# **Solution** Section 2.1 – Functions and Graphs

#### Exercise

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 2+x & \text{if } x < -4 \\ -x & \text{if } -4 \le x \le 2 \\ 3x & \text{if } x > 2 \end{cases}$$
 **Find**:  $f(-5)$ ,  $f(-1)$ ,  $f(0)$ , and  $f(3)$ 

#### Solution

a) 
$$f(-5) = 2 - 5 = -3$$

**b**) 
$$f(-1) = -(-1) = 1$$

$$(c)$$
  $f(0) = -0 = 0$ 

*d*) 
$$f(3) = 3(3) = 9$$

#### Exercise

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -2x & \text{if } x < -3\\ 3x - 1 & \text{if } -3 \le x \le 2\\ -4x & \text{if } x > 2 \end{cases}$$
 **Find**:  $f(-5)$ ,  $f(-1)$ ,  $f(0)$ , and  $f(3)$ 

#### **Solution**

a) 
$$f(-5) = -2(-5) = 10$$

**b**) 
$$f(-1) = 3(-1) - 1 = -4$$

$$f(0) = 3(0) - 1 = -1$$

*d*) 
$$f(3) = -4(3) = -12$$

### Exercise

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^3 + 3 & \text{if } -2 \le x \le 0 \\ x + 3 & \text{if } 0 < x < 1 \end{cases}$$
 Find:  $f(-5)$ ,  $f(-1)$ ,  $f(0)$ , and  $f(3)$ 
$$4 + x - x^2 & \text{if } 1 \le x \le 3$$

a) 
$$f(-5) = doesn't exist$$

**b**) 
$$f(-1) = (-1)^3 + 3$$
  
= 2

c) 
$$f(0) = (0)^3 + 3$$

d) 
$$f(3) = 4 + (3) - (3)^2$$
  
= -2

$$h(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2 - 9}{x - 3} & \text{if } x \neq 3 \\ 6 & \text{if } x = 3 \end{cases}$$
 Find:  $h(5)$ ,  $h(0)$ , and  $h(3)$ 

#### **Solution**

a) 
$$h(5) = \frac{5^2 - 9}{5 - 3}$$
  
= 8

**b**) 
$$h(0) = \frac{0^2 - 9}{0 - 3}$$
  
= 3 |

c) 
$$h(3) = 6$$

#### Exercise

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 3x + 5 & if & x < 0 \\ 4x + 7 & if & x \ge 0 \end{cases}$$
 Find

$$b)$$
  $f(-2)$ 

$$c)$$
  $f(1)$ 

a) 
$$f(0)$$
 b)  $f(-2)$  c)  $f(1)$  d)  $f(3)+f(-3)$  e) Graph  $f(x)$ 

e) Graph 
$$f(x)$$

#### **Solution**

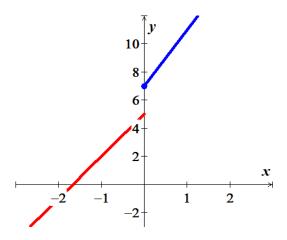
a) 
$$f(0) = 4(0) + 7$$
  
= 7

$$b) \quad f(-2) = 3(-2) + 5$$
$$= -1$$

c) 
$$f(1) = 4(1) + 7$$
  
= 11

d) 
$$f(3) + f(-3) = 4(3) + 7 + 3(-3) + 5$$
  
=  $12 + 7 - 9 + 5$   
=  $15$ 

e)



$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 6x - 1 & if & x < 0 \\ 7x + 3 & if & x \ge 0 \end{cases}$$
 Find

- a) f(0) b) f(-1) c) f(4) d) f(2)+f(-2) e) Graph f(x)

### **Solution**

a) 
$$f(0) = 7(0) + 3$$
  
= 3

$$b) \quad f(-2) = 6(-1) - 1$$

$$= -7$$

c) 
$$f(4) = 7(4) + 3$$
  
= 31

d) 
$$f(2) + f(-2) = 7(2) + 3 + 6(-2) - 1$$
  
=  $14 + 3 - 12 - 1$   
=  $4$ 

e) 6-*y*54321 -1 1

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x+1 & if & x \le 1 \\ 3x-2 & if & x > 1 \end{cases}$$
 Find

- a) f(0) b) f(2) c) f(-2) d) f(1)+f(-1) e) Graph f(x)

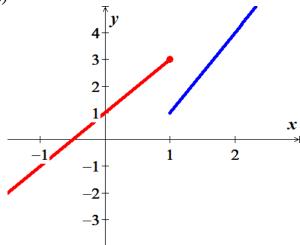
a) 
$$f(0) = 2(0) + 1$$
  
= 1

**b**) 
$$f(2) = 3(2) - 2$$
  
= 4

c) 
$$f(-2) = 2(-2) + 1$$
  
= -3 |

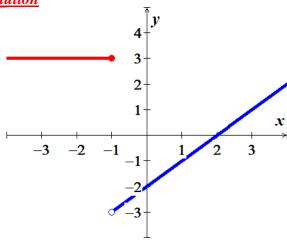
d) 
$$f(1)+f(-1)=(2(1)+1)+(2(-1)+1)$$
  
= 2+1-2+1  
= 2





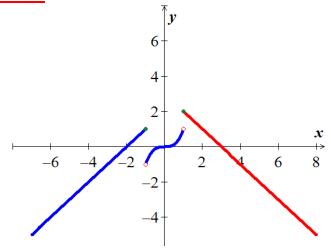
Graph the piecewise function defined by  $f(x) = \begin{cases} 3 & \text{if } x \le -1 \\ x - 2 & \text{if } x > -1 \end{cases}$ 

**Solution** 



## Exercise

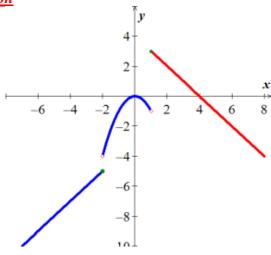
Sketch the graph  $f(x) = \begin{cases} x+2 & \text{if } x \le -1 \\ x^3 & \text{if } -1 < x < 1 \\ -x+3 & \text{if } x \ge 1 \end{cases}$ 



Sketch the graph 
$$f(x) =$$

$$\begin{cases}
x-3 & \text{if } x \le -2 \\
-x^2 & \text{if } -2 < x < 1 \\
-x+4 & \text{if } x \ge 1
\end{cases}$$

**Solution** 



### Exercise

Determine any *relative maximum* or *minimum* of the function, determine the intervals on which the function *increasing* or *decreasing*, and then find the *domain* and the *range*.

$$f(x) = x^2 - 2x + 3$$

## **Solution**

Relative Maximum: None

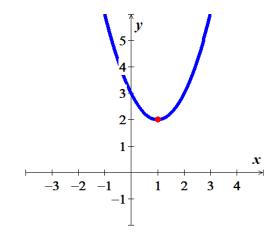
Minimum Point: (1, 2)

Increasing:  $(1, \infty)$ 

**Decreasing**:  $(-\infty, 1)$ 

Domain: R

Range:  $[2, \infty)$ 



Determine any *relative maximum* or *minimum* of the function, determine the intervals on which the function *increasing* or *decreasing*, and then find the *domain* and the *range*.

$$f(x) = -x^2 - 2x + 3$$

#### **Solution**

*Maximum Point*: (-1, 4)

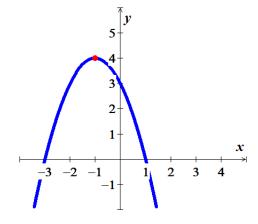
Relative Minimum: None

*Increasing*:  $(-\infty, -1)$ 

**Decreasing**:  $(-1, \infty)$ 

Domain:

Range:  $\left(-\infty, 4\right]$ 



#### **Exercise**

Determine any *relative maximum* or *minimum* of the function, determine the intervals on which the function *increasing* or *decreasing*, and then find the *domain* and the *range*.

$$f(x) = -x^3 + 3x^2$$

### **Solution**

Relative Maximum: (2, 4)

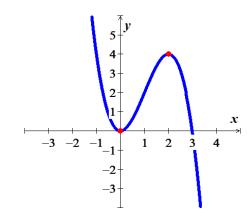
Relative Minimum: (0, 0)

Increasing: (0, 2)

**Decreasing**:  $\left(-\infty, 0\right) \left(2, \infty\right)$ 

Domain:

Range:



Determine any *relative maximum* or *minimum* of the function, determine the intervals on which the function *increasing* or *decreasing*, and then find the *domain* and the *range*.

$$f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2$$

#### **Solution**

Relative Maximum: (0, 0)

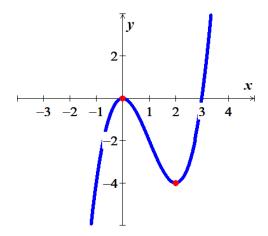
Relative Minimum: (2, -4)

Increasing:  $(-\infty, 0) (2, \infty)$ 

Decreasing: (0, 2)

Domain:

Range:  $\mathbb{R}$ 



#### Exercise

Determine any *relative maximum* or *minimum* of the function, determine the intervals on which the function *increasing* or *decreasing*, and then find the *domain* and the *range*.

$$f\left(x\right) = \frac{1}{4}x^4 - 2x^2$$

#### **Solution**

Relative Maximum: (0, 0)

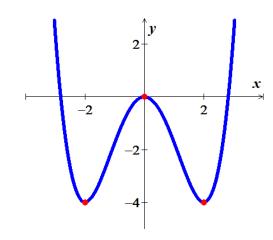
**Minimum Points:** (-2, -4) & (2, -4)

Increasing:  $(-2, 0) \cup (2, \infty)$ 

**Decreasing**:  $(-\infty, -2) \cup (0, 2)$ 

Domain:

Range:  $[-4, \infty)$ 



Determine any *relative maximum* or *minimum* of the function, determine the intervals on which the function *increasing* or *decreasing*, and then find the *domain* and the *range*.

$$f(x) = \frac{4}{81}x^4 - \frac{8}{9}x^2 + 4$$

#### **Solution**

Relative Maximum: (0, 4)

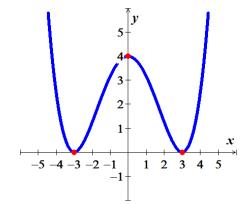
**Minimum Points:** (-3, 0) & (3, 0)

Increasing:  $(-3, 0) \cup (3, \infty)$ 

**Decreasing**:  $(-\infty, -3) \cup (0, 3)$ 

Domain:

**Range**:  $[0, \infty)$ 



#### Exercise

The elevation H, in *meters*, above sea level at which the boiling point of water is in t degrees Celsius is given by the function

$$H(t) = 1000(100 - t) + 580(100 - t)^{2}$$

At what elevation is the boiling point 99.5°.

#### Solution

$$H(99.5) = 1000(100 - 99.5) + 580(100 - 99.5)^{2}$$
  
= 645 m

#### Exercise

A hot-air balloon rises straight up from the ground at a rate of  $120 \, ft$ ./min. The balloon is tracked from a rangefinder on the ground at point P, which is  $400 \, ft$ . from the release point Q of the balloon. Let d = the distance from the balloon to the rangefinder and t - the time, in minutes, since the balloon was released. Express d as a function of t.

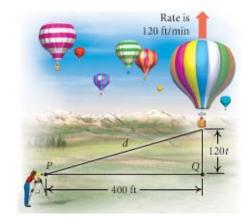
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$$d^{2} = (120t)^{2} + 400^{2}$$

$$d = \sqrt{14400t^{2} + 160000}$$

$$d = \sqrt{1600(9t^{2} + 100)}$$

$$d(t) = 40\sqrt{9t^{2} + 100}$$

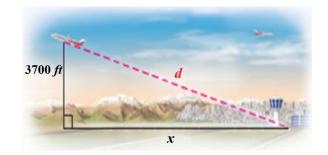


An airplane is flying at an altitude of  $3700 \, feet$ . The slanted distance directly to the airport is  $d \, feet$ . Express the horizontal distance x as a function of d.

#### **Solution**

$$d^{2} = (3,700)^{2} + x^{2}$$
$$h^{2} = d^{2} - (3700)^{2}$$

$$h(t) = \sqrt{d^2 - (3,700)^2}$$



#### Exercise

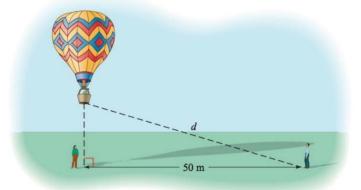
For the first minute of flight, a hot air balloon rises vertically at a rate of 3 *m/sec*. If *t* is the time in *seconds* that the balloon has been airborne, write the distance *d* between the balloon and a point on the ground 50 *meters* from the point to lift off as a function of *t*.

#### **Solution**

$$h = 3t$$
  $v = \frac{h}{t}$ 

$$d^2 = h^2 + 50^2$$

$$d\left(t\right) = \sqrt{9t^2 + 2,500}$$

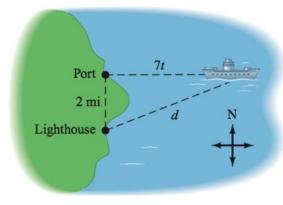


#### Exercise

A light house is 2 *miles* south of a port. A ship leaves port and sails east at a rate of 7 *miles* per *hour*. Express the distance *d* between the ship and the lighthouse as a function of time, given that the ship has been sailing for *t* hours.

$$d^2 = 4^2 + (7t)^2$$

$$d\left(t\right) = \sqrt{16 + 49t^2}$$



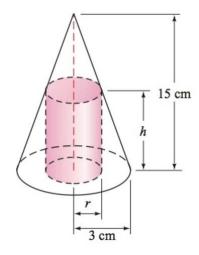
A cone has an altitude of 15 cm and a radius of 3 cm. A right circular cylinder of radius r and height h is inscribed in the cone. Use similar triangles to write h as a function of r.

#### **Solution**

$$\frac{15-h}{15} = \frac{r}{3}$$

$$15 - h = 5r$$

$$h(r) = 15 - 5r$$



#### Exercise

Water is flowing into a conical drinking cup with an altitude of 4 inches am a radius of 2 inches.

- a) Write the radius r of the surface of the water as a function of its depth h.
- b) Write the volume V of the water as a function of its depth h.

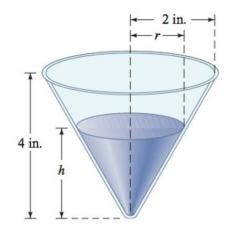
#### **Solution**

a) 
$$\frac{h}{4} = \frac{r}{2}$$
$$\frac{r(h) = \frac{1}{2}h}{|h|}$$

**b**) Area = 
$$\pi r^2$$

$$V = \frac{1}{3}\pi r^2 h$$
$$= \frac{1}{3}\pi \left(\frac{h^2}{4}\right) h$$

$$=\frac{1}{12}\pi h^3$$



### Exercise

A water tank has the shape of a right circular cone with height  $16 \, feet$  and radius  $8 \, feet$ . Water is running into the tank so that the radius r (in feet) of the surface of the water is given by r = 1.5t, where t is the time (in minutes) that the water has been running.

- a) The area A of the surface of the water is  $A = \pi r^2$ . Find A(t) and use it to determine the area of the surface of the water when t = 2 minutes.
- b) The volume V of the water is given by  $V = \frac{1}{3}\pi r^2 h$ . Find V(t) and use it to determine the volume of the water when t = 3 minutes

### **Solution**

c) 
$$Area = \pi r^2$$

$$A(t) = \pi \left(\frac{3}{2}t\right)^2$$
$$= \frac{9\pi}{4}t^2$$

**d**) 
$$\frac{h}{16} = \frac{r}{8}$$

$$h = 2r$$

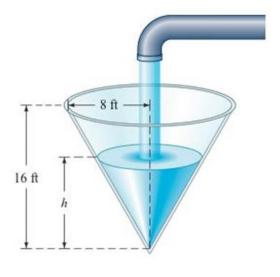
$$V(t) = \frac{1}{3}\pi r^2 h$$

$$= \frac{1}{3}\pi r^2 (2r)$$

$$= \frac{2}{3}\pi r^3$$

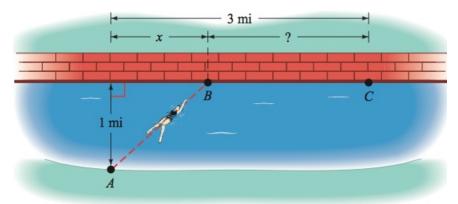
$$= \frac{2}{3}\pi \left(\frac{3}{2}t\right)^3$$

$$= \frac{9}{4}\pi t^3$$



#### Exercise

An athlete swims from point A to point B at a rate of 2 *miles* per *hour* and runs from point B to point C at a rate of 8 *miles* per *hour*. Use the dimensions in the figure to write the time t required to reach point C as a function of x.



#### **Solution**

Swimming distance = 
$$\sqrt{x^2 + 1}$$

$$t_{swim} = \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}}{2} \qquad t = \frac{d}{v}$$

Running distance = 3 - x

$$t_{run} = \frac{3-x}{8} \qquad t = \frac{d}{v}$$
$$t_{total} = \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}}{2} + \frac{3-x}{8}$$

A device used in golf to estimate the distance d, in yards, to a hole measures the size s, in *inches*, that the 7-foot pin appears to be in a viewfinder. Express the distance d as a function of s.

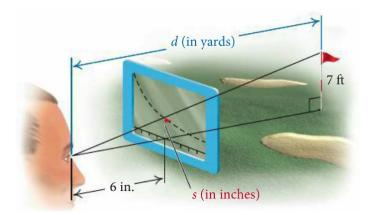
#### **Solution**

$$\frac{d}{6} = \frac{7}{s} \frac{ft}{in}$$

$$d = \frac{7}{s} \frac{ft}{in} 6in$$

$$d = \frac{42}{s} ft \frac{1yd}{3ft}$$

$$d(s) = \frac{14}{s}$$



#### Exercise

A *rhombus* is inscribed in a rectangle that is *w meters* wide with a perimeter of 40 *m*. Each vertex of the rhombus is a midpoint of a side of the rectangle. Express the area of the *rhombus* as a function of the rectangle's width.

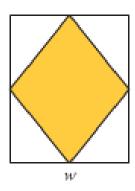
#### **Solution**

The area of the rhombus =  $\frac{1}{2}$  area of the rectangle, since each vertex of the rhombus is a midpoint of a side of the rectangle.

Perimter: 
$$2l + 2w = 40$$
 Divide both sides by 2  $l + w = 20$   $l = 20 - w$ 

Area of the rectangle = lw = (20 - w)w

Area of the rhombus = 
$$\frac{1}{2} \left( 20w - w^2 \right)$$
  
=  $-\frac{1}{2} w^2 + 10w$ 



The surface area S of a right circular cylinder is given by the formula  $S = 2\pi rh + 2\pi r^2$ . if the height is twice the radius, find each of the following.

- a) A function S(r) for the surface area as a function of r.
- b) A function S(h) for the surface area as a function of h.

