

$$m = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x^2 - 4x - 1}{(x-1)^2} = 2 \quad (\text{by L'Hop})$$

$$b = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x^2 - 3x + 2}{x-1} - 2x$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x^2 - 3x + 2 - 2x(x-1)}{x-1}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-x + 2}{x-1} = -1 \quad (\text{by L'Hop})$$

Thus slanted asympt of  $y = 2x - 1$

In the  $-\infty$  direction: same calculation.

Alternatively: for this example we can see that

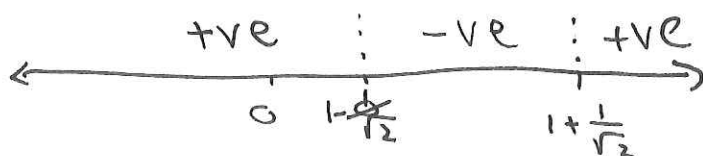
$$f(x) = \frac{2x^2 - 3x + 2}{x-1} = 2x - 1 + \frac{1}{x-1} \sim 2x - 1$$

when  $x \rightarrow \pm\infty$ .

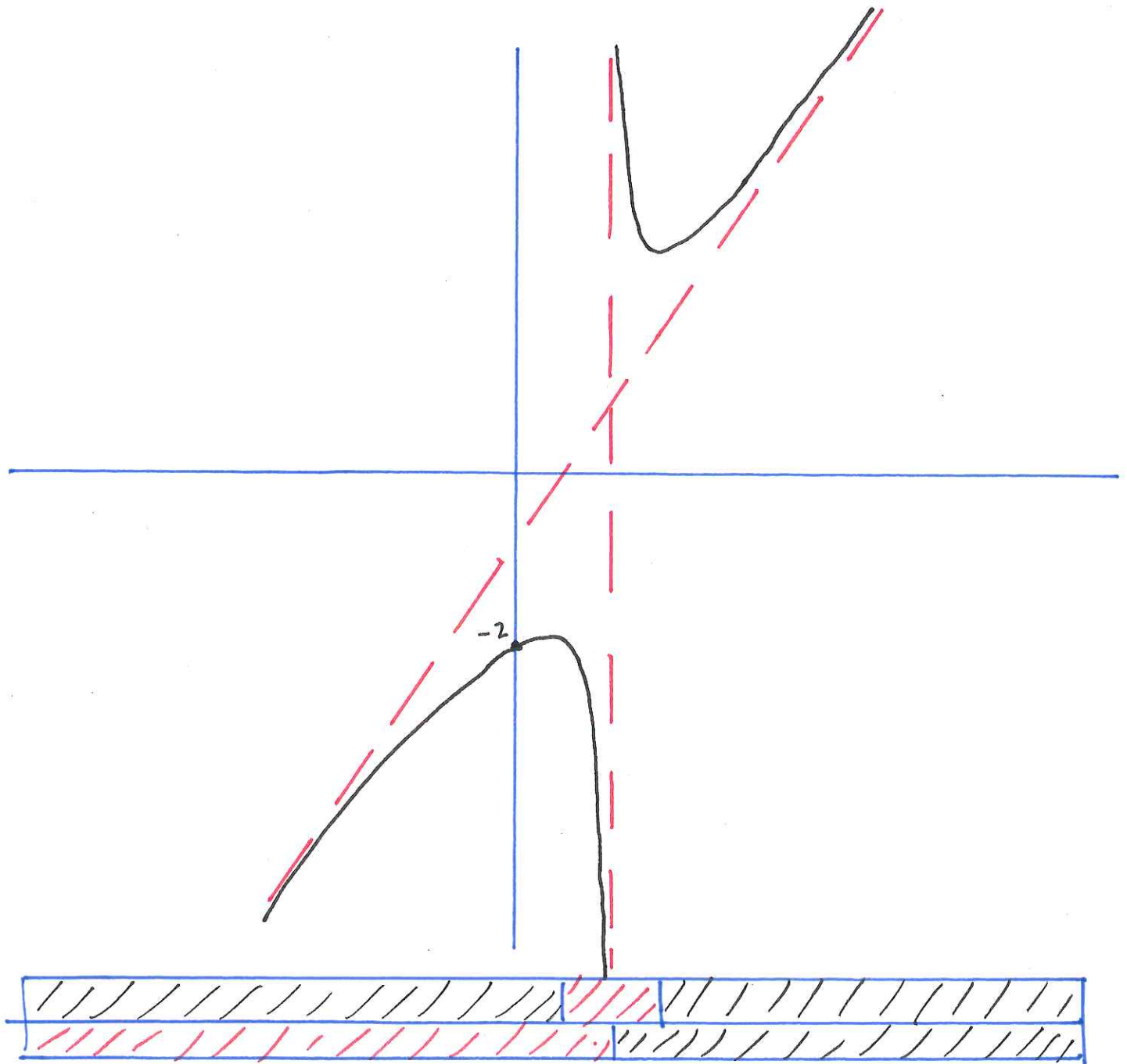
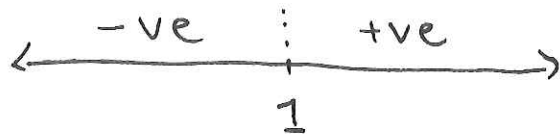
1<sup>st</sup> derivative denom. is always +ve.

$$2x^2 - 4x + 1 = 0 \quad \text{when } x = 1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \text{ and } 1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

~~The~~ Testing points



2nd derivative: numerator always positive





Ex (10. on problem set 2)

What point ~~on~~  $(x, y)$ , on the parabola  $y = x^2$  is closest to  $(16, \frac{1}{2})$ ?