#### **Solution**

Given: 
$$h = 2r$$

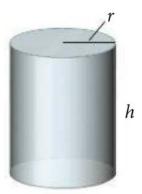
a) 
$$S = 2\pi r h + 2\pi r^{2}$$
$$S(r) = 2\pi r (2r) + 2\pi r^{2}$$
$$= 4\pi r^{2} + 2\pi r^{2}$$
$$= 6\pi r^{2}$$

b) 
$$r = \frac{1}{2}h$$

$$S(h) = 2\pi \left(\frac{1}{2}h\right)h + 2\pi \left(\frac{1}{2}h\right)^2$$

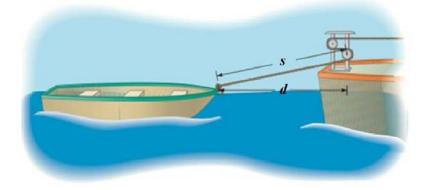
$$= \pi h^2 + \frac{1}{2}\pi h^2$$

$$= \frac{3}{2}\pi h^2$$



#### Exercise

A boat is towed by a rope that runs through a pulley that is 4 feet above the point where the rope is tied to the boat. The length (in feet) of the rope from the boat to the pulley is given by s = 48 - t, where t is the time in seconds that the boat has been in tow. The horizontal distance from the pulley to the boat is d.



- a) Find d(t)
- b) Evaluate s(35) and d(35)

a) 
$$s^2 = d^2 + 4^2$$
  
 $d^2 = (48 - t)^2 - 16$   
 $d(t) = \sqrt{2,304 - 96t + t^2 - 16}$   
 $= \sqrt{t^2 - 96t + 2,288}$ 

b) 
$$s(35) = 48 - 35$$
  
 $= 13 \text{ feet}$   
 $d(35) = \sqrt{(48 - 35)^2 - 16}$   
 $= \sqrt{13^2 - 16}$ 

The light from a lamppost casts a shadow from a ball that was dropped from a height of 22 *feet* above the ground. The distance d, in *feet*, the ball has dropped t seconds after it is released is given by  $d(t) = 16t^2$ . Find the distance x, in *feet*, of the shadow from the base of the lamppost as a function of time t.

#### **Solution**

$$\frac{22 - 16t^2}{22} = \frac{x - 12}{x}$$

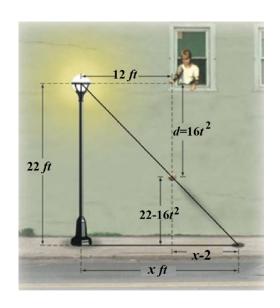
$$\left(22 - 16t^2\right)x = 22(x - 12)$$

$$\left(22 - 16t^2\right)x = 22x - 264$$

$$\left(22 - 16t^2 - 22\right)x = -264$$

$$-16t^2x = -264$$

$$x(t) = \frac{33}{2t^2}$$



#### Exercise

A right circular cylinder of height h and a radius r is inscribed in a right circular cone with a height of 10 feet and a base with radius 6 feet.

- a) Express the height h of the cylinder as a function of r.
- b) Express the volume V of the cylinder as a function of r.
- c) Express the volume V of the cylinder as a function of h.

a) 
$$\frac{h}{10} = \frac{6-r}{6}$$
$$h(r) = \frac{5}{3}(6-r)$$

b) 
$$V = \pi r^{2} h$$

$$V(r) = \frac{5}{3} \pi r^{2} (6 - r)$$

$$= \frac{5}{3} \pi \left(6r^{2} - r^{3}\right)$$

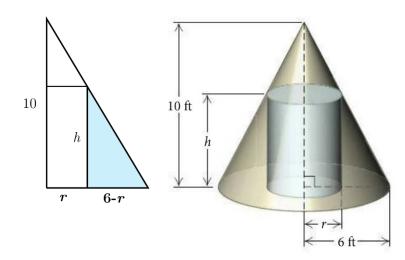
c) 
$$\frac{3}{5}h = 6 - r$$

$$r = 6 - \frac{3}{5}h$$

$$V = \pi r^{2}h$$

$$V(h) = \pi \left(\frac{30 - 3h}{5}\right)^{2}h$$

$$= \frac{1}{25}\pi h (30 - 3h)^{2}$$



## Solution

## **Section 2.2 – Function Operations**

### Exercise

Find the domain: f(x) = 7x + 4

## **Solution**

**Domain**:  $(-\infty, \infty)$ 

## Exercise

Find the domain: f(x) = |3x - 2|

## **Solution**

Domain: R

### Exercise

Find the domain:  $f(x) = 3x + \pi$ 

#### **Solution**

Domain: R

### Exercise

Find the domain:  $f(x) = \sqrt{7}x + \frac{1}{2}$ 

## **Solution**

Domain: R

## Exercise

Find the domain:  $f(x) = -2x^2 + 3x - 5$ 

## **Solution**

Domain: R

Find the domain:

$$f(x) = x^3 - 2x^2 + x - 3$$

**Solution** 

Domain: R

### Exercise

Find the domain: 
$$f(x) = x^2 - 2x - 15$$

**Solution** 

Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

### Exercise

Find the domain

$$f(x) = 4 - \frac{2}{x}$$

**Solution** 

*Domain*:  $x \neq 0$ 

### Exercise

Find the domain

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x^4}$$

**Solution** 

*Domain*:  $x \neq 0$ 

## Exercise

Find the domain:

$$g(x) = \frac{3}{x - 4}$$

**Solution** 

*Domain*:  $x \neq 4$ 

## Exercise

Find the domain

$$y = \frac{2}{x - 3}$$

**Solution** 

*Domain*:  $x \neq 3$ 

Find the domain 
$$y = \frac{-7}{x-5}$$

$$y = \frac{-7}{x - 5}$$

### **Solution**

*Domain*: 
$$x \neq 5$$

$$x \neq 5$$

### Exercise

$$f(x) = \frac{x+5}{2-x}$$

## **Solution**

$$2-x\neq 0$$

*Domain*: 
$$\underline{x \neq 2}$$

$$x \neq 2$$

### Exercise

$$f(x) = \frac{8}{x+4}$$

## **Solution**

$$x + 4 \neq 0$$

*Domain*: 
$$\underline{x \neq -4}$$

$$x \neq -4$$

## Exercise

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x+4}$$

## **Solution**

*Domain*: 
$$x \neq -4$$

$$x \neq -4$$

## Exercise

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x - 4}$$

*Domain*: 
$$x \neq 4$$

Find the domain 
$$f(x) = \frac{3x}{x+2}$$

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

### **Solution**

*Domain*: 
$$x \neq -2$$

#### Exercise

Find the domain 
$$f(x) = x - \frac{2}{x-3}$$

## **Solution**

*Domain*: 
$$x \neq 3$$

#### Exercise

$$f(x) = x + \frac{3}{x - 5}$$

## **Solution**

*Domain*: 
$$x \neq 5$$

## Exercise

Find the domain 
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{8}{x+7}$$

## **Solution**

*Domain*: 
$$x \neq -7$$

## Exercise

Find the domain 
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x-3} - \frac{8}{x+7}$$

## **Solution**

**Domain**: 
$$x \neq -7$$
, 3

## Exercise

Find the domain 
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x+4} - \frac{2x}{x-4}$$

**Domain**: 
$$\underline{x \neq \pm 4}$$

Fib+cnd the domain  $f(x) = \frac{3x^2}{x+3} - \frac{4x}{x-2}$ 

#### **Solution**

**Domain**:  $x \neq -3$ , 2

#### Exercise

Find the domain  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2 - 2x + 1}$ 

#### **Solution**

 $x^2 - 2x + 1 \neq 0$   $a+b+c=0 \rightarrow x=1, \frac{c}{a}$ 

*Domain*:  $x \neq 1$ 

#### Exercise

Find the domain  $f(x) = \frac{x}{x^2 + 3x + 2}$ 

#### Solution

 $x^{2} + 3x + 2 \neq 0$   $a - b + c = 0 \rightarrow x = -1, -\frac{c}{a}$ 

**Domain**:  $\underline{x \neq -1, -2}$ 

## Exercise

Find the domain 
$$f(x) = \frac{x^2}{x^2 - 5x + 4}$$

## Solution

 $x^2 - 5x + 4 \neq 0 \qquad a + b + c = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad x = 1, \quad \frac{c}{a}$ 

**Domain**:  $x \neq 1, 4$ 

## Exercise

Find the domain 
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2 - 4x - 5}$$

## Solution

 $x^2 - 4x - 5 \neq 0$   $a - b + c = 0 \rightarrow x = -1, -\frac{c}{a}$ 

**Domain**:  $x \neq -1$ , 5

Find the domain 
$$g(x) = \frac{2}{x^2 + x - 12}$$

#### **Solution**

$$x^{2} + x - 12 \neq 0$$
$$(x+4)(x-3) \neq 0$$

$$x \neq -4, \ 3$$

**Domain**: 
$$\underline{x \neq -4, 3}$$
  $\underline{(-\infty, -4) \cup (-4,3) \cup (3,\infty)}$ 

### Exercise

$$h(x) = \frac{5}{\frac{4}{x} - 1}$$

#### Solution

$$x \neq 0$$

$$x \neq 0 \qquad \frac{4}{x} - 1 \neq 0$$

$$\frac{4-x}{x} \neq 0$$

$$4 - x \neq 0$$

$$x \neq 4$$

$$x \neq 0, 4$$

**Domain**: 
$$\underline{x \neq 0, 4}$$
  $\underline{(-\infty,0) \cup (0,4) \cup (4,\infty)}$ 

## Exercise

Find the domain 
$$y = \sqrt{x}$$

$$y = \sqrt{x}$$

## **Solution**

$$x \ge 0$$

**Domain**: 
$$\underline{x \ge 0}$$
  $\underline{[0, \infty)}$ 

$$\geq 0$$
 [0,

## Exercise

Find the domain 
$$f(x) = \sqrt{8-3x}$$

$$f(x) = \sqrt{8 - 3x}$$

$$8 - 3x \ge 0$$

$$8 \ge 3x$$

$$x \leq \frac{8}{3}$$

**Domain**: 
$$x \le \frac{8}{3}$$
  $\left(-\infty, \frac{8}{3}\right]$ 

Find the domain 
$$y = \sqrt{4x+1}$$

### **Solution**

$$4x + 1 \ge 0 \implies x \ge -\frac{1}{4}$$

**Domain**: 
$$\underline{x \ge -\frac{1}{4}}$$
  $\left[-\frac{1}{4}, \infty\right)$ 

### Exercise

Find the domain 
$$y = \sqrt{7 - 2x}$$

### **Solution**

$$7 - 2x \ge 0$$

$$-2x \ge -7$$

**Domain**: 
$$x \le \frac{7}{2}$$
  $\left(-\infty, \frac{7}{2}\right]$ 

#### Exercise

Find the domain 
$$f(x) = \sqrt{8-x}$$

## **Solution**

$$8 - x \ge 0$$

**Domain**: 
$$\underline{x \leq -8} \ \left[ -\infty, \ 8 \right]$$

### Exercise

Find the domain 
$$f(x) = \sqrt{3-2x}$$

## **Solution**

**Domain**: 
$$x \le \frac{3}{2}$$

## Exercise

Find the domain 
$$f(x) = \sqrt{3+2x}$$

**Domain**: 
$$x \ge -\frac{3}{2}$$

Find the domain  $f(x) = \sqrt{5-x}$ 

### **Solution**

*Domain*:  $\underline{x \leq 5}$ 

### Exercise

Find the domain  $f(x) = \sqrt{x-5}$ 

### **Solution**

*Domain*:  $x \ge 5$ 

### Exercise

Find the domain  $f(x) = \sqrt{6-3x}$ 

#### **Solution**

*Domain*:  $\underline{x \leq 2}$ 

#### Exercise

Find the domain  $f(x) = \sqrt{3x - 6}$ 

## **Solution**

*Domain*:  $x \ge 2$ 

## Exercise

Find the domain  $f(x) = \sqrt{2x+7}$ 

## **Solution**

**Domain**:  $x \ge -\frac{7}{2}$ 

## Exercise

Find the domain  $f(x) = \sqrt{x^2 - 16}$ 

## **Solution**

 $x^2 - 16 = 0$ 

$$x^2 = 16$$

$$x = \pm 4$$

**Domain**:  $\underline{x \le -4} \quad x \ge 4$ 

### Exercise

$$f(x) = \sqrt{16 - x^2}$$

#### **Solution**

$$x = \pm 4$$

**Domain**: 
$$\underline{-4 \le x \le 4}$$

### Exercise

Find the domain 
$$f(x) = \sqrt{9 - x^2}$$

## **Solution**

$$x = \pm 3$$

*Domain*: 
$$-3 \le x \le 3$$

### Exercise

$$f(x) = \sqrt{x^2 - 25}$$

## **Solution**

$$x = \pm 5$$

*Domain*: 
$$-5 \le x \le 5$$

## Exercise

$$f(x) = \sqrt{x^2 - 5x + 4}$$

$$x^2 - 5x + 4$$

$$x^2 - 5x + 4 \qquad a + b + c = 0 \rightarrow x = 1, \frac{c}{a}$$

$$x = 1, 4$$

**Domain**: 
$$\underline{x \le 1}$$
  $\underline{x \ge 4}$ 

Find the domain 
$$f(x) = \sqrt{x^2 + 5x + 4}$$

#### Solution

$$x^2 + 5x + 4$$

$$x^{2} + 5x + 4$$
  $a - b + c = 0 \rightarrow x = -1, -\frac{c}{a}$ 

$$x = -1, -4$$

**Domain**: 
$$\underline{x \le -4} \quad x \ge -1$$

### Exercise

Find the domain 
$$f(x) = \sqrt{x^2 + 3x + 2}$$

### **Solution**

$$x^2 + 3x + 2$$

$$x^{2} + 3x + 2$$
  $a - b + c = 0 \rightarrow x = -1, -\frac{c}{a}$ 

$$x = -1, -2$$

**Domain**: 
$$\underline{x \le -2}$$
  $\underline{x \ge -1}$ 

### Exercise

Find the domain 
$$f(x) = \sqrt{x^2 - 3x + 2}$$

## **Solution**

$$x^2 - 3x + 2$$

$$x^2 - 3x + 2 \qquad a + b + c = 0 \rightarrow x = 1, \frac{c}{a}$$

$$x = 1, 2$$

**Domain**: 
$$\underline{x \le 1}$$
  $\underline{x \ge 2}$ 

## Exercise

Find the domain 
$$f(x) = \sqrt{x-4} + \sqrt{x+1}$$

$$x \ge 4$$
  $x \ge -1$ 

*Domain*: 
$$\underline{x \ge 4}$$

$$f(x) = \sqrt{3-x} + \sqrt{x-2}$$

### Solution

$$x \le 3$$
  $x \ge 2$ 

*Domain*: 
$$2 \le x \le 3$$

#### Exercise

$$f(x) = \sqrt{1 - x} + \sqrt{4 - x}$$

## **Solution**

$$x \le 1$$
  $x \le 4$ 

*Domain*: 
$$x \le 1$$

#### Exercise

$$f(x) = \sqrt{1-x} - \sqrt{x-3}$$

## **Solution**

$$x \le 1$$
  $x \ge 3$ 

## Exercise

Find the domain 
$$f(x) = \sqrt{x+4} - \sqrt{x-1}$$

## **Solution**

$$x \ge -4$$
  $x \ge 1$ 

*Domain*: 
$$x \ge 1$$

## Exercise

$$f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{x+1}}{x}$$

$$x+1 \ge 0$$

$$x \neq 0$$

$$x \ge -1$$

**Domain**: 
$$x \ge -1$$
  $x \ne 0$ 

$$[-1, 0) \cup (0, \infty)$$

$$g(x) = \frac{\sqrt{x-3}}{x-6}$$

### **Solution**

$$\rightarrow \begin{cases} x \ge 3 \\ x \ne 6 \end{cases}$$

$$x \ge 3$$
  $x \ne 6$ 

**Domain**: 
$$\underline{x \ge 3}$$
  $x \ne 6$   $\underline{ [3, 6) \cup (6, \infty) }$ 

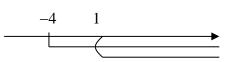
## Exercise

Find the domain 
$$f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{x+4}}{\sqrt{x-1}}$$

#### **Solution**

$$\rightarrow \begin{cases} x \ge -4 \\ x > 1 \end{cases}$$

**Domain**: 
$$\underline{x > 1}$$
  $\underline{(1, \infty)}$ 



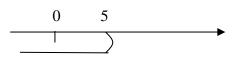
## Exercise

$$f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{5-x}}{x}$$

## **Solution**

$$x \le 5$$
  $x \ne 0$ 

**Domain**: 
$$\underline{x \le 5}$$
  $x \ne 0$   $\left(-\infty, 0\right) \cup \left(0, 5\right]$ 



## Exercise

Find the domain 
$$f(x) = \frac{x}{\sqrt{5-x}}$$

**Domain**: 
$$\underline{x < 5}$$
  $(-\infty, 5)$ 

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x\sqrt{5-x}}$$

#### **Solution**

$$x < 5$$
  $x \neq 0$ 

**Domain**: 
$$\underline{x < 5}$$
  $\underline{x \neq 0}$   $\underline{(-\infty, 0) \cup (0, 5)}$ 

$$(-\infty, 0) \cup (0, 5)$$

### Exercise

$$f(x) = \frac{x+1}{x^3 - 4x}$$

#### **Solution**

$$x^3 - 4x \neq 0$$

$$x\left(x^2 - 4\right) \neq 0$$

*Domain*: 
$$x \neq 0$$
,

**Domain**: 
$$\underline{x \neq 0, \pm 2}$$
  $(-\infty, -2) \cup (-2, 0) \cup (0, 2) \cup (2, \infty)$ 

## Exercise

$$f\left(x\right) = \frac{\sqrt{x+5}}{x}$$

## **Solution**

$$x \ge -5$$
  $x \ne 0$ 

**Domain**: 
$$x \ge -5$$
  $x \ne 0$ 

## Exercise

$$f\left(x\right) = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x+5}}$$

$$x > -5$$

**Domain**: 
$$x > -5$$

Find the domain 
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x\sqrt{x+5}}$$

#### **Solution**

$$x > -5$$
  $x \neq 0$ 

**Domain**: 
$$x > -5$$
  $x \neq 0$ 

#### Exercise

Find the domain 
$$f(x) = \frac{x+3}{\sqrt{x-3}}$$

#### **Solution**

*Domain*: 
$$x > 3$$

#### Exercise

Find the domain 
$$f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{x+3}}{\sqrt{x-3}}$$

### **Solution**

$$x \ge -3$$
  $x > 3$ 

Domain: 
$$x > 3$$

## Exercise

Find the domain 
$$f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{x-2}}{\sqrt{x+2}}$$

## Solution

$$x \ge 2$$
  $x > -2$ 

**Domain**: 
$$\underline{x \ge 2}$$

## Exercise

Find the domain 
$$f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{2-x}}{\sqrt{x+2}}$$

$$x \le 2$$
  $x > -2$ 

**Domain**: 
$$\underline{-2 < x \le 2}$$

Find the domain 
$$f(x) = \frac{x-4}{\sqrt{x-2}}$$

#### **Solution**

**Domain**: x > 2

### Exercise

Find the domain of 
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{(x-3)\sqrt{x+3}}$$

#### **Solution**

$$x-3 \neq 0 \qquad x+3 > 0$$
$$x \neq 3 \qquad x > -3$$

**Domain**: 
$$\{x \mid x > -3 \text{ and } x \neq 3\}$$
  
 $(-3, 3) \cup (3, \infty)$ 



#### Exercise

Find the domain of  $f(x) = \sqrt{x+2} + \sqrt{2-x}$ 

### **Solution**

$$x+2 \ge 0$$
  $2-x \ge 0$   
 $x \ge -2$   $-x \ge -2 \rightarrow x \le 2$ 

**Domain**:  $\{x \mid -2 \le x \le 2\}$ 



#### Exercise

Find the domain of  $f(x) = \sqrt{(x-2)(x-6)}$ 

#### **Solution**

$$x-2 \ge 0 \quad x-6 \ge 0$$

$$x \ge 2$$
  $x \ge 6$ 

**Domain**:  $\{x \mid x \le 2, x \ge 6\}$ 

2	6	
_	+	+
_	_	+
+	_	+

Find the domain of  $f(x) = \sqrt{x+3} - \sqrt{4-x}$ 

### **Solution**

$$x \ge -3$$
  $x \le 4$ 

**Domain**:  $\underline{-3 \le x \le 4}$ 

### Exercise

Find the domain of  $f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{4x-3}}{x^2-4}$ 

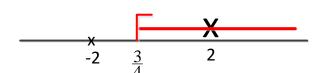
#### **Solution**

$$4x-3 \ge 0 \qquad x^2-4 \ne 0$$

$$4x \ge 3 \qquad x \ne \pm 2$$

$$x \ge \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
\lambda \geq \frac{\pi}{4} \\
\textbf{Domain}: \left[\frac{3}{4}, 2\right) \cup (2, \infty)
\end{array}$$



### Exercise

Find the domain of  $f(x) = \frac{4x}{6x^2 + 13x - 5}$ 

### **Solution**

$$6x^{2} + 13x - 5 \neq 0$$

$$x = \frac{-13 \pm \sqrt{169 + 120}}{12}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{-13 - 17}{12} = -\frac{5}{2} \\ \frac{-13 + 17}{12} = \frac{1}{3} \end{cases}$$

**Domain**:  $x \neq -\frac{5}{2}, \frac{1}{3}$ 

### Exercise

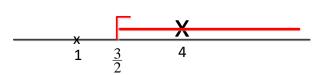
Find the domain of  $f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{2x-3}}{x^2-5x+4}$ 

$$2x - 3 \ge 0 \qquad x^2 - 5x + 4 \ne 0$$

$$2x \ge 3 \qquad x \ne 1, \ 4$$

$$x \ge \frac{3}{2}$$

**Domain**: 
$$x \ge \frac{3}{2}$$
,  $x \ne 4$   $\left[\frac{3}{2}, 4\right] \cup (4, \infty)$ 



Find the domain of 
$$f(x) = \frac{x^2}{\sqrt{x^2 - 5x + 4}}$$

### Solution

$$x^2 - 5x + 4$$

$$x^2 - 5x + 4$$
  $a+b+c=0 \rightarrow x=1, \frac{c}{a}$ 

$$x = 1, 4$$

**Domain**: 
$$x < 1$$
  $x > 4$ 

#### Exercise

Find the domain of 
$$f(x) = \frac{x+2}{\sqrt{x^2+5x+4}}$$

## **Solution**

$$x^2 + 5x + 4$$

$$x^{2} + 5x + 4$$
  $a - b + c = 0 \rightarrow x = -1, -\frac{c}{a}$ 

$$x = -1, -4$$

**Domain**: 
$$\underline{x < -4} \quad x > -1$$

### Exercise

Find the domain of 
$$f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{x+2}}{\sqrt{x^2 + 3x + 2}}$$

$$x^2 + 3x + 2$$

$$x^{2} + 3x + 2$$
  $a - b + c = 0 \rightarrow x = -1, -\frac{c}{a}$ 

$$x < -2$$
  $x > -1$ 

$$\sqrt{x+2} \rightarrow x \ge -2$$

*Domain*: 
$$x > -1$$

 $f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{2x+3}}{x^2-6x+5}$ Find the domain of

#### **Solution**

$$x^2 - 6x + 5$$

$$x^2 - 6x + 5 \qquad a + b + c = 0 \rightarrow x = 1, \frac{c}{a}$$

 $x \neq 1, 5$ 

$$\sqrt{2x+3} \quad \to \quad x \ge -\frac{3}{2}$$

**Domain**:  $x \ge -\frac{3}{2}$   $x \ne 1, 5$ 

### Exercise

Let f(x) = 4x - 3 and g(x) = 5x + 7. Find each of the following and give the domain

a) 
$$(f+g)(x)$$

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 b)  $(f-g)(x)$  c)  $(fg)(x)$ 

c) 
$$(fg)(x)$$

$$d$$
)  $\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(x)$ 

#### **Solution**

a) 
$$(f+g)(x) = 4x-3+5x+7$$
  
=  $9x+4$ 

*Domain*: ℝ

**b**) 
$$(f-g)(x) = 4x-3-(5x+7)$$
  
=  $4x-3-5x-7$   
=  $-x-10$ 

Domain: R

c) 
$$(fg)(x) = (4x-3)(5x+7)$$
  
=  $20x^2 + 13x - 21$ 

Domain: R

$$d) \quad \left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(x) = \frac{4x-3}{5x+7}$$

**Domain**:  $x \neq -\frac{7}{5}$ 

Let  $f(x) = 2x^2 + 3$  and g(x) = 3x - 4. Find each of the following and give the domain

a) 
$$(f+g)(x)$$
 b)  $(f-g)(x)$  c)  $(fg)(x)$ 

b) 
$$(f-g)(x)$$

c) 
$$(fg)(x)$$

$$d) \ \left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(x)$$

**Solution** 

a) 
$$(f+g)(x) = 2x^2 + 3 + 3x - 4$$
  
=  $2x^2 + 3x - 1$ 

*Domain*: ℝ |

**b**) 
$$(f-g)(x) = 2x^2 + 3 - (3x - 4)$$
  
=  $2x^2 + 3 - 3x + 4$   
=  $2x^2 - x + 7$ 

*Domain*: ℝ

c) 
$$(fg)(x) = (2x^2 + 3)(3x - 4)$$
  
=  $6x^2 + x - 12$ 

Domain: R

$$d) \quad \left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(x) = \frac{2x^2 + 3}{3x - 4}$$

**Domain**:  $x \neq -\frac{4}{3}$ 

#### Exercise

Let  $f(x) = x^2 - 2x - 3$  and  $g(x) = x^2 + 3x - 2$ . Find each of the following and give the domain

a) 
$$(f+g)(x)$$
 b)  $(f-g)(x)$  c)  $(fg)(x)$ 

$$b) \quad (f-g)(x)$$

c) 
$$(fg)(x)$$

$$d) \ \left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(x)$$

**Solution** 

a) 
$$(f+g)(x) = x^2 - 2x - 3 + x^2 + 3x - 2$$
  
=  $2x^2 + x - 5$ 

Domain: R

**b**) 
$$(f-g)(x) = x^2 - 2x - 3 - x^2 - 3x + 2$$
  
=  $-5x - 1$ 

Domain: R

c) 
$$(fg)(x) = (x^2 - 2x - 3)(x^2 + 3x - 2)$$
  
=  $x^4 + 3x^3 - 2x^2 - 2x^3 - 6x^2 + 4x - 3x^2 - 9x + 6$   
=  $x^4 + x^3 - 11x^2 - 5x + 6$ 

Domain: R

**d**) 
$$\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(x) = \frac{x^2 - 2x - 3}{x^2 + 3x - 2}$$

**Domain**:  $x \neq \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{17}}{2}$ 

### Exercise

Let  $f(x) = \sqrt{4x-1}$  and  $g(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ . Find each of the following and give the domain

a) 
$$(f+g)(x)$$
 b)  $(f-g)(x)$  c)  $(fg)(x)$ 

b) 
$$(f-g)(x)$$

c) 
$$(fg)(x)$$

d) 
$$\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(x)$$

#### **Solution**

a) 
$$(f+g)(x)$$

$$(f+g)(x) = \sqrt{4x-1} + \frac{1}{x}$$

$$4x-1 \ge 0 \qquad x \ne 0$$

$$x \ge \frac{1}{4}$$

**Domain**:  $\left[\frac{1}{4},\infty\right)$ 

**b**) 
$$(f-g)(x)$$

$$(f-g)(x) = \sqrt{4x-1} - \frac{1}{x}$$

$$4x-1 \ge 0 \qquad x \ne 0$$

$$x \ge \frac{1}{4}$$

**Domain**:  $\left[\frac{1}{4},\infty\right)$ 

c) 
$$(fg)(x) = \sqrt{4x-1}\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$$
$$= \frac{\sqrt{4x-1}}{x}$$

$$4x - 1 \ge 0 \qquad x \ne 0$$
$$x \ge \frac{1}{4}$$

**Domain**:  $\left[\frac{1}{4},\infty\right)$ 

d) 
$$\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(x) = \frac{\sqrt{4x-1}}{\frac{1}{x}}$$

$$= x\sqrt{4x-1}$$

$$4x-1 \ge 0$$

$$x \ge \frac{1}{4}$$

**Domain**:  $\left[\frac{1}{4}, \infty\right)$ 

#### Exercise

Given that f(x) = x + 1 and  $g(x) = \sqrt{x + 3}$ 

- a) Find (f+g)(x)
- b) Find the domain of (f+g)(x)
- c) Find: (f+g)(6)

## **Solution**

a) 
$$(f+g)(x) = f(x) + g(x)$$
  
=  $x+1+\sqrt{x+3}$ 

**b**) 
$$x + 3 \ge 0 \to x \ge -3$$

**Domain** = 
$$[-3, \infty)$$

c) 
$$(f+g)(6) = 6+1+\sqrt{6+3}$$
  
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## Exercise

Given that  $f(x) = x^2 - 4$  and g(x) = x + 2

- a) Find (f+g)(x) and its domain
- b) Find (f/g)(x) and its domain

#### **Solution**

*Domain*:  $x \neq 0$ 

a) 
$$(f+g)(x) = x^2 - 4 + x + 2$$
  
=  $x^2 + x - 2$ 

Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

$$b) \quad \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{x^2 - 4}{x + 2}$$
$$x \neq -2$$

**Domain**:  $(-\infty, -2) \cup (-2, \infty)$ 

## Exercise

Let  $f(x) = x^2 + 1$  and g(x) = 3x + 5. Find (f + g)(1), (f - g)(-3), (fg)(5), and (fg)(0)

a) 
$$(f+g)(1) = f(1) + g(1)$$
  
=  $1^2 + 1 + 3(1) + 5$   
=  $10$ 

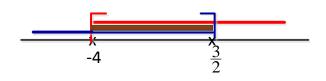
**b**) 
$$(f-g)(-3) = f(-3) - g(-3)$$
  
=  $(-3)^2 + 1 - (3(-3) + 5)$   
=  $10$ 

c) 
$$(fg)(5) = f(5) \cdot g(5)$$
  
=  $(5^2 + 1) \cdot (3(5) + 5)$   
=  $(26) \cdot (20)$   
=  $520$ 

d) 
$$\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(0) = \frac{f(0)}{g(0)}$$
  
=  $\frac{0^2 + 1}{3(0) + 5}$   
=  $\frac{1}{5}$ 

Find 
$$(f+g)(x)$$
,  $(f-g)(x)$ ,  $(f \cdot g)(x)$ , and  $(f/g)(x)$  and the domain of  $f(x) = \sqrt{3-2x}$ ,  $g(x) = \sqrt{x+4}$ 

$$f(x) + g(x) = \sqrt{3 - 2x} + \sqrt{x + 4}$$
$$3 - 2x \ge 0 \qquad x + 4 \ge 0$$
$$-2x \ge -3 \qquad x \ge -4$$
$$x \le \frac{3}{2}$$



**Domain**: 
$$\left\{ x \mid -4 \le x \le \frac{3}{2} \right\}$$

$$f(x) - g(x) = \sqrt{3 - 2x} - \sqrt{x + 4}$$
$$3 - 2x \ge 0 \qquad x + 4 \ge 0$$
$$-2x \ge -3 \qquad x \ge -4$$
$$x \le \frac{3}{2}$$

**Domain**: 
$$\left\{ x \mid -4 \le x \le \frac{3}{2} \right\}$$

$$(f \cdot g)(x) = (\sqrt{3-2x})(\sqrt{x+4})$$

$$= \sqrt{(3-2x)(x+4)}$$

$$= \sqrt{-2x^2 - 5x + 12}$$

$$3 - 2x \ge 0 \qquad x+4 \ge 0$$

$$-2x \ge -3 \qquad x \ge -4$$

$$x \le \frac{3}{2}$$

**Domain**: 
$$\left\{ x \mid -4 \le x \le \frac{3}{2} \right\}$$

$$(f/g)(x) = \frac{\sqrt{3-2x}}{\sqrt{x+4}} \frac{\sqrt{x+4}}{\sqrt{x+4}}$$
$$= \frac{\sqrt{-2x^2 - 5x + 12}}{x+4}$$
$$3 - 2x \ge 0 \qquad x+4 > 0$$
$$-2x \ge -3 \qquad x > -4$$
$$x \le \frac{3}{2}$$

**Domain**: 
$$\left\{ x \mid -4 < x \le \frac{3}{2} \right\}$$
  $\left( -4, \frac{3}{2} \right)$ 

Find (f+g)(x), (f-g)(x),  $(f \cdot g)(x)$ , and (f/g)(x) and the domain of  $f(x) = \frac{2x}{x-4}, \quad g(x) = \frac{x}{x+5}$ 

#### Solution

$$(f+g)(x) = \frac{2x}{x-4} + \frac{x}{x+5}$$

$$= \frac{2x(x+5) + x(x-4)}{(x-4)(x+5)}$$

$$= \frac{2x^2 + 10x + x^2 - 4x}{(x-4)(x+5)}$$

$$= \frac{3x^2 + 6x}{(x-4)(x+5)}$$

$$x-4 \neq 0 \qquad x+5 \neq 0$$

$$x \neq 4 \qquad x \neq -5$$
**Domain**:  $\{x \mid x \neq -5, 4\}$   $(-\infty, -5) \cup (-5, 4) \cup (4, \infty)$ 

**Domain**: 
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  $(-\infty, -5) \cup (-5, 4) \cup (4, \infty)$ 

$$(f-g)(x) = \frac{2x}{x-4} - \frac{x}{x+5}$$

$$= \frac{2x(x+5) - x(x-4)}{(x-4)(x+5)}$$

$$= \frac{2x^2 + 10x - x^2 + 4x}{(x-4)(x+5)}$$

$$= \frac{x^2 + 14x}{(x-4)(x+5)}$$

$$x \neq 4 \qquad x \neq -5$$

**Domain**: 
$$\{x \mid x \neq -5, 4\}$$

$$(f \cdot g)(x) = \frac{2x}{x-4} \frac{x}{x+5}$$
$$= \frac{2x^2}{(x-4)(x+5)}$$

$$x \neq 4$$
  $x \neq -5$ 

**Domain**:  $\{x \mid x \neq -5, 4\}$ 

$$(f/g)(x) = \frac{2x}{x-4} \div \frac{x}{x+5}$$
$$= \frac{2x}{x-4} \cdot \frac{x+5}{x}$$

$$= 2\frac{x+5}{x-4}$$

$$x \neq 4 \qquad x \neq -5$$
**Domain**:  $\{x \mid x \neq -5, 4\}$ 

Find (f+g)(x), (f-g)(x),  $(f \cdot g)(x)$ , and (f/g)(x) of f(x) = x-5 and  $g(x) = x^2-1$ 

#### **Solution**

a) 
$$(f+g)(x) = f(x) + g(x)$$
  
=  $x-5+x^2-1$   
=  $x^2+x-6$ 

**b**) 
$$(f-g)(x) = f(x) - g(x)$$
  
=  $x - 5 - (x^2 - 1)$   
=  $x - 5 - x^2 + 1$   
=  $-x^2 + x - 4$ 

c) 
$$(fg)(x) = f(x)g(x)$$
  
 $= (x-5)(x^2-1)$   
 $= x^3 - x - 5x^2 + 5$   
 $= x^3 - 5x^2 - x + 5$ 

$$d) \quad \left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(x) = \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$$
$$= \frac{x-5}{x^2 - 1}$$

#### Exercise

For the function f given by f(x) = 9x + 5, find the difference quotient  $\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$ 

$$f(x+h) = 9(x+h) + 5 = 9x + 9h + 5$$

$$\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \frac{\frac{f(x+h)}{f(x)}}{h} = \frac{\frac{f(x+h)}{f(x)}}{h}$$
$$= \frac{9x + 9h + 5 - 9x - 5}{h}$$

$$= \frac{9h}{h}$$
$$= 9 \mid$$

For the function f given by f(x) = 6x + 2, find the difference quotient  $\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$ 

#### **Solution**

$$\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \frac{6(x+h) + 2 - (6x+2)}{h}$$
$$= \frac{6x + 6h + 2 - 6x - 2}{h}$$
$$= \frac{6h}{h}$$
$$= 6$$

#### Exercise

For the function f given by f(x) = 4x + 11, find the difference quotient  $\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$ 

#### **Solution**

$$\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \frac{4(x+h) + 11 - (4x+11)}{h}$$

$$= \frac{4x + 4h + 11 - 4x - 11}{h}$$

$$= \frac{4h}{h}$$

$$= 4$$

## Exercise

For the function f given by f(x) = 3x - 5, find the difference quotient  $\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$ 

$$\frac{f(x+h)-f(x)}{h} = \frac{3(x+h)-5-3x+5}{h}$$
$$= \frac{3x+3h-5-3x+5}{h}$$
$$= \frac{3h}{h}$$
$$= 3$$

For the function f given by f(x) = -2x - 3, find the difference quotient  $\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$ 

#### **Solution**

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

## Exercise

For the function f given by f(x) = -4x + 3, find the difference quotient  $\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$ 

#### **Solution**

$$\frac{f(x+h)-f(x)}{h} = \frac{-4(x+h)+3+4x-3}{h}$$

$$= \frac{-4x-4h+3+4x-3}{h}$$

$$= \frac{-4h}{h}$$
= -4 |

#### Exercise

For the function f given by f(x) = 3x - 6, find the difference quotient  $\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$ 

$$\frac{f(x+h)-f(x)}{h} = \frac{3(x+h)-6-3x+6}{h}$$
$$= \frac{3x+3h-6-3x+6}{h}$$
$$= \frac{3h}{h}$$
$$= 3$$

For the function f given by f(x) = -5x - 7, find the difference quotient  $\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$ 