Solution: The distance from  $(x, y)$  to  $(16, \frac{1}{2})$  is

$$d(x, y) = \sqrt{(x-16)^2 + (y - \frac{1}{2})^2}$$

We know that  $y = x^2$  so

$$d(x) = \sqrt{(x-16)^2 + (x^2 - \frac{1}{2})^2} \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{Domain} \\ (0, \infty) \end{array} \right)$$

This is the function we wish to minimize.

Step 1: find critical points

$$\begin{aligned} d'(x) &= \frac{(x-16) + 2x(x^2 - \frac{1}{2})}{\sqrt{(x-16)^2 + (x^2 - \frac{1}{2})^2}} \\ &= \frac{2x^3 - 16}{\sqrt{(x-16)^2 + (x^2 - \frac{1}{2})^2}} \end{aligned}$$

Note: denominator is always  $> 0$

So crit pts occur when  $2x^3 - 16 = 0$

i.e. when  $x^3 = 8$ ,  $\boxed{x = 2}$  ← only crit point.

Step 2 There are several ways to check this is a global ~~max~~<sup>min</sup>:

1. open interval method:

$$\cancel{d}(2) = \sqrt{14^2 + 3.75^2} \sim \sqrt{\cancel{210}} \sqrt{210}$$

$$L = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} d(x) = \sqrt{16^2 + \frac{1}{4}} \sim \sqrt{256}$$

$$M = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} d(x) = \infty$$

so 2 is the global min.

2. Notice, using 1<sup>st</sup> derivative test that  $x=2$  is a local ~~max~~ min. Since it is the only crit pt. it must be the global max.

~~Point~~ Point on  $y=x^2$  closest to  $(16, \frac{1}{2})$  is  $(2, 4)$ .



## Example

A campaign manager for the Democratic candidate running for the NH senate seat needs to decide how to spend \$10 mil. in TV and radio ~~ad~~ advertising money. The data analytics firm employed by the campaign has experimentally determined that in NH's 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> congressional districts, \$x mil spent would result in

$$R_1(x) = 1860 \ln(1+x)$$

$$R_2(x) = 790 \ln(1+x)$$

undecided voters switching to your candidate.

Q How much money should you spend in each district?

A We will spend all of the money so if we spend \$x mil in district 1, the total increase will be

$$R(x) = R_1(x) + R_2(10-x).$$

$$= 1860 \ln(1+x) + 790 \ln(1+10-x)$$

We want to maximise this function.

Note: domain =  $[0, 10]$ .

Find the critical points

$$R'(x) = \frac{1860}{1+x} - \frac{790}{1+10-x}$$

setting equal to zero:

$$(11-x)1860 = (1+x)790$$

$$19670 = 2650x$$

$$x = \frac{1967}{265} \sim 7.46$$

We have critical points at

$$x = 0, 10, \frac{1967}{265}$$

Using 1<sup>st</sup> der test:  $x=0, 10$  are minimums.

$$R''(x) = -\frac{1860}{(1+x)^2} - \frac{790}{(11-x)^2} < 0$$

So  $x = \frac{1976}{265}$  is a max!

Spend \$7.46 mil in district 1,  
\$2.54 mil in district 2.

$$\text{Max} = R(7.46) \sim 4970$$

$\sim 0.5\%$  of Registered voters.

Ex Express the limit

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{k\pi^2}{n^2} \sin\left(\frac{k\pi}{n}\right)$$

as a definite integral  $\int_0^\pi f(x) dx$

Solution We know that

$$\int_0^\pi f(x) dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \Delta x \sum_{k=1}^n f(0+k\Delta x)$$

where  $\Delta x = \frac{\pi-0}{n} = \frac{\pi}{n}$ , thus  $k\Delta x = \frac{k\pi}{n}$ , and

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{k\pi^2}{n^2} \sin\left(\frac{k\pi}{n}\right) = \underbrace{\frac{\pi}{n}}_{\Delta x} \sum_{k=1}^n \underbrace{\frac{k\pi}{n} \sin\left(\frac{k\pi}{n}\right)}_{\substack{k\Delta x \quad k\Delta x \\ = f(k\Delta x)}}$$

so we guess  $f(x) = x \sin x$ .

ans  $\int_0^\pi x \sin x dx$ .

Ex Express  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{k}{n^2 + nk}$  as a definite integral  $\int_1^2 f(x) dx$ .

Solution  $\int_1^2 f(x) dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n \Delta x f(x_k)$

where  $\Delta x = \frac{2-1}{n} = \frac{1}{n}$  and  $x_k = a + k\Delta x$   
 $= 1 + \frac{k}{n}$ .

Now

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{k}{n^2 + nk} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{n}}_{\Delta x} \sum_{k=1}^n \underbrace{\frac{k}{n+k}}_{f(x_k)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{so } f\left(1 + \frac{k}{n}\right) &= \frac{k}{n+k} = \frac{k/n}{1 + k/n} \\ &= \frac{1 + k/n - 1}{1 + \frac{k}{n}} \\ &= \frac{x_k - 1}{x_k} \end{aligned}$$

so  $f(x) = \frac{x-1}{x}$       ans:  $\int_1^2 \frac{x-1}{x} dx$ .