## **Solution**

$$\frac{f(x+h)-f(x)}{h} = \frac{-5(x+h)-7+5x+7}{h}$$
$$= \frac{-5x-5h-7+5x+7}{h}$$
$$= \frac{-5h}{h}$$
$$= -5$$

## Exercise

Given the function:  $f(x) = 2x^2$ . Find and simplify the difference quotient  $\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$ Solution

$$f(x+h) = 2(x+h)^{2}$$

$$= 2(x^{2} + 2hx + h^{2})$$

$$= 2x^{2} + 4hx + 2h^{2}$$

$$\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \frac{2x^{2} + 4hx + 2h^{2} - 2x^{2}}{h}$$

$$= \frac{4hx + 2h^{2}}{h}$$

$$= \frac{4hx + 2h^{2}}{h}$$

$$= 4x + 2h$$

#### Exercise

For the function f given by  $f(x) = 5x^2$ , find the difference quotient  $\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$ 

$$\frac{f(x+h)-f(x)}{h} = \frac{5(x+h)^2 - 5x^2}{h}$$

$$= \frac{5(x^2 + 2hx + h^2) - 5x^2}{h}$$

$$= \frac{5x^2 + 10hx + 5h^2 - 5x^2}{h}$$

$$= \frac{10hx + 5h^2}{h}$$

$$= 10x + 5h$$

For the function f given by  $f(x) = 3x^2 - 4x$ , find the difference quotient  $\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$ 

#### **Solution**

$$\frac{f(x+h)-f(x)}{h} = \frac{3(x+h)^2 - 4x - 3x^2 + 4x}{h}$$

$$= \frac{3(x^2 + 2hx + h^2) - 4(x+h) - 3x^2 + 4x}{h}$$

$$= \frac{3x^2 + 6hx + 3h^2 - 4x - 4h - 3x^2 + 4x}{h}$$

$$= \frac{6hx + 3h^2 - 4h}{h}$$

$$= 6x + 3h - 4$$

#### Exercise

For the function f given by  $f(x) = 2x^2 - 3x$ , find the difference quotient  $\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$ 

$$f(x+h) = 2(-)^{2} - 3(-)$$

$$= 2(x+h)^{2} - 3(x+h) \qquad (a+b)^{2} = a^{2} + 2ab + b^{2}$$

$$= 2\left(x^{2} + 2xh + h^{2}\right) - 3x - 3h$$

$$= 2x^{2} + 4xh + 2h^{2} - 3x - 3h$$

$$\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \frac{2x^{2} + 4xh + 2h^{2} - 3x - 3h - (2x^{2} - 3x)}{h}$$

$$= \frac{2x^{2} + 4xh + 2h^{2} - 3x - 3h - 2x^{2} + 3x}{h}$$

$$= \frac{4xh + 2h^{2} - 3h}{h}$$

$$= \frac{4xh}{h} + \frac{2h^2}{h} - \frac{3h}{h}$$
$$= 4x + 2h - 3$$

For the function f given by  $f(x) = 2x^2 - x - 3$ , find the difference quotient  $\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$ 

#### Solution

$$f(x+h) = 2(x+h)^{2} - (x+h) - 3$$

$$= 2(x^{2} + 2hx + h^{2}) - x - h - 3$$

$$= 2x^{2} + 4hx + 2h^{2} - x - h - 3$$

$$\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \frac{2x^{2} + 2h^{2} + 4hx - x - h - 3 - (2x^{2} - x - 3)}{h}$$

$$= \frac{2x^{2} + 2h^{2} + 4hx - x - h - 3 - 2x^{2} + x + 3}{h}$$

$$= \frac{2h^{2} + 4hx - h}{h}$$

#### Exercise

For the given function  $f(x) = 2x^2 - x - 3$ , find the difference quotient  $\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$ 

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

$$= \frac{2(x^2 + 2hx + h^2) - x - h - 2x^2 + x}{h}$$

$$= \frac{2x^2 + 4hx + 2h^2 - h - 2x^2}{h}$$

$$= \frac{4hx + 2h^2 - h}{h}$$

$$= 4x + 2h - 1$$

For the given function  $f(x) = x^2 - 2x + 5$ , find the difference quotient  $\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$ 

#### **Solution**

$$\frac{f(x+h)-f(x)}{h} = \frac{(x+h)^2 - 2(x+h) + 5 - x^2 + 2x - 5}{h}$$

$$= \frac{x^2 + 2hx + h^2 - 2x - 2h - x^2 + 2x}{h}$$

$$= \frac{2hx + h^2 - 2h}{h}$$

$$= 2x + h - 2$$

#### Exercise

For the given function  $f(x) = 3x^2 - 2x + 5$ , find the difference quotient  $\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$ 

#### **Solution**

$$\frac{f(x+h)-f(x)}{h} = \frac{3(x+h)^2 - 2(x+h) + 5 - 3x^2 + 2x - 5}{h}$$

$$= \frac{3(x^2 + 2hx + h^2) - 2x - 2h - 3x^2 + 2x}{h}$$

$$= \frac{3x^2 + 6hx + 3h^2 - 2h - 3x^2}{h}$$

$$= \frac{6hx + 3h^2 - 2h}{h}$$

$$= 6x + 3h - 2$$

#### Exercise

For the given function  $f(x) = -2x^2 - 3x + 7$ , find the difference quotient  $\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$ 

$$\frac{f(x+h)-f(x)}{h} = \frac{-2(x+h)^2 - 3(x+h) + 7 + 2x^2 + 3x - 7}{h}$$

$$= \frac{-2(x^2 + 2hx + h^2) - 3x - 3h + 2x^2 + 3x}{h}$$

$$= \frac{-2x^2 - 4hx - 2h^2 - 3h + 2x^2}{h}$$

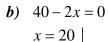
$$= \frac{-4hx - 2h^2 - 3h}{h}$$
$$= -4x - 2h - 3$$

An open box is to be made from a square piece of cardboard that measures 40 *inches* on each side, to construct the box, squares that measure *x inches* on each side are cut from each corner of the cardboard.

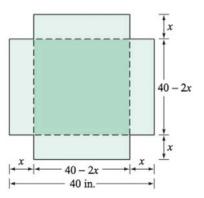
- a) Express the volume V of the box as a function of x.
- b) Determine the domain of V.

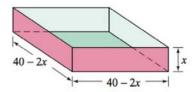
#### **Solution**

a) 
$$V(x) = x(40-2x)^2$$
  
=  $x(1600-160x+4x^2)$   
=  $4x^3-160x^2+1600x$ 



**Domain**:  $\{x \mid 0 < x < 20\}$ 





#### Exercise

A child 4 *feet* tall is standing near a street lamp that is 12 *feet* high. The light from the lamp casts a shadow.

- a) Find the length l of the shadow as a function of the distance d of the child from the lamppost.
- b) What is the domain of the function?
- c) What is the length of the shadow when the child is 8 feet from the base of the lamppost?

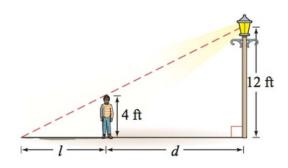
a) 
$$\frac{l+d}{12} = \frac{l}{4}$$

$$l+d=3l$$

$$2l=d$$

$$l(d) = \frac{1}{2}d$$

- **b)** Domain:  $\{x \mid 0 \le d < \infty\}$
- c) Given: d = 8l = 4 feet |



An open box is to be made from a square piece of cardboard with the dimensions 30 *inches* by 30 *inches* by cutting out squares of area  $x^2$  from each corner.

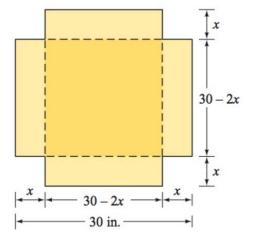
- a) Express the volume V of the box as a function of x.
- b) Determine the domain of V.

#### **Solution**

a) 
$$V(x) = x(30-2x)^2$$
  
=  $x(900-120x+4x^2)$   
=  $4x^3 - 120x^2 + 900x$ 

**b**) 
$$30 - 2x = 0$$
  $x = 15$ 

**Domain**: 
$$\{x \mid 0 < x < 15\}$$



#### Exercise

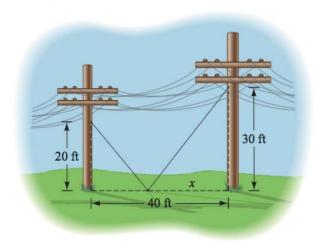
Two guy wires are attached to utility poles that are 40 feet apart.

- a) Find the total length of the two guy wires as a function of x.
- b) What is the domain of this function?

## **Solution**

a) 
$$\ell_1 = \sqrt{(40 - x)^2 + 20^2}$$
  
 $= \sqrt{1,600 - 80x + x^2 + 400}$   
 $= \sqrt{2,000 - 80x + x^2}$   
 $\ell_2 = \sqrt{x^2 + 30^2}$   
 $= \sqrt{x^2 + 900}$   
 $\ell(x) = \sqrt{2,000 - 80x + x^2} + \sqrt{x^2 + 900}$ 

**b) Domain**: [0, 40]



A rancher has 360 *yards* of fencing with which to enclose two adjacent rectangular corrals, one for sheep and one for cattle. A river forms one side of the corrals. Suppose the width of each corral is *x* yards.

- a) Express the total area of the two corrals as a function of x.
- b) Find the domain of the function.

#### **Solution**

a) 
$$P = 3x + l = 360$$
  
 $l = 360 - 3x$   
 $A = xl$   
 $= x(360 - 3x)$   
 $A(x) = 360x - 3x^2$ 

b) 
$$x(360-3x)=0$$
  
 $x=0$   
 $360-3x=0$   
 $3x=360$ 

 $\Rightarrow \underline{x = 120}$ 

**Domain**: 0 < x < 120



#### Exercise

A rectangle is bounded by the x- and y-axis of  $y = -\frac{1}{2}x + 4$ 

- a) Find the area of the rectangle as a function of x.
- b) What is the domain of this function.

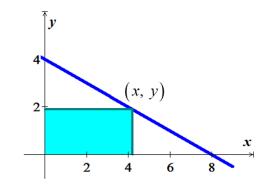
#### **Solution**

$$a$$
)  $Area = xy$ 

$$A(x) = x\left(-\frac{1}{2}x + 4\right)$$
$$= -\frac{1}{2}x^2 + 4x$$

$$b) \quad x\left(-\frac{1}{2}x+4\right) = 0$$
$$x = 0 \quad x = 8$$

**Domain**: 0 < x < 8



# **Solution** Section 2.3 – Composition Functions

## Exercise

Given that f(x) = 2x - 5 and  $g(x) = x^2 - 3x + 8$ , find  $(f \circ g)(x)$ ,  $(g \circ f)(x)$  and their domain then find  $(f \circ g)(7)$ 

## **Solution**

$$f(g(x)) = f(x^{2} - 3x + 8)$$

$$= 2(------) - 5$$

$$= 2(2x^{2} - 3x + 8) - 5$$

$$= 2x^{2} - 6x + 16 - 5$$

$$= 2x^{2} - 6x + 11$$
Domain:  $(-\infty, \infty)$ 

Domain: R

$$g(f(x)) = g(2x-5)$$

$$= (---)^2 - 3(---) + 8$$

$$= (2x-5)^2 - 3(2x-5) + 8$$

$$= 4x^2 - 20x + 25 - 6x + 15 + 8$$

$$= 4x^2 - 26x + 48$$
Domain:  $(-\infty, \infty)$ 

Domain: R

$$f(g(7)) = 2(7)^2 - 6(7) + 11 = 67$$

## Exercise

Given that  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$  and g(x) = x - 1, find

a) 
$$(f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x))$$

$$b) \quad (g\circ f)(x)=g(f(x))$$

$$c) \quad (f \circ g)(2) = f(g(2))$$

a) 
$$(f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x))$$
  
=  $f(x-1)$   
=  $\sqrt{x-1}$ 

**b**) 
$$(g \circ f)(x) = g(f(x))$$
  
=  $g(\sqrt{x})$   
=  $\sqrt{x} - 1$ 

c) 
$$(f \circ g)(2) = f(g(2))$$
  
=  $\sqrt{x-1}$   
=  $\sqrt{2-1}$   
= 1

Given that  $f(x) = \frac{x}{x+5}$  and  $g(x) = \frac{6}{x}$ , find

a) 
$$(f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x))$$

$$b) \quad (g \circ f)(x) = g(f(x))$$

c) 
$$(f \circ g)(2) = f(g(2))$$

a) 
$$(f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x))$$
  

$$= f\left(\frac{6}{x}\right)$$

$$= \frac{\frac{6}{x}}{\frac{6}{x} + 5}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{6}{x}}{\frac{6 + 5x}{x}}$$

$$= \frac{6}{6 + 5x}$$

$$b) \quad (g \circ f)(x) = g(f(x))$$

$$= g\left(\frac{x}{x+5}\right)$$

$$= \frac{6}{\frac{x}{x+5}}$$

$$= \frac{6(x+5)}{x}$$

$$= \frac{6x+30}{x}$$

c) 
$$(f \circ g)(2) = f(g(2))$$

$$= \frac{6}{6+5(2)}$$
$$= \frac{6}{16}$$
$$= \frac{3}{8}$$

Find  $(f \circ g)(x)$ ,  $(g \circ f)(x)$ , f(g(-2)) and g(f(3)):  $f(x) = 2x^2 + 3x - 4$ , g(x) = 2x - 1 **Solution** 

$$f(g(x)) = f(2x-1)$$

$$= 2(2x-1)^{2} + 3(2x-1) - 4$$

$$= 2(4x^{2} - 4x + 1) + 6x - 3 - 4$$

$$= 8x^{2} - 8x + 2 + 6x - 7$$

$$= 8x^{2} - 2x - 5$$

$$g(f(x)) = g(2x^{2} + 3x - 4)$$

$$= 2(2x^{2} + 3x - 4) - 1$$

$$= 4x^{2} + 6x - 8 - 1$$

$$= 4x^{2} + 6x - 9$$

$$f(g(-2)) = 8(-2)^{2} - 2(-2) - 5$$

$$= 31$$

$$g(f(3)) = 4(3)^{2} + 6(3) - 9$$

$$= 45$$

## Exercise

Find 
$$(f \circ g)(x)$$
,  $(g \circ f)(x)$ ,  $f(g(-2))$  and  $g(f(3))$ :  $f(x) = x^3 + 2x^2$ ,  $g(x) = 3x$ 

$$f(g(x)) = f(3x)$$
$$= (3x)^3 + 2(3x)^2$$

$$= \frac{27x^3 + 18x^2}{g(f(x))} = g(x^3 + 2x^2)$$

$$= 3(x^3 + 2x^2)$$

$$= 3x^3 + 6x^2$$

$$f(g(-2)) = 27(-2)^3 + 18(-2)^2$$

$$= 288$$

$$g(f(3)) = 3(3)^3 + 6(3)^2$$

$$= 135$$

Find 
$$(f \circ g)(x)$$
,  $(g \circ f)(x)$ ,  $f(g(-2))$  and  $g(f(3))$ :  $f(x) = |x|$ ,  $g(x) = -7$ 

#### **Solution**

$$f(g(x)) = f(-7)$$

$$= |-7|$$

$$= 7$$

$$g(f(x)) = g(|x|)$$

$$= -7$$

$$f(g(-2)) = 7|$$

$$g(f(3)) = -7|$$

## Exercise

Given f(x) = x - 3 and g(x) = x + 3

- a) Find  $(f \circ g)(x)$  and the domain of  $f \circ g$
- b) Find  $(g \circ f)(x)$  and the domain of  $g \circ f$

a) 
$$f(g(x)) = f(x+3)$$
 Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$   
=  $(x-3)+3$   
=  $\underline{x}$  Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

Domain: R

**b**) 
$$g(f(x)) = g(x-3)$$
 **Domain**:  $\mathbb{R}$   $= (x+3)-3$ 

 $\underline{=x}$  Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

Domain: R

#### Exercise

Given  $f(x) = \frac{2}{3}x$  and  $g(x) = \frac{3}{2}x$ 

- a) Find  $(f \circ g)(x)$  and the domain of  $f \circ g$
- b) Find  $(g \circ f)(x)$  and the domain of  $g \circ f$

#### **Solution**

a) 
$$f(g(x)) = f(\frac{3}{2}x)$$
 Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$   
 $= \frac{2}{3}(\frac{3}{2}x)$   
 $= x$  | Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

Domain: R

**b**) 
$$g(f(x)) = g(\frac{2}{3}x)$$
 **Domain**:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

$$= \frac{3}{2}(\frac{2}{3}x)$$

$$= x \mid$$
 **Domain**:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

Domain: R

## Exercise

Given f(x) = x - 1 and  $g(x) = 3x^2 - 2x - 1$ 

- a) Find  $(f \circ g)(x)$  and the domain of  $f \circ g$
- b) Find  $(g \circ f)(x)$  and the domain of  $g \circ f$

a) 
$$f(g(x)) = f(3x^2 - 2x - 1)$$
 Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$   
=  $3(x-1)^2 - 2(x-1) - 1$ 

$$= 3(x^{2} - 2x + 1) - 2x + 2 - 1$$

$$= 3x^{2} - 6x + 3 - 2x + 1$$

$$= 3x^{2} - 8x + 4$$
Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

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**b)** 
$$g(f(x)) = g(x-1)$$
 **Domain**:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

$$= 3x^2 - 2x - 1 - 1$$

$$= 3x^2 - 2x - 2$$
 **Domain**:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

## Exercise

Given f(x) = 3x - 2 and  $g(x) = x^2 - 5$ 

- a) Find  $(f \circ g)(x)$  and the domain of  $f \circ g$
- b) Find  $(g \circ f)(x)$  and the domain of  $g \circ f$

#### **Solution**

a) 
$$f(g(x)) = f(x^2 - 5)$$
 Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$   
=  $3(x^2 - 5) - 2$   
=  $3x^2 - 15 - 2$   
=  $3x^2 - 17$  Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

Domain: R

b) 
$$g(f(x)) = g(3x-2)$$
 Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$   
 $= (3x-2)^2 - 5$   
 $= 9x^2 - 12x + 4 - 5$   
 $= 9x^2 - 12x - 1$  Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

Domain: R

Given  $f(x) = x^2 - 2$  and g(x) = 4x - 3

- a) Find  $(f \circ g)(x)$  and the domain of  $f \circ g$
- b) Find  $(g \circ f)(x)$  and the domain of  $g \circ f$

#### **Solution**

a) 
$$f(g(x)) = f(4x-3)$$
 Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$   
 $= (4x-3)^2 - 2$   
 $= 16x^2 - 24x + 9 - 2$   
 $= 16x^2 - 24x + 7$  Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

Domain: R

**b**) 
$$g(f(x)) = g(x^2 - 2)$$
 **Domain**:  $\mathbb{R}$   
=  $4(x^2 - 2) - 3$   
=  $4x^2 - 8 - 3$   
=  $4x^2 - 11$  **Domain**:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

Domain: R

#### Exercise

Given  $f(x) = 4x^2 - x + 10$  and g(x) = 2x - 7

- a) Find  $(f \circ g)(x)$  and the domain of  $f \circ g$
- b) Find  $(g \circ f)(x)$  and the domain of  $g \circ f$

#### Solution

a) 
$$f(g(x)) = f(2x-7)$$
 Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$   
 $= 4(2x-7)^2 - (2x-7) + 10$   
 $= 4(4x^2 - 28x + 49) - 2x + 7 + 10$   
 $= 16x^2 - 112x + 196 - 2x + 17$   
 $= 16x^2 - 114x + 213$  Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

Domain: R

**b**) 
$$g(f(x)) = g(4x^2 - x + 10)$$
 **Domain**:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

$$= 2(4x^{2} - x + 10) - 7$$

$$= 8x^{2} - 2x + 20 - 7$$

$$= 8x^{2} - 2x + 13$$

Domain: R

Domain: R

## Exercise

Given  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$  and g(x) = x + 3

- a) Find  $(f \circ g)(x)$  and the domain of  $f \circ g$
- b) Find  $(g \circ f)(x)$  and the domain of  $g \circ f$

## **Solution**

a) 
$$f(g(x)) = f(x+3)$$
 Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

$$=\sqrt{x+3}$$
 **Domain**:  $x \ge -3$ 

*Domain*:  $x \ge -3$ 

**b**) 
$$g(f(x)) = g(\sqrt{x})$$
 **Domain**:  $x \ge 0$ 

$$=\sqrt{x}+3$$
 Domain:  $x \ge 0$ 

*Domain*:  $x \ge 0$ 

## Exercise

Given  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$  and g(x) = 2 - 3x

- a) Find  $(f \circ g)(x)$  and the domain of  $f \circ g$
- b) Find  $(g \circ f)(x)$  and the domain of  $g \circ f$

#### **Solution**

a) 
$$f(g(x)) = f(2-3x)$$
 Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

$$=\sqrt{2-3x}$$
 Domain:  $x \le \frac{2}{3}$ 

**Domain**:  $x \le \frac{2}{3}$ 

**b**) 
$$g(f(x)) = g(\sqrt{x})$$
 **Domain**:  $x \ge 0$   
=  $2 - 3\sqrt{x}$  | **Domain**:  $x \ge 0$ 

*Domain*:  $x \ge 0$ 

Given f(x) = 3x + 2 and  $g(x) = \sqrt{x}$ 

- a) Find  $(f \circ g)(x)$  and the domain of  $f \circ g$
- b) Find  $(g \circ f)(x)$  and the domain of  $g \circ f$

## **Solution**

a)  $f(g(x)) = f(\sqrt{x})$  Domain:  $x \ge 0$ =  $3\sqrt{x} + 2$  Domain:  $x \ge 0$ 

*Domain*:  $x \ge 0$ 

**b**) g(f(x)) = g(3x+2) **Domain**:  $\mathbb{R}$   $= \sqrt{3x+2}$  **Domain**:  $x \ge -\frac{2}{3}$ 

**Domain:**  $x \ge -\frac{2}{3}$ 

#### Exercise

Given  $f(x) = x^4$  and  $g(x) = \sqrt[4]{x}$ 

- a) Find  $(f \circ g)(x)$  and the domain of  $f \circ g$
- b) Find  $(g \circ f)(x)$  and the domain of  $g \circ f$

#### **Solution**

a)  $f(g(x)) = f(\sqrt[4]{x})$  Domain:  $x \ge 0$   $= (\sqrt[4]{x})^4$ = x Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

*Domain*:  $\underline{x \ge 0}$ 

**b)**  $g(f(x)) = g(x^4)$  **Domain**:  $\mathbb{R}$   $= \sqrt[4]{x^4}$   $= x \mid$  **Domain**:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

Given  $f(x) = x^n$  and  $g(x) = \sqrt[n]{x}$ 

- a) Find  $(f \circ g)(x)$  and the domain of  $f \circ g$
- b) Find  $(g \circ f)(x)$  and the domain of  $g \circ f$

#### **Solution**

**Domain:**  $\begin{cases} If \ n \ is \ even & x \ge 0 \\ If \ n \ is \ odd & \mathbb{R} \end{cases}$ 

**b)** 
$$g(f(x)) = g(x^n)$$
 **Domain**:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

$$= \sqrt[n]{x^n}$$

$$= x$$
 **Domain**:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

Domain: R

## Exercise

Given  $f(x) = x^2 - 3x$  and  $g(x) = \sqrt{x+2}$ 

- a) Find  $(f \circ g)(x)$  and the domain of  $f \circ g$
- b) Find  $(g \circ f)(x)$  and the domain of  $g \circ f$

## **Solution**

a) 
$$f(g(x)) = f(\sqrt{x+2})$$
  $x+2 \ge 0 \Rightarrow x \ge -2$   
 $= (\sqrt{x+2})^2 - 3\sqrt{x+2}$   
 $= x+2-3\sqrt{x+2}$   $x+2 \ge 0 \Rightarrow x \ge -2$ 

*Domain*:  $\{x \mid x \ge -2\}$ 

**b**) 
$$g(f(x)) = g(x^2 - 3x)$$
  $\mathbb{R}$ 

$$= \sqrt{x^2 - 3x + 2}$$

$$x^2 - 3x + 2 \ge 0 \Rightarrow (x = 1, 2) \leftrightarrow x \le 1, x \ge 2$$

**Domain**:  $\{x \mid x \le 1, x \ge 2\}$ 

Given  $f(x) = \sqrt{x-2}$  and  $g(x) = \sqrt{x+5}$ 

- a) Find  $(f \circ g)(x)$  and the domain of  $f \circ g$
- b) Find  $(g \circ f)(x)$  and the domain of  $g \circ f$

#### Solution

a) 
$$f(g(x)) = f(\sqrt{x+5})$$
  $x+5 \ge 0 \Rightarrow x \ge -5$   
 $= \sqrt{x+5} - 2$   $\sqrt{x+5} - 2 \ge 0 \Rightarrow \sqrt{x+5} \ge 2$   
 $x+5 \ge 4$   
 $x \ge -1$ 

*Domain*:  $\{x \mid x \ge -1\}$ 

**b)** 
$$g(f(x)) = g(\sqrt{x-2})$$
  $x-2 \ge 0 \Rightarrow x \ge 2$  
$$= \sqrt{x-2+5}$$
  $\sqrt{x-2}+5 \ge 0 \Rightarrow \sqrt{x-2} \ge -5$  Always true when  $x \ge 2$ 

**Domain**:  $\{x \mid x \geq 2\}$ 

#### Exercise

Given  $f(x) = x^2 + 2$  and  $g(x) = \sqrt{3 - x}$ 

- a) Find  $(f \circ g)(x)$  and the domain of  $f \circ g$
- b) Find  $(g \circ f)(x)$  and the domain of  $g \circ f$

#### **Solution**

a) 
$$f(g(x)) = f(\sqrt{3-x})$$
 Domain:  $x \le 3$   
 $= (\sqrt{3-x})^2 + 2$   
 $= 3-x+2$   
 $= 5-x$  Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

*Domain*:  $\underline{x \leq 3}$ 

b) 
$$g(f(x)) = g(x^2 + 2)$$
 Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

$$= \sqrt{3 - x^2 - 2}$$

$$= \sqrt{1 - x^2}$$
 Domain:  $-1 \le x \le 1$ 

**Domain**:  $-1 \le x \le 1$ 

Given  $f(x) = x^5 - 2$  and  $g(x) = \sqrt[5]{x+2}$ 

- a) Find  $(f \circ g)(x)$  and the domain of  $f \circ g$
- b) Find  $(g \circ f)(x)$  and the domain of  $g \circ f$

#### **Solution**

a)  $f(g(x)) = f(\sqrt[5]{x+2})$  Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$   $= (\sqrt[5]{x+2})^5 - 2$  = x + 2 - 2 = x Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

Domain: R

**b)**  $g(f(x)) = g(x^5 - 2)$  **Domain**:  $\mathbb{R}$   $= \sqrt[5]{x^5 - 2 + 2}$   $= \sqrt[5]{x^5}$   $= x \mid$  **Domain**:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

Domain: R

## Exercise

Given  $f(x) = 1 - x^2$  and  $g(x) = \sqrt{x^2 - 25}$ 

- a) Find  $(f \circ g)(x)$  and the domain of  $f \circ g$
- b) Find  $(g \circ f)(x)$  and the domain of  $g \circ f$

## **Solution**

a) 
$$f(g(x)) = f(\sqrt{x^2 - 25})$$
 Domain:  $x \le -5$   $x \ge 5$   
 $= 1 - (\sqrt{x^2 - 25})^2$   
 $= 1 - (x^2 - 25)$   
 $= 1 - x^2 + 25$   
 $= 26 - x^2$  Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

**Domain:**  $x \le -5$   $x \ge 5$ 

b) 
$$g(f(x)) = g(1-x^2)$$
 Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

$$= \sqrt{(1-x^2)^2 - 25}$$

$$= \sqrt{1-2x^2 + x^4 - 25}$$

$$= \sqrt{x^4 - 2x^2 - 24}$$

$$x^2 = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4+96}}{2}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{2-10}{2} = -4 \\ \frac{2+10}{2} = 6 \end{cases}$$

$$x^2 = 6 \rightarrow x = \pm \sqrt{6}$$

**Domain:**  $\underline{x \le -\sqrt{6}}$   $\underline{x \ge \sqrt{6}}$ 

Exercise

Given f(x) = 2x + 3 and  $g(x) = \frac{x - 3}{2}$ 

- a) Find  $(f \circ g)(x)$  and the domain of  $f \circ g$
- b) Find  $(g \circ f)(x)$  and the domain of  $g \circ f$

**Solution** 

a) 
$$f(g(x)) = f(\frac{x-3}{2})$$
 Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$   
 $= 2(\frac{x-3}{2}) + 3$   
 $= x - 3 + 3$   
 $= x \mid$  Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

Domain: R

b) 
$$g(f(x)) = g(2x+3)$$
 Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$   
 $= \frac{1}{2}(2x+3-3)$   
 $= x$  Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

**Domain**:  $x \le -\sqrt{6}$   $x \ge \sqrt{6}$ 

Given f(x) = 4x - 5 and  $g(x) = \frac{x + 5}{4}$ 

- a) Find  $(f \circ g)(x)$  and the domain of  $f \circ g$
- b) Find  $(g \circ f)(x)$  and the domain of  $g \circ f$

#### Solution

a)  $f(g(x)) = f(\frac{x+5}{4})$  Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$   $= 4(\frac{x+5}{4}) - 5$  = x+5-5 $= x \mid$  Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

Domain: R

b) g(f(x)) = g(4x-5) Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$   $= \frac{1}{4}(4x-5+5)$   $= x \mid$  Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

Domain: R

## Exercise

Given  $f(x) = \frac{4}{1-5x}$  and  $g(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ 

- a) Find  $(f \circ g)(x)$  and the domain of  $f \circ g$
- b) Find  $(g \circ f)(x)$  and the domain of  $g \circ f$

## **Solution**

a)  $f(g(x)) = f(\frac{1}{x})$  Domain:  $x \neq 0$   $= \frac{4}{1 - 5\frac{1}{x}}$   $= \frac{4x}{1 - 5\frac{1}{x}}$ 

 $= \frac{4x}{x-5}$  **Domain**:  $x \neq 5$ 

**Domain:**  $x \neq 0$ , 5

**b**)  $g(f(x)) = g(\frac{4}{1-5x})$  **Domain**:  $x \neq \frac{1}{5}$  **Domain**:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

**Domain**:  $x \neq \frac{1}{5}$ 

Given  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x-2}$  and  $g(x) = \frac{x+2}{x}$ 

- a) Find  $(f \circ g)(x)$  and the domain of  $f \circ g$
- b) Find  $(g \circ f)(x)$  and the domain of  $g \circ f$

## **Solution**

a) 
$$f(g(x)) = f\left(\frac{x+2}{x}\right)$$
 Domain:  $x \neq 0$ 

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

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

$$= \frac{x}{2-x}$$
 Domain:  $x \neq 2$ 

**Domain**:  $\underline{x \neq 0, 2}$   $(-\infty, 0) \cup (0, 2) \cup (2, \infty)$ 

b) 
$$g(f(x)) = g\left(\frac{1}{x-2}\right)$$
 Domain:  $x \neq 2$ 

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

$$= \frac{\frac{1+2x-4}{x-2}}{\frac{1}{x-2}}$$

$$= \frac{2x-3}$$
 Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

**Domain**:  $\underline{x \neq 2}$   $(-\infty, 2) \cup (2, \infty)$ 

## Exercise

Given  $f(x) = \frac{3x+5}{2}$  and  $g(x) = \frac{2x-5}{3}$ 

- a) Find  $(f \circ g)(x)$  and the domain of  $f \circ g$
- b) Find  $(g \circ f)(x)$  and the domain of  $g \circ f$

a) 
$$f(g(x)) = f(\frac{2x-5}{3})$$
 Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

$$= \frac{3\frac{2x-5}{3}+5}{2}$$

$$= \frac{2x - 5 + 5}{2}$$

$$= \frac{2x}{2}$$

$$= x$$

Domain: R

$$b) \quad g(f(x)) = g\left(\frac{3x+5}{2}\right)$$

$$= \frac{2\frac{3x+5}{2} - 5}{3}$$

$$= \frac{3x+5-5}{3}$$

$$= \frac{3x}{3}$$

$$= x$$

**Domain**: ℝ

Domain: R

## Exercise

Given  $f(x) = \frac{1}{1+x}$  and  $g(x) = \frac{1-x}{x}$ 

a) Find  $(f \circ g)(x)$  and the domain of  $f \circ g$ 

b) Find  $(g \circ f)(x)$  and the domain of  $g \circ f$ 

## **Solution**

a) 
$$f(g(x)) = f\left(\frac{1-x}{x}\right)$$
$$= \frac{1}{1+\frac{1-x}{x}}$$
$$= \frac{x}{x+1-x}$$

**Domain**:  $x \neq 0$ 

= x

**Domain**:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

*Domain*:  $x \neq 0$ 

**b)** 
$$g(f(x)) = g\left(\frac{1}{x+1}\right)$$
 **Domain**:  $x \neq -1$ 

$$= \frac{1 - \frac{1}{x+1}}{\frac{1}{x+1}}$$

$$= x + 1 - 1$$

$$= x \mid$$
**Domain**:  $x \neq -1$ 

**Domain**: ℝ

Domain: R

Given  $f(x) = \frac{x-1}{x-2}$  and  $g(x) = \frac{x-3}{x-4}$ 

- a) Find  $(f \circ g)(x)$  and the domain of  $f \circ g$
- b) Find  $(g \circ f)(x)$  and the domain of  $g \circ f$

## **Solution**

a) 
$$f(g(x)) = f\left(\frac{x-3}{x-4}\right)$$
 Domain:  $x \neq 4$ 

$$= \frac{\frac{x-3}{x-4} - 1}{\frac{x-3}{x-4} - 2}$$

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

$$= \frac{x-3+x+4}{x-3-2x+8}$$

$$= \frac{2x+1}{-x+5}$$
 Domain:  $x \neq 5$ 

**Domain**:  $\{x \mid x \neq 4, 5\}$ 

b) 
$$g(f(x)) = g(\frac{x-1}{x-2})$$
 Domain:  $x \neq 2$ 

$$= \frac{\frac{x-1}{x-2} - 3}{\frac{x-1}{x-2} - 4}$$

$$= \frac{x-1-3(x-2)}{x-1-4(x-2)}$$

$$= \frac{x-1-3x+6}{x-1-4x+8}$$

$$= \frac{-2x+5}{-3x+7}$$
 Domain:  $x \neq \frac{7}{3}$ 

**Domain**:  $x \neq 5$ 

Given  $f(x) = \frac{6}{x-3}$  and  $g(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ 

- a) Find  $(f \circ g)(x)$  and the domain of  $f \circ g$
- b) Find  $(g \circ f)(x)$  and the domain of  $g \circ f$

## **Solution**

a)  $(f \circ g)(x)$ 

$$f(g(x)) = f\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$$

$$= \frac{6}{\frac{1}{x} - 3}$$

$$= \frac{6}{\frac{1 - 3x}{x}}$$

$$= \frac{6x}{1 - 3x}$$
Domain:  $x \neq 0$ 

**Domain:**  $x \neq 0, \frac{1}{3}$   $\left(-\infty, 0\right) \cup \left(0, \frac{1}{3}\right) \cup \left(\frac{1}{3}, \infty\right)$ 

b) 
$$(g \circ f)(x)$$
  
 $g(f(x)) = g(\frac{6}{x-3})$  Domain:  $x \neq 3$   
 $= \frac{1}{\frac{6}{x-3}}$   
 $= \frac{x-3}{6}$  Domain:  $(-\infty, \infty)$ 

**Domain:**  $\underline{x \neq 3}$   $\left(-\infty, 3\right) \cup \left(3, \infty\right)$ 

#### Exercise

Given  $f(x) = \frac{6}{x}$  and  $g(x) = \frac{1}{2x+1}$ 

- a) Find  $(f \circ g)(x)$  and the domain of  $f \circ g$
- b) Find  $(g \circ f)(x)$  and the domain of  $g \circ f$

a) 
$$f(g(x)) = f(\frac{1}{2x+1})$$
 Domain:  $x \neq -\frac{1}{2}$ 

$$= \frac{6}{\frac{1}{2x+1}}$$

$$= 12x+6$$
 Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

**Domain:**  $x \neq -\frac{1}{2}$ 

**b**) 
$$g(f(x)) = g(\frac{6}{x})$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\frac{6}{x} + 1}$$

$$=\frac{x}{12+x}$$

**Domain**:  $x \neq 0$ 

**Domain**:  $x \neq -12$ 

**Domain**:  $x \neq -12, 0$ 

## Exercise

Given f(x) = 3x - 7 and  $g(x) = \frac{x+7}{3}$ 

- a) Find  $(f \circ g)(x)$  and the domain of  $f \circ g$
- b) Find  $(g \circ f)(x)$  and the domain of  $g \circ f$

#### **Solution**

a) 
$$f(g(x)) = f(\frac{x+7}{3})$$
 Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$   
=  $3\frac{x+7}{3} - 7$ 

$$= x + 7 - 7$$

$$= x$$

**Domain**:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

Domain: R

**b**) 
$$g(f(x)) = g(3x-7)$$
  
=  $\frac{3x-7+7}{3}$ 

**Domain**: 
$$\mathbb{R}$$

$$= x$$

Domain: R

Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

## Exercise

Given  $f(x) = \frac{2x+3}{x-4}$  and  $g(x) = \frac{4x+3}{x-2}$ 

- a) Find  $(f \circ g)(x)$  and the domain of  $f \circ g$
- b) Find  $(g \circ f)(x)$  and the domain of  $g \circ f$

a) 
$$f(g(x)) = f\left(\frac{4x+3}{x-2}\right)$$
 Domain:  $x \neq 2$ 

$$= \frac{2\frac{4x+3}{x-2} + 3}{\frac{4x+3}{x-2} - 4}$$

$$= \frac{8x+6+3x-6}{4x+3-4x+8}$$

$$= \frac{11x}{11}$$

$$= x \mid$$
 Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

*Domain*:  $x \neq 2$ 

b) 
$$g(f(x)) = g(\frac{2x+3}{x-4})$$
 Domain:  $x \neq 4$ 

$$= \frac{4\frac{2x+3}{x-4} + 3}{\frac{2x+3}{x-4} - 2}$$

$$= \frac{8x+12+3x-4}{2x+3-2x+8}$$

$$= \frac{11x}{11}$$

$$= x \mid$$
 Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

*Domain*:  $x \neq 4$ 

#### Exercise

Given 
$$f(x) = \frac{2x+3}{x+4}$$
 and  $g(x) = \frac{-4x+3}{x-2}$ 

- a) Find  $(f \circ g)(x)$  and the domain of  $f \circ g$
- b) Find  $(g \circ f)(x)$  and the domain of  $g \circ f$

a) 
$$f(g(x)) = f(\frac{-4x+3}{x-2})$$
 Domain:  $x \neq 2$ 

$$= \frac{2\frac{-4x+3}{x-2} + 3}{\frac{4x+3}{x-2} + 4}$$

$$= \frac{-8x+6+3x-6}{4x+3+4x-8}$$

$$= \frac{-5x}{-5}$$

$$= x$$
Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

*Domain*:  $x \neq 2$ 

b) 
$$g(f(x)) = g(\frac{2x+3}{x+4})$$
 Domain:  $x \neq -4$ 

$$= \frac{-4\frac{2x+3}{x+4} + 3}{\frac{2x+3}{x+4} - 2}$$

$$= \frac{-8x - 12 + 3x + 12}{2x+3 - 2x - 8}$$

$$= \frac{-5x}{-5}$$

$$= x \mid$$
 Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

*Domain*:  $x \neq -4$ 

#### Exercise

Given 
$$f(x) = x + 1$$
 and  $g(x) = x^3 - 5x^2 + 3x + 7$ 

- a) Find  $(f \circ g)(x)$  and the domain of  $f \circ g$
- b) Find  $(g \circ f)(x)$  and the domain of  $g \circ f$

#### Solution

a) 
$$f(g(x)) = f(x^3 - 5x^2 + 3x + 7)$$
 Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$   
 $= x^3 - 5x^2 + 3x + 7 + 1$   
 $= x^3 - 5x^2 + 3x + 8$  Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

b) 
$$g(f(x)) = g(x+1)$$
 Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$   
 $= (x+1)^3 - 5(x+1)^2 + 3(x+1) + 7$   
 $= x^3 + 3x^2 + 3x + 1 - 5(x^2 + 2x + 1) + 3x + 3 + 7$   
 $= x^3 + 3x^2 + 6x + 11 - 5x^2 - 10x - 5$   
 $= x^3 - 2x^2 - 4x + 6$  Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

Given f(x) = x - 1 and  $g(x) = x^3 + 2x^2 - 3x - 9$ 

- a) Find  $(f \circ g)(x)$  and the domain of  $f \circ g$
- b) Find  $(g \circ f)(x)$  and the domain of  $g \circ f$

#### **Solution**

a) 
$$f(g(x)) = f(x^3 + 2x^2 - 3x - 9)$$
 Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$   
 $= x^3 + 2x^2 - 3x - 9 - 1$   
 $= x^3 + 2x^2 - 3x - 10$  Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

Domain: R

**b)** 
$$g(f(x)) = g(x-1)$$
 **Domain**:  $\mathbb{R}$   
 $= (x-1)^3 + 2(x-1)^2 - (x-1) - 9$   
 $= x^3 - 3x^2 + 3x - 1 + 2(x^2 - 2x + 1) - 3x + 3 - 9$   
 $= x^3 - 3x^2 - 7 + 2x^2 - 4x + 2$   
 $= x^3 - x^2 - 4x - 5$  **Domain**:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ 

#### Exercise

Evaluate each composite function, where f(x) = 2x - 3 and  $g(x) = x^2 - 5x$ :  $(f \circ g)(4)$ 

#### **Solution**

$$(f \circ g)(4) = f(g(4))$$

$$= f(16-20)$$

$$= f(-4)$$

$$= -8-3$$

$$= -11$$

#### Exercise

Evaluate each composite function, where f(x) = 2x - 3 and  $g(x) = x^2 - 5x$ :  $(g \circ f)(4)$ 

$$(g \circ f)(4) = g(f(4))$$

$$= g(8-3)$$
  
=  $g(5)$   
=  $25-25$   
=  $0$ 

Evaluate each composite function, where f(x) = 2x - 3 and  $g(x) = x^2 - 5x$ :  $(f \circ g)(-2)$ 

### **Solution**

$$(f \circ g)(-2) = f(g(-2))$$

$$= f(4+10)$$

$$= f(14)$$

$$= 28-3$$

$$= 25$$

### Exercise

Evaluate each composite function, where f(x) = 2x - 3 and  $g(x) = x^2 - 5x$ :  $(g \circ f)(-2)$ 

#### **Solution**

$$(g \circ f)(-2) = g(f(-2))$$

$$= g(-4-3)$$

$$= g(-7)$$

$$= 49 + 35$$

$$= 84$$

## Exercise

Evaluate each composite function, where f(x) = 2x - 3 and  $g(x) = x^2 - 5x$ :  $(f \circ f)(-3)$ 

$$(f \circ f)(-3) = f(f(-3))$$

$$= f(-6-3)$$

$$= f(-9)$$

$$= -18-3$$

$$= -21$$

Evaluate each composite function, where f(x) = 2x - 3 and  $g(x) = x^2 - 5x$ :  $(g \circ g)(7)$ 

### **Solution**

$$(g \circ g)(7) = g(g(7))$$

$$= g(49 - 35)$$

$$= g(14)$$

$$= 196 - 70$$

$$= 126$$

### Exercise

Evaluate each composite function, where f(x) = 2x - 3 and  $g(x) = x^2 - 5x$ :  $(f \circ g)(\sqrt{2})$ 

### **Solution**

$$(f \circ g)(\sqrt{2}) = f(g(\sqrt{2}))$$

$$= f(2 - 5\sqrt{2})$$

$$= 2(2 - 5\sqrt{2}) - 3$$

$$= 4 - 10\sqrt{2} - 3$$

$$= 1 - 10\sqrt{2}$$

### Exercise

Evaluate each composite function, where f(x) = 2x - 3 and  $g(x) = x^2 - 5x$ :  $(g \circ f)(\sqrt{3})$ 

$$(g \circ f)(\sqrt{3}) = g(f(\sqrt{3}))$$

$$= g(2\sqrt{3} - 3)$$

$$= (2\sqrt{3} - 3)^2 - 5(2\sqrt{3} - 3)$$

$$= 12 - 12\sqrt{3} + 9 - 10\sqrt{3} + 15$$

$$= 36 - 22\sqrt{3}$$

Evaluate each composite function, where f(x) = 2x - 3 and  $g(x) = x^2 - 5x$ :  $(f \circ g)(2a)$ 

### **Solution**

$$(f \circ g)(2a) = f(g(2a))$$

$$= f(4a^2 - 10a)$$

$$= 2(4a^2 - 10a) - 3$$

$$= 8a^2 - 20a - 3$$

### Exercise

Evaluate each composite function, where f(x) = 2x - 3 and  $g(x) = x^2 - 5x$ :  $(g \circ f)(3b)$ 

### Solution

$$(g \circ f)(3b) = g(f(3b))$$

$$= g(6b-3)$$

$$= (6b-3)^2 - 5(6b-3)$$

$$= 36b^2 - 36b + 9 - 30b + 15$$

$$= 36b^2 - 66b + 24$$

### Exercise

Evaluate each composite function, where f(x) = 2x - 3 and  $g(x) = x^2 - 5x$ :  $(f \circ g)(k+1)$ 

$$(f \circ g)(k+1) = f(g(k+1))$$

$$= f((k+1)^2 - 5k - 5)$$

$$= 2((k+1)^2 - 5k - 5) - 3$$

$$= 2(k^2 + 2k + 1) - 10k - 10 - 3$$

$$= 2k^2 + 4k + 2 - 10k - 13$$

$$= 2k^2 - 6k - 11$$

Evaluate each composite function, where f(x) = 2x - 3 and  $g(x) = x^2 - 5x$ :  $(g \circ f)(k-1)$ 

$$(g \circ f)(k-1) = g(f(k-1))$$

$$= g(2k-2-3)$$

$$= g(2k-5)$$

$$= (2k-5)^2 - 5(2k-5)$$

$$= 4k^2 - 20k + 25 - 10k + 25$$

$$= 4k^2 - 30k + 50$$

# **Solution** Section 2.4 – Properties of Division

## Exercise

Find the quotient and remainder if f(x) is divided by p(x):  $f(x) = 2x^4 - x^3 + 7x - 12$ ;  $p(x) = x^2 - 3$ Solution

$$\frac{2x^{2} - x + 6}{x^{2} - 3 + 0x^{2} + 7x - 12}$$

$$\frac{2x^{4} - 6x^{2}}{-x^{3} + 6x^{2} + 7x}$$

$$\frac{-x^{3} + 6x^{2} + 7x}{6x^{2} + 4x - 12}$$

$$\frac{6x^{2} - 18}{4x + 6}$$

$$Q(x) = 2x^2 - x + 6; \quad R(x) = 4x + 6$$

## Exercise

Find the quotient and remainder if f(x) is divided by p(x):  $f(x) = 3x^3 + 2x - 4$ ;  $p(x) = 2x^2 + 1$ Solution

$$\begin{array}{r}
\frac{3}{2}x \\
2x^2 + 1 \overline{\smash{\big)}3x^3 + 0x^2 + 2x - 4} \\
\underline{3x^3 + \frac{3}{2}x} \\
\underline{\frac{1}{2}x - 4}
\end{array}$$

$$Q(x) = \frac{3}{2}x; \quad R(x) = \frac{1}{2}x - 4$$

Find the quotient and remainder if f(x) is divided by p(x): f(x) = 7x + 2;  $p(x) = 2x^2 - x - 4$ 

#### **Solution**

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
\frac{2}{7}x - \frac{11}{49} \\
7x + 2 \overline{)2x^2 - x - 4} \\
\underline{2x^2 + \frac{4}{7}x} \\
-\frac{11}{7}x - 4 \\
\underline{-\frac{11}{7}x - \frac{22}{49}} \\
-\frac{174}{49}
\end{array}$$

$$Q(x) = \frac{2}{7}x - \frac{11}{49}$$
  $R(x) = -\frac{174}{49}$ 

### Exercise

Find the quotient and remainder if f(x) is divided by p(x): f(x) = 9x + 4; p(x) = 2x - 5

## **Solution**

$$2x-5)\frac{\frac{9}{2}}{9x+4}$$

$$\frac{9x-\frac{45}{2}}{-\frac{37}{2}}$$

$$Q(x) = \frac{9}{2}; \quad R(x) = -\frac{37}{2}$$

## Exercise

Use the remainder theorem to find f(c):  $f(x) = x^4 - 6x^2 + 4x - 8$ ; c = -3

$$f(-3) = (-3)^4 - 6(-3)^2 + 4(-3) - 8$$
$$= 7$$

Use the remainder theorem to find f(c):  $f(x) = x^4 + 3x^2 - 12$ ; c = -2

### **Solution**

$$f(-2) = (-2)^4 + 3(-2)^2 - 12$$
  
= 16

### Exercise

Use the factor theorem to show that x - c is a factor of f(x):  $f(x) = x^3 + x^2 - 2x + 12$ ; c = -3

#### **Solution**

$$f(-3) = (-3)^3 + (-3)^2 - 2(-3) + 12$$
  
= 0

From the factor theorem; x+3 is a factor of f(x).

### Exercise

Use the synthetic division to find the quotient and remainder if the first polynomial is divided by the second:  $2x^3 - 3x^2 + 4x - 5$ ; x - 2

#### **Solution**

$$Q(x) = 2x^2 + x + 6 \qquad R(x) = 7$$

### Exercise

Use the synthetic division to find the quotient and remainder if the first polynomial is divided by the second:  $5x^3 - 6x^2 + 15$ ; x - 4

$$Q(x) = 5x^2 + 14x + 56$$
  $R(x) = 239$ 

Use the synthetic division to find the quotient and remainder if the first polynomial is divided by the second:  $9x^3 - 6x^2 + 3x - 4$ ;  $x - \frac{1}{3}$ 

### **Solution**

$$\frac{\frac{1}{3}}{9} \begin{vmatrix} 9 & -6 & 3 & -4 \\ 3 & -1 & \frac{2}{3} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$9 -3 \quad 2 \quad \boxed{-\frac{10}{3}}$$

$$Q(x) = 9x^2 - 3x + 2 \qquad R(x) = -\frac{10}{3}$$

### Exercise

Use the synthetic division to find f(c):  $f(x) = 2x^3 + 3x^2 - 4x + 4$ ; c = 3

### **Solution**

$$f(3) = 97$$

## Exercise

Use the synthetic division to find f(c):  $f(x) = 8x^5 - 3x^2 + 7$ ;  $c = \frac{1}{2}$ 

$$f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{13}{2}$$

Use the synthetic division to find f(c):  $f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 - 8$ ;  $c = 1 + \sqrt{2}$ 

#### **Solution**

$$f\left(1+\sqrt{2}\right) = 4+9\sqrt{2}$$

### Exercise

Use the synthetic division to show that c is a zero of f(x):  $f(x) = 3x^4 + 8x^3 - 2x^2 - 10x + 4$ ; c = -2

### **Solution**

$$f\left(-2\right)=0$$

#### Exercise

Use the synthetic division to show that c is a zero of f(x):  $f(x) = 27x^4 - 9x^3 + 3x^2 + 6x + 1$ ;  $c = -\frac{1}{3}$ 

## **Solution**

$$f\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right) = 0$$

### Exercise

Find all values of k such that f(x) is divisible by the given linear polynomial:

$$f(x) = kx^3 + x^2 + k^2x + 3k^2 + 11; x + 2$$

$$k^2 - 8k + 15 = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{k = 3, 5}$$

Find all solutions of the equation:  $x^3 - x^2 - 10x - 8 = 0$ 

### **Solution**

possibilities for  $\frac{c}{d}$ :  $\pm \left\{ \frac{8}{1} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 4, 8 \right\}$ 

The solutions are: x = -1, -2, 4

## Exercise

Find all solutions of the equation:  $x^3 + x^2 - 14x - 24 = 0$ 

## **Solution**

possibilities for  $\frac{c}{d}$ :  $\pm \left\{ \frac{24}{1} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12, 24 \right\}$ 

The solutions are: x = -2, -3, 4

## Exercise

Find all solutions of the equation:  $2x^3 - 3x^2 - 17x + 30 = 0$ 

### **Solution**

possibilities for  $\frac{c}{d}$ :  $\pm \left\{ \frac{30}{2} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 10, 15, 30, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}, \frac{5}{2}, \frac{15}{2} \right\}$ 

The solutions are:  $x = 2, -3, \frac{5}{2}$ 

## Exercise

Find all solutions of the equation:  $12x^3 + 8x^2 - 3x - 2 = 0$ 

### **Solution**

possibilities for  $\frac{c}{d}$ :  $\pm \left\{ \frac{2}{12} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{12} \right\}$  $\frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} 12 & 8 & -3 & -2 \end{vmatrix}$ 

The solutions are:  $x = \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{2}{3}$ 

### Exercise

Find all solutions of the equation:  $x^3 + x^2 - 6x - 8 = 0$ 

### **Solution**

possibilities for  $\frac{c}{d}$ :  $\pm \left\{ \frac{8}{1} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 4, 8 \right\}$ 

$$x = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1 + 16}}{2}$$

The solutions are: x = -2,  $\frac{1 \pm \sqrt{17}}{2}$ 

### Exercise

Find all solutions of the equation:  $x^3 - 19x - 30 = 0$ 

possibilities for 
$$\frac{c}{d}$$
:  $\pm \left\{ \frac{30}{1} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 15, 30 \right\}$ 

$$x = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 + 60}}{2}$$
$$= \begin{cases} \frac{2 - 8}{2} = -3\\ \frac{2 + 8}{2} = 5 \end{cases}$$

The solutions are: x = -2, -3, 5

## Exercise

Find all solutions of the equation:  $2x^3 + x^2 - 25x + 12 = 0$ 

#### **Solution**

possibilities for 
$$\frac{c}{d}$$
:  $\pm \left\{ \frac{12}{2} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 12, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2} \right\}$ 

$$x = \frac{-7 \pm \sqrt{49 + 32}}{4}$$
$$= \begin{cases} \frac{-7 - 9}{4} = -4\\ \frac{-7 + 9}{4} = \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$

The solutions are:  $x = -4, \frac{1}{2}, 3$ 

### Exercise

Find all solutions of the equation:  $3x^3 + 11x^2 - 6x - 8 = 0$ 

possibilities for 
$$\frac{c}{d}$$
:  $\pm \left\{ \frac{8}{3} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 4, 8, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{4}{3}, \frac{8}{3} \right\}$ 

$$x = \frac{-14 \pm \sqrt{196 - 96}}{6}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{-14 - 10}{6} = -4\\ \frac{-14 + 10}{6} = -\frac{2}{3} \end{cases}$$

The solutions are:  $x = -4, -\frac{2}{3}, 1$ 

### Exercise

Find all solutions of the equation:  $2x^3 + 9x^2 - 2x - 9 = 0$ 

### **Solution**

$$x = -1, -\frac{9}{2}$$
  $a - b + c = 0 \rightarrow x = -1, -\frac{c}{a}$ 

The solutions are:  $x = -\frac{9}{2}, -1, 1$ 

## Exercise

Find all solutions of the equation:  $x^3 + 3x^2 - 6x - 8 = 0$ 

### Solution

possibilities for 
$$\frac{c}{d}$$
:  $\pm \left\{ \frac{8}{1} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 4, 8 \right\}$ 

$$x = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4 + 32}}{2}$$
$$= \begin{cases} \frac{-2 - 6}{2} = -4\\ \frac{-2 + 6}{2} = 2 \end{cases}$$

The solutions are: x = -4, -1, 2

Find all solutions of the equation:  $3x^3 - x^2 - 6x + 2 = 0$ 

### **Solution**

possibilities for  $\frac{c}{d}$ :  $\pm \left\{ \frac{2}{3} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3} \right\}$ 

$$x^2 = 2$$

The solutions are:  $x = \frac{1}{3}, \pm \sqrt{2}$ 

### Exercise

Find all solutions of the equation:  $x^3 - 8x^2 + 8x + 24 = 0$ 

### **Solution**

possibilities for  $\frac{c}{d}$ :  $\pm \left\{ \frac{24}{1} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12, 24 \right\}$ 

$$x = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 + 16}}{2}$$
$$= \frac{2 \pm 2\sqrt{5}}{2}$$

The solutions are:  $\underline{x = 6, 1 \pm \sqrt{5}}$ 

#### Exercise

Find all solutions of the equation:  $x^3 - 7x^2 - 7x + 69 = 0$ 

## **Solution**

possibilities for  $\frac{c}{d}$ :  $\pm \left\{ \frac{69}{1} \right\} = \pm \{1, 3, 23, 69\}$ 

$$x = \frac{10 \pm \sqrt{100 - 92}}{2}$$
$$= \frac{10 \pm 2\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

The solutions are:  $\underline{x = -3, 5 \pm \sqrt{2}}$ 

## Exercise

Find all solutions of the equation:  $x^3 - 3x - 2 = 0$ 

## **Solution**

possibilities for  $\frac{c}{d}$ :  $\pm \left\{ \frac{2}{1} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2 \right\}$ 

$$\underline{x=-1, 2}$$
  $a-b+c=0 \rightarrow x=-1, -\frac{c}{a}$ 

The solutions are:  $\underline{x = -1, -1, 2}$ 

## Exercise

Find all solutions of the equation:  $x^3 - 2x + 1 = 0$ 

## **Solution**

possibilities for  $\frac{c}{d}$ :  $\pm \{1\}$ 

$$x = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

The solutions are: x = 1,  $\frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$ 

Find all solutions of the equation:  $x^3 - 2x^2 - 11x + 12 = 0$ 

#### **Solution**

possibilities for  $\frac{c}{d}$ :  $\pm \left\{ \frac{12}{1} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 12 \right\}$ 

$$x = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1 + 48}}{2}$$
$$= \begin{cases} \frac{1 - 7}{2} = -3\\ \frac{1 + 7}{2} = 4 \end{cases}$$

The solutions are: x = -3, 1, 4

### Exercise

Find all solutions of the equation:  $x^3 - 2x^2 - 7x - 4 = 0$ 

## **Solution**

possibilities for  $\frac{c}{d}$ :  $\pm \left\{ \frac{4}{1} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 4 \right\}$ 

$$\underline{x = -1, 4} \qquad \qquad a - b + c = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad x = -1, -\frac{c}{a}$$

The solutions are:  $\underline{x = -1, -1, 4}$ 

### Exercise

Find all solutions of the equation:  $x^3 - 10x - 12 = 0$ 

## **Solution**

possibilities for  $\frac{c}{d}$ :  $\pm \left\{ \frac{12}{1} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 12 \right\}$ 

The solutions are:  $\underline{x = -2, 1 \pm \sqrt{7}}$ 

## Exercise

Find all solutions of the equation:  $x^3 - 5x^2 + 17x - 13 = 0$ 

### **Solution**

possibilities for 
$$\frac{c}{d}$$
:  $\pm \left\{ \frac{13}{1} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 13 \right\}$ 

$$x = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{16 - 52}}{2}$$
$$= \frac{4 \pm 6i}{2}$$

The solutions are:  $x = 1, 2 \pm 3i$ 

#### Exercise

Find all solutions of the equation:  $6x^3 + 25x^2 - 24x + 5 = 0$ 

possibilities for 
$$\frac{c}{d}$$
:  $\pm \left\{ \frac{5}{6} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 5, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{5}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{5}{3}, \frac{1}{6}, \frac{5}{6} \right\}$ 

$$x = \frac{5 \pm \sqrt{25 - 24}}{12}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{5-1}{12} = \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{5+1}{12} = \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$

The solutions are:  $x = -5, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{2}$ 

### Exercise

Find all solutions of the equation:  $8x^3 + 18x^2 + 45x + 27 = 0$ 

### **Solution**

possibilities: 
$$\pm \left\{ \frac{27}{8} \right\} = \pm \left\{ \frac{1}{1}, \frac{3}{2}, \frac{9}{4}, \frac{27}{8} \right\}$$
  
 $= \pm \left\{ 1, 3, 9, 27, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{8}, \frac{3}{2}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{8}, \frac{9}{2}, \frac{9}{4}, \frac{9}{8}, \frac{27}{2}, \frac{27}{4}, \frac{27}{8} \right\}$   
 $-\frac{3}{4} \begin{vmatrix} 8 & 18 & 45 & 27 \\ -6 & -9 & -27 \\ \hline 8 & 12 & 36 & \boxed{0} \end{vmatrix} \rightarrow 8x^2 + 12x + 36 = 0$ 

The solutions are:  $x = -\frac{3}{4}$ ,  $-\frac{3}{4} \pm i \frac{3\sqrt{7}}{4}$ 

### Exercise

Find all solutions of the equation:  $3x^3 - x^2 + 11x - 20 = 0$ 

#### **Solution**

possibilities: 
$$\pm \left\{ \frac{20}{3} \right\} = \pm \left\{ \frac{1, 2, 4, 5, 10, 20}{1, 3} \right\}$$
  
 $= \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 4, 5, 10, 20, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{4}{3}, \frac{5}{3}, \frac{10}{3}, \frac{20}{3} \right\}$   
 $\begin{vmatrix} \frac{4}{3} \\ 3 \end{vmatrix} = \frac{3}{3} + \frac{11}{3} - \frac{20}{3} \\ \begin{vmatrix} \frac{4}{3} \\ 3 \end{vmatrix} = \frac{3}{3} + \frac{11}{3} + \frac{20}{3} \\ \begin{vmatrix} \frac{4}{3} \\ 3 \end{vmatrix} = \frac{3}{3} + \frac{10}{3} + \frac{20}{3} \\ \end{vmatrix}$   
 $= \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{9 - 180}}{6}$   
 $= \frac{-3 \pm 3\sqrt{19}}{6}$ 

The solutions are:  $x = \frac{4}{3}$ ,  $-\frac{1}{2} \pm i \frac{\sqrt{19}}{2}$ 

Find all solutions of the equation:  $x^4 - x^3 - 9x^2 + 3x + 18 = 0$ 

### **Solution**

possibilities for  $\frac{c}{d}$ :  $\pm \left\{ \frac{18}{1} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 3, 6, 9, 18 \right\}$ 

The solutions are: x = -2, 3,  $\pm \sqrt{3}$ 

#### Exercise

Find all solutions of the equation:  $2x^4 - 9x^3 + 9x^2 + x - 3 = 0$ 

### Solution

possibilities for  $\frac{c}{d}$ :  $\pm \left\{ \frac{3}{2} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 3, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2} \right\}$ 

$$x = \frac{5 \pm \sqrt{25 + 24}}{4}$$
$$= \begin{cases} \frac{5 - 7}{4} = -\frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{5 + 7}{4} = 3 \end{cases}$$

The solutions are:  $x = 1, 1, -\frac{1}{2}, 3$ 

Find all solutions of the equation:  $6x^4 + 5x^3 - 17x^2 - 6x = 0$ 

#### Solution

$$x(6x^3 + 5x^2 - 17x - 6) = 0 \rightarrow \underline{x = 0}$$

possibilities:  $\pm \left\{ \frac{6}{6} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 3, 6, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3} \right\}$ 

$$x = \frac{7 \pm \sqrt{49 + 72}}{12}$$
$$= \begin{cases} \frac{7 - 11}{12} = -\frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{7 + 11}{12} = \frac{3}{2} \end{cases}$$

The solutions are:  $x = 0, -2, -\frac{1}{3}, \frac{3}{2}$ 

## Exercise

Find all solutions of the equation:  $x^4 - 2x^2 - 16x - 15 = 0$ 

### **Solution**

possibilities:  $\pm \left\{ \frac{15}{1} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 3, 5, 15 \right\}$ 

$$x = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{-16}}{2}$$
$$= -1 \pm 2i$$

The solutions are:  $\underline{x = -1, 3, -1 \pm 2i}$ 

Find all solutions of the equation:  $x^4 - 2x^3 - 5x^2 + 8x + 4 = 0$ 

### **Solution**

possibilities: 
$$\pm \left\{ \frac{4}{1} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 4 \right\}$$

$$x = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{8}}{2}$$
$$= \frac{2 \pm 2\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

The solutions are:  $x = -2, 2, 1 \pm \sqrt{2}$ 

## Exercise

Find all solutions of the equation:  $2x^4 - 17x^3 + 4x^2 + 35x - 24 = 0$ 

### **Solution**

possibilities: 
$$\pm \left\{ \frac{24}{2} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12, 24, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2} \right\}$$

$$x = \frac{13 \pm \sqrt{169 + 192}}{4}$$
$$= \begin{cases} \frac{13 - 19}{4} = -\frac{3}{2} \\ \frac{13 + 19}{4} = 8 \end{cases}$$

The solutions are:  $x = -\frac{3}{2}$ , 1, 1, 8

Find all solutions of the equation:  $x^4 + x^3 - 3x^2 - 5x - 2 = 0$ 

### **Solution**

possibilities:  $\pm \left\{ \frac{2}{1} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2 \right\}$ 

$$x = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{9}}{2}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{1-3}{2} = -1\\ \frac{1+3}{2} = 2 \end{cases}$$

The solutions are:  $\underline{x = -1, -1, -1, 2}$ 

#### Exercise

Find all solutions of the equation:  $6x^4 - 17x^3 - 11x^2 + 42x = 0$ 

## **Solution**

$$x\left(6x^3 - 17x^2 - 11x + 42\right) = 0$$

$$x = 0$$
  $6x^3 - 17x^2 - 11x + 42 = 0$ 

 $possibilities: \ \pm \left\{\frac{42}{6}\right\} = \pm \left\{1,\ 2,\ 3,\ 6,\ 7,\ 14,\ 21,\ 42,\ \frac{1}{2},\ \frac{3}{2},\ \frac{7}{2},\ \frac{21}{2},\ \frac{1}{3},\ \frac{2}{3},\ \frac{7}{3},\ \frac{14}{3},\ \frac{1}{6},\ \frac{7}{6},\ \frac{21}{6}\right\}$ 

$$x = \frac{5 \pm \sqrt{25 + 504}}{12}$$
$$5 - 23 = 3$$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{5-23}{12} = -\frac{3}{2} \\ \frac{5+23}{12} = \frac{7}{3} \end{cases}$$

The solutions are:  $x = -\frac{3}{2}$ , 0, 2,  $\frac{7}{3}$ 

Find all solutions of the equation:  $x^4 - 5x^2 - 2x = 0$ 

#### Solution

$$x(x^{3} - 5x - 2) = 0$$

$$x = 0 \quad x^{3} - 5x - 2 = 0$$

$$possibilities: \pm \left\{\frac{2}{1}\right\} = \pm \{1, 2\}$$

$$-2 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & -5 & -2 \\ -2 & 4 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$1 & -2 & -1 & \boxed{0} \rightarrow x^{2} - 2x - 1 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 + 4}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{2 \pm 2\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

The solutions are:  $\underline{x = -2, 0, 1 \pm \sqrt{2}}$ 

### Exercise

Find all solutions of the equation:  $3x^4 - 4x^3 - 11x^2 + 16x - 4 = 0$ 

### **Solution**

The solutions are: x = -2,  $\frac{1}{3}$ , 1, 2

Find all solutions of the equation:  $6x^4 + 23x^3 + 19x^2 - 8x - 4 = 0$ 

### **Solution**

possibilities:  $\pm \left\{ \frac{4}{6} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 4, \frac{1}{6}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3} \right\}$ 

$$x = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{25}}{12}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{1-5}{12} = -\frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1+5}{12} = \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$

The solutions are: x = -2, -2,  $-\frac{1}{3}$ ,  $\frac{1}{2}$ 

## Exercise

Find all solutions of the equation:  $4x^4 - 12x^3 + 3x^2 + 12x - 7 = 0$ 

### **Solution**

possibilities:  $\pm \left\{ \frac{7}{4} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 7, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{7}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{7}{4} \right\}$ 

$$x = \frac{12 \pm \sqrt{144 - 112}}{8}$$
$$= \frac{12 \pm 4\sqrt{2}}{8}$$

The solutions are: x = -1, 1,  $\frac{3 \pm \sqrt{2}}{2}$ 

Find all solutions of the equation:  $2x^4 - 9x^3 - 2x^2 + 27x - 12 = 0$ 

### Solution

possibilities:  $\pm \left\{ \frac{12}{2} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 12, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2} \right\}$ 

$$x^2 = 3$$

The solutions are:  $x = \frac{1}{2}$ , 4,  $\pm \sqrt{3}$ 

#### Exercise

Find all solutions of the equation:  $2x^4 - 19x^3 + 51x^2 - 31x + 5 = 0$ 

### **Solution**

possibilities:  $\pm \left\{ \frac{5}{2} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 5, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{5}{2} \right\}$ 

$$x = \frac{8 \pm \sqrt{64 - 16}}{4}$$
$$= \frac{8 \pm 4\sqrt{3}}{4}$$

The solutions are:  $x = \frac{1}{2}$ , 5,  $2 \pm \sqrt{3}$ 

### Exercise

Find all solutions of the equation:  $4x^4 - 35x^3 + 71x^2 - 4x - 6 = 0$ 

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possibilities: 
$$\pm \left\{ \frac{6}{4} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 3, 6, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4} \right\}$$

$$x^{2} - 6x + 2 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{36 - 8}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{6 \pm 2\sqrt{7}}{4}$$

The solutions are:  $x = -\frac{1}{4}$ , 3,  $3 \pm \sqrt{7}$ 

### Exercise

Find all solutions of the equation:  $2x^4 + 3x^3 - 4x^2 - 3x + 2 = 0$ 

### **Solution**

possibilities: 
$$\pm \left\{ \frac{2}{2} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, \frac{1}{2} \right\}$$

$$x = \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{9 + 16}}{4}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{-3 - 5}{4} = -2\\ \frac{-3 + 5}{4} = \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$

The solutions are:  $x = -2, -1, \frac{1}{2}, 1$ 

## Exercise

Find all solutions of the equation:  $x^4 + 3x^3 - 30x^2 - 6x + 56 = 0$ 

possibilities for 
$$\frac{c}{d}$$
:  $\pm \left\{ \frac{56}{1} \right\} = \pm \{1, 2, 4, 7, 8, 14, 28, 56\}$ 

$$\Rightarrow x = \pm \sqrt{2}$$

The solutions are:  $\underline{x=4, -7, \pm \sqrt{2}}$ 

#### Exercise

Find all solutions of the equation:  $3x^5 - 10x^4 - 6x^3 + 24x^2 + 11x - 6 = 0$ 

#### **Solution**

possibilities for 
$$\frac{c}{d}$$
:  $\pm \left\{ \frac{6}{3} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 3, 6, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3} \right\}$ 

$$x = \frac{10 \pm \sqrt{100 - 36}}{6}$$
$$= \begin{cases} \frac{10 - 8}{6} = \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{10 + 8}{6} = 3 \end{cases}$$

The solutions are:  $x = -1, -1, \frac{1}{3}, 2, 3$ 

### Exercise

Find all solutions of the equation:  $6x^5 + 19x^4 + x^3 - 6x^2 = 0$ 

$$x^{2}(6x^{3}+19x^{2}+x-6)=0 \rightarrow \underline{x=0, 0}$$

$$6x^{3} + 19x^{2} + x - 6 = 0$$

$$possibilities for \frac{c}{d} : \pm \left\{ \frac{6}{6} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 3, 6, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3} \right\}$$

$$-3 \begin{vmatrix} 6 & 19 & 1 & -6 \\ -18 & -3 & 6 \\ \hline 6 & 1 & -2 & \boxed{0} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$6x^{2} + x - 2 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1 + 48}}{12}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{-1 - 7}{12} = -\frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{-1 + 7}{12} = \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$

The solutions are:  $x = 0, 0, -\frac{2}{3}, -3, \frac{1}{2}$ 

### Exercise

Find all solutions of the equation:  $x^5 + 5x^4 + 10x^3 + 10x^2 + 5x + 1 = 0$ 

#### **Solution**

$$x^{5} + 5x^{4} + 10x^{3} + 10x^{2} + 5x + 1 = (x+1)^{5} = 0$$

possibilities for  $\frac{c}{d}$ :  $\pm \{1\}$ 

The solutions are: x = -1, -1, -1, -1, -1

Find all solutions of the equation:  $x^5 - x^4 - 7x^3 + 7x^2 + 12x - 12 = 0$ 

#### Solution

possibilities for  $\frac{c}{d}$ :  $\pm \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 12\}$ 

The solutions are: x = -2, 1, 2,  $\pm \sqrt{3}$ 

#### Exercise

Find all solutions of the equation:  $x^5 - 2x^3 - 8x = 0$ 

### **Solution**

$$x\left(x^{4} - 2x^{2} - 8\right) = 0$$

$$\underline{x = 0}$$

$$x^{4} - 2x^{2} - 8 = 0$$

$$x^{2} = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 + 32}}{2}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{2 - 6}{2} = -2\\ \frac{2 + 6}{2} = 4 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} x^{2} = -2 \rightarrow x = \pm i\sqrt{2}\\ x^{2} = 4 \rightarrow x = \pm 2 \end{cases}$$

The solutions are:  $x = 0, \pm 2, \pm i\sqrt{2}$ 

Find all solutions of the equation:  $x^5 - 32 = 0$ 

#### **Solution**

possibilities for  $\frac{c}{d}$ :  $\pm \{1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32\}$ 

$$x^4 + 2x^3 + 4x^2 + 8x + 16 = 0$$

Cannot be solved using rational zero theorem.

Therefore; using program

The solutions are: x = 2,  $\frac{-1 - \sqrt{5} \pm i\sqrt{2}\sqrt{5 - \sqrt{5}}}{2}$ ,  $\frac{-1 + \sqrt{5} \pm i\sqrt{2}\sqrt{5 - \sqrt{5}}}{2}$ 

### Exercise

Find all solutions of the equation:  $3x^6 - 10x^5 - 29x^4 + 34x^3 + 50x^2 - 24x - 24 = 0$ 

### **Solution**

possibilities for 
$$\frac{c}{d}$$
:  $\pm \left\{ \frac{24}{3} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12, 24, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{4}{3}, \frac{8}{3} \right\}$ 

$$x^{2} - 6x + 6 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{36 - 24}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{6 \pm 2\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

The solutions are:  $x = -2, -1, 1, -\frac{2}{3}, 3 \pm \sqrt{3}$ 

Glasses can be stacked to form a triangular pyramid. The total number of glasses in one of these pyramids is given by

$$T(k) = \frac{1}{6}(k^3 + 3k^2 + 2k)$$

Where *k* is the number of levels in the pyramid. If 220 glasses are used to form a triangle pyramid, how many levels are in the pyramid?

#### **Solution**

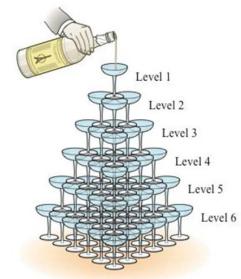
$$\frac{1}{6} \left( k^3 + 3k^2 + 2k \right) = 220$$

$$k^3 + 3k^2 + 2k - 1,320 = 0$$

$$10 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 & -1320 \\ & 10 & 130 & 1320 \\ \hline & 1 & 13 & 132 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \rightarrow k^2 + 13k + 132 = 0$$

$$k = \frac{-13 \pm \sqrt{-359}}{2} \quad \mathbb{C}$$

The are 10 levels in the pyramid.



Level 6

#### Exercise

Glasses can be stacked to form a triangular pyramid. The total number of glasses in one of these pyramids is given by

$$T(k) = \frac{1}{6}(2k^3 + 3k^2 + k)$$

Where *k* is the number of levels in the pyramid. If 140 glasses are used to form a triangle pyramid, how many levels are in the pyramid?

### **Solution**

$$\frac{1}{6} \left( 2k^3 + 3k^2 + k \right) = 150$$

$$2k^3 + 3k^2 + k - 840 = 0$$

$$7 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 & -840 \\ & 14 & 119 & 840 \\ \hline 2 & 17 & 120 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \rightarrow 2k^2 + 17k + 120 = 0$$

$$k = \frac{-17 \pm \sqrt{-671}}{4} \quad \mathbb{C}$$

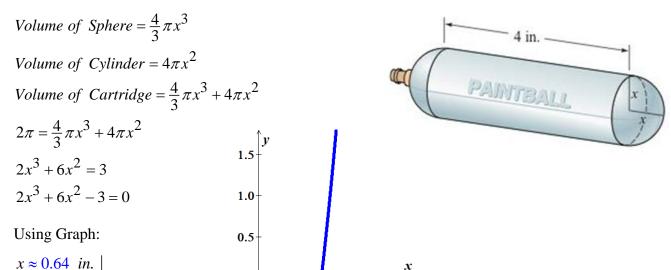
The are 7 levels in the pyramid.

A carbon dioxide cartridge for a paintball rifle has the shape of a right circular cylinder with a hemisphere at each end. The cylinder is 4 *inches* long, and the volume of the cartridge is  $2\pi$  in<sup>3</sup>.

The common interior radius of the cylinder and the hemispheres is denoted by x. Estimate the length of the radius x.

#### **Solution**

Volume of the Cartridge =  $2 \times (Volume of Hemisphere) + Volume of Cylinder$ 



0.6 0.9 1.2

### Exercise

A propane tank has the shape of a circular cylinder with a hemisphere at each end. The cylinder is 6 *feet* long and the volume of the tank is  $9\pi$   $ft^3$ . Find the length of the radius x.

#### **Solution**

Volume of the Cartridge =  $2 \times (Volume of Hemisphere) + Volume of Cylinder$ 

*Volume of Sphere* = 
$$\frac{4}{3}\pi x^3$$

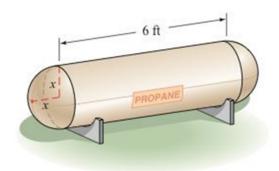
*Volume of Cylinder* = 
$$6\pi x^2$$

*Volume of Cartridge* = 
$$\frac{4}{3}\pi x^3 + 6\pi x^2$$

$$9\pi = \frac{4}{3}\pi x^3 + 6\pi x^2$$

$$27 = 4x^3 + 18x^2$$

$$4x^3 + 18x^2 - 27 = 0$$



possibilities for 
$$\frac{c}{d}$$
:  $\pm \left\{ \frac{27}{4} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 3, 9, 27, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}, \frac{9}{2}, \frac{27}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{9}{4}, \frac{27}{4} \right\}$ 

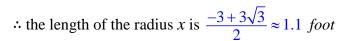
$$2x^{2} + 6x - 9 = 0$$

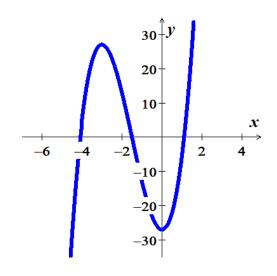
$$x = \frac{-6 \pm \sqrt{36 + 72}}{4}$$

$$= \frac{-6 \pm 6\sqrt{3}}{4}$$

$$= \frac{-3 \pm 3\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$x = -\frac{3}{2}, \frac{-3 - 3\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{-3 + 3\sqrt{3}}{2}$$





A cube measures n inches on each edge. If a slice 2 *inches* thick is cut from one face of the cube, the resulting solid has a volume of 567  $in^3$ . Find n.

### **Solution**

$$Volume = n^2(n-2)$$

$$n^3 - 2n^2 = 567$$

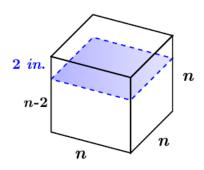
$$n^3 - 2n^2 - 567 = 0$$

possibilities for  $\frac{c}{d} := \pm \{1, 3, 7, 9, 21, 27, 63, 81, 189, 567\}$ 

$$n = \frac{-7 \pm \sqrt{49 - 252}}{2}$$

$$=\frac{-7\pm i\sqrt{203}}{2} \quad \times$$

$$\therefore n = 9$$

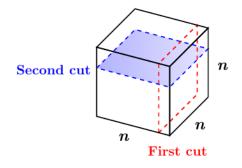


A cube measures n inches on each edge. If a slice 1 *inch* thick is cut from one face of the cube and then a slice 3 inches thick is cut from another face of the cube, the resulting solid has a volume of 1560  $in^3$ . Find the dimensions of the original cube.

#### **Solution**

Volume = 
$$n(n-1)(n-3)$$
  
 $n^3 - 4n^2 + 3n = 1560$   
 $n^3 - 4n^2 + 3n - 1560 = 0$ 

possibilities for 
$$\frac{c}{d} := \pm \begin{cases} 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, 13, 15, 20, 24, 26, 30, 39, \\ 40, 52, 60, 65, 78, 104, 120, 130, 156, 195, 260, 312, 390, 780, 1560 \end{cases}$$



$$\therefore n = 13$$

### Exercise

For what value of x will the volume of the following solid be  $112 in^3$ 

### **Solution**

Volume of the bottom portion =  $x^2(x+1)$ 

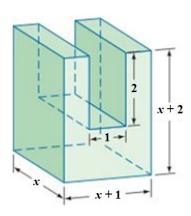
Volume of one side portion =  $2x(\frac{1}{2}x)$ 

Total Volume = 
$$x^2(x+1) + 2x^2$$

$$112 = x^3 + 3x^2$$

$$x^3 + 3x^2 - 112 = 0$$

possibilities for  $\frac{c}{d} := \pm \{1, 2, 4, 8, 14, 28, 56, 112\}$ 



$$\begin{array}{c|ccccc}
4 & 1 & 3 & 0 & -112 \\
& 4 & 28 & 112 \\
\hline
& 1 & 7 & 28 & 0 \\
\end{array}
\rightarrow x^2 + 7x + 28 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{-7 \pm \sqrt{49 - 112}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{-7 \pm 3i\sqrt{7}}{2} \times$$

$$\therefore x = 4$$

For what value of x will the volume of the following solid be 208  $in^3$ 

### Solution

Volume of the bottom portion = 
$$(2x+1)(x+5)(x+2-3)$$
  
=  $(2x^2+11x+5)(x-1)$   
=  $2x^3+11x^2+5x-2x^2-11x-5$   
=  $2x^3+9x^2-6x-5$ 

Volume of one side portion 
$$= (3)\frac{1}{2}(2x+1-x)(x+5)$$
$$= \frac{3}{2}(x+1)(x+5)$$
$$= \frac{3}{2}(x^2+6x+5)$$

Total Volume = 
$$2x^3 + 9x^2 - 6x - 5 + 2\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)\left(x^2 + 6x + 5\right)$$
  
 $208 = 2x^3 + 9x^2 - 6x - 5 + 3x^2 + 18x + 15$ 

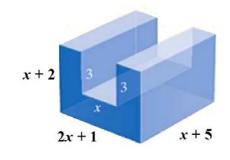
$$208 = 2x^{2} + 9x^{2} - 6x - 5 + 3x^{2} + 18x + 18x$$

$$x^3 + 6x^2 + 6x - 99 = 0$$

possibilities for  $\frac{c}{d} := \pm \{1, 3, 9, 11, 33, 99\}$ 

$$x = \frac{-9 \pm \sqrt{81 - 132}}{2}$$
$$= \frac{-9 \pm i\sqrt{51}}{2} \times$$

$$\therefore x = 3$$



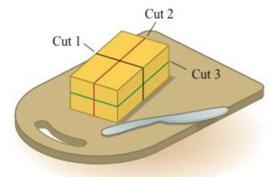
The length of rectangular box is 1 *inch* more than twice the height of the box, and the width is 3 *inches* more than the height. If the volume of the box is  $126 in^3$ , find the dimensions of the box.

### **Solution**

Volume = 
$$x(2x+1)(x+3)$$
  
 $2x^3 + 7x^2 + 3x = 126$   
 $2x + 1$   
 $2x$ 

#### Exercise

One straight cut through a thick piece of cheese produces two pieces. Two straight cuts can produce a maximum of four pieces. Two straight cuts can produce a maximum of four pieces. Three straight cuts can produce a maximum of eight pieces.



You might be inclined to think that every additional cut double number of pieces. However, for four straight cuts, you get a maximum of 15 pieces. The maximum number of pieces P that can be produced by n straight cuts is given by

$$P(n) = \frac{n^3 + 5n + 6}{6}$$

- a) Determine number of pieces that can be produces by five straight cuts.
- b) What is the fewest number of straight cuts that are needed to produce 64 pieces?

#### **Solution**

a) 
$$P(5) = \frac{5^3 + 25 + 6}{6}$$
  
= 26

b) 
$$\frac{n^3 + 5n + 6}{6} = 64$$
  
 $n^3 + 5n + 6 = 384$   
 $n^3 + 5n - 378 = 0$   
possibilities for  $\frac{c}{d} := \pm \{378\}$   
 $= \pm \{1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 9, 14, 18, 21, 27, 42, 54, 63, 126, 189, 378\}$   
 $7 \mid 1 \quad 0 \quad 5 \quad -378$   
 $\boxed{7 \quad 49 \quad 378}$   
 $\boxed{1 \quad 7 \quad 54 \quad 0} \rightarrow n^2 + 7n + 54 = 0$   
 $n = \frac{-7 \pm \sqrt{49 - 216}}{2}$   
 $= \frac{-7 \pm i\sqrt{167}}{2} \times 10^{-10}$   
 $\therefore n = 7 \mid 10^{-10}$ 

### Exercise

The number of ways one can select three cards from a group of n cards (the order of the selection matters), where  $n \ge 3$ , is given by  $P(n) = n^3 - 3n^2 + 2n$ . For a certain card trick, a magician has determined that there are exactly 504 ways to choose three cards from a given group. How many cards are in the group?

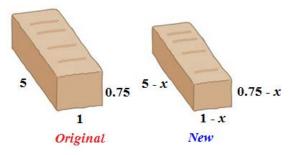
$$P(n) = n^{3} - 3n^{2} + 2n = 504$$

$$n^{3} - 3n^{2} + 2n - 504 = 0$$

$$possibilities for \frac{c}{d} := \pm \{504\}$$

$$= \pm \begin{cases} 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 12, 14, 18, 21, \\ 24, 28, 36, 42, 56, 63, 72, 84, 126, 168, 252, 504 \end{cases}$$

A nutrition bar in the shape of a rectangular solid measure 0.75 in. by 1 in. by 5 inches.



To reduce costs, the manufacturer has decided to decrease each of the dimensions of the nutrition bar by x *inches*, what value of x will produce a new bar with a volume that is 0.75  $in^3$  less than the present bar's volume.

witton
$$V_{original} = (5)(1)(\frac{3}{4})$$

$$= \frac{15}{4}$$

$$V_{new} = (5-x)(1-x)(\frac{3}{4}-x) \qquad (x < \frac{3}{4})$$

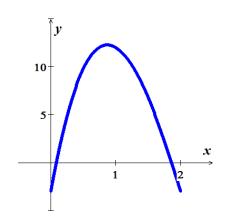
$$(5-6x+x^2)(\frac{3-4x}{4}) = \frac{15}{4} - \frac{3}{4}$$

$$15-20x-18x+24x^2+3x^2-4x^3=4(3)$$

$$4x^3-27x^2+38x-3=0$$
From graph table:
$$0.08200 \quad -0.06334$$

$$0.08400 \quad 0.00386$$

$$x ≈ 0.083 \quad in. |$$



A rectangular box is square on two ends and has length plus girth of 81 *inches*. (Girth: distance *around* the box). Determine the possible lengths l(l > w) of the box if its volume is 4900  $in^3$ .

### **Solution**

$$81 = l + 4w$$

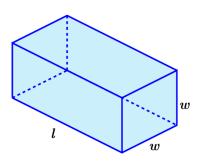
$$l = 81 - 4w$$

$$V = lw^{2}$$

$$= (81 - 4w)w^{2}$$

$$-4w^{3} + 81w^{2} = 4900$$

$$4w^{3} - 81w^{2} + 4900 = 0$$



possibilities for 
$$\frac{c}{d} := \pm \left\{ \frac{4900}{4} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 4, 7, 10, 14, 20, 28, 49, 100, 175, 245, 350, 490, 700, 1225, 2450, 4900, \cdots \right\}$$

$$w = \frac{25 \pm \sqrt{625 + 5600}}{8}$$
$$= \frac{25 \pm 5\sqrt{249}}{8}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{25 - 5\sqrt{249}}{8} < 0\\ \frac{25 + 5\sqrt{249}}{8} \approx 13 \end{cases}$$

$$l = 81 - 4(14) = 25$$

$$l = 81 - 4(13) = 29$$

 $\therefore$  the possible lengths l are around 25 in. or 29 in.

#### Solution Section 2.5 – Graphing Polynomial Functions

## Exercise

Determine the end behavior of the graph of the polynomial function  $f(x) = 5x^3 + 7x^2 - x + 9$ 

## Solution

Leading term:  $5x^3$  with  $3^{rd}$  degree (*n* is *odd*)

$$x \to -\infty \implies f(x) \to -\infty$$
  $f(x)$  falls left

$$f(x)$$
 falls left

$$x \to \infty \implies f(x) \to \infty$$
  $f(x)$  rises right

$$f(x)$$
 rises right

## Exercise

Determine the end behavior of the graph of the polynomial function  $f(x) = 11x^3 - 6x^2 + x + 3$ 

## Solution

Leading term:  $11x^3$  with  $3^{rd}$  degree (*n* is *odd*)

$$x \to -\infty \implies f(x) \to -\infty$$
  $f(x)$  falls left

$$f(x)$$
 falls left

$$x \to \infty \implies f(x) \to \infty$$
 rises right

### Exercise

Determine the end behavior of the graph of the polynomial function  $f(x) = -11x^3 - 6x^2 + x + 3$ 

## Solution

Leading term:  $-11x^3$  with  $3^{rd}$  degree (*n* is **odd**)

$$x \to -\infty \implies f(x) \to \infty$$
  $f(x)$  rises left

$$f(x)$$
 rises left

$$x \to \infty \implies f(x) \to -\infty$$
  $f(x)$  falls right

## **Exercise**

Determine the end behavior of the graph of the polynomial function  $f(x) = 2x^3 + 3x^2 - 23x - 42$ 

# Solution

Leading term:  $2x^3$  with  $3^{rd}$  degree (*n* is *odd*)

$$x \to -\infty \implies f(x) \to -\infty$$
  $f(x)$  falls left

$$f(x)$$
 falls lef

$$x \to \infty \implies f(x) \to \infty$$
  $f(x)$  rises right

Determine the end behavior of the graph of the polynomial function  $f(x) = 5x^4 + 7x^2 - x + 9$ 

## Solution

Leading term:  $5x^4$  with  $4^{rd}$  degree (*n* is *even*)

$$x \to -\infty \implies f(x) \to \infty$$
  $f(x)$  rises left

$$f(x)$$
 rises left

$$x \to \infty \implies f(x) \to \infty$$
  $f(x)$  rises right

$$f(x)$$
 rises right

### Exercise

Determine the end behavior of the graph of the polynomial function  $f(x) = 11x^4 - 6x^2 + x + 3$ 

## Solution

Leading term:  $11x^4$  with  $4^{rd}$  degree (*n* is *even*)

$$x \to -\infty \implies f(x) \to \infty$$
  $f(x)$  rises left

$$f(x)$$
 rises left

$$x \to \infty \implies f(x) \to \infty$$
  $f(x)$  rises right

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## Exercise

Determine the end behavior of the graph of the polynomial function  $f(x) = -5x^4 + 7x^2 - x + 9$ 

## Solution

Leading term:  $-5x^4$  with  $4^{rd}$  degree (*n* is **even**)

$$x \to -\infty \implies f(x) \to -\infty$$
  $f(x)$  falls left

$$f(x)$$
 falls left

$$x \to \infty \implies f(x) \to -\infty$$
  $f(x)$  falls right

$$f(x)$$
 falls right

### Exercise

Determine the end behavior of the graph of the polynomial function  $f(x) = -11x^4 - 6x^2 + x + 3$ 

# Solution

Leading term:  $-11x^4$  with  $4^{rd}$  degree (n is even)

$$x \to -\infty \implies f(x) \to -\infty$$
  $f(x)$  falls left

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$$x \to \infty \implies f(x) \to -\infty$$
  $f(x)$  falls right

$$f(x)$$
 falls right

Determine the end behavior of the graph of the polynomial function  $f(x) = 5x^5 - 16x^2 - 20x + 64$ 

## **Solution**

Leading term:  $5x^5$  with  $5^{th}$  degree (*n* is *odd*)

$$x \to -\infty \implies f(x) \to -\infty$$
  $f(x)$  falls left

$$x \to \infty \implies f(x) \to \infty$$
  $f(x)$  rises right

### Exercise

Determine the end behavior of the graph of the polynomial function  $f(x) = -5x^5 - 16x^2 - 20x + 64$ 

## **Solution**

Leading term:  $-5x^5$  with  $5^{th}$  degree (*n* is *odd*)

$$x \to -\infty \implies f(x) \to \infty$$
  $f(x)$  rises left

$$x \to \infty \implies f(x) \to -\infty$$
  $f(x)$  falls right

### Exercise

Determine the end behavior of the graph of the polynomial function  $f(x) = -3x^6 - 16x^3 + 64$ 

# Solution

Leading term:  $-3x^6$  with  $6^{th}$  degree (n is even)

$$x \to -\infty \implies f(x) \to -\infty$$
  $f(x)$  falls left

$$x \to \infty \implies f(x) \to -\infty$$
  $f(x)$  falls right

## Exercise

Determine the end behavior of the graph of the polynomial function  $f(x) = 3x^6 - 16x^3 + 4$ 

# Solution

Leading term:  $3x^6$  with  $6^{th}$  degree (n is even)

$$x \to -\infty \implies f(x) \to \infty$$
  $f(x)$  rises left

$$x \to \infty \implies f(x) \to \infty$$
  $f(x)$  rises right

Use the Intermediate Value Theorem to show that each polynomial has a real zero between the given integers.  $f(x) = x^3 - x - 1$ ; between 1 and 2

### Solution

$$f(1) = (1)^{3} - (1) - 1$$

$$= -1 \rfloor$$

$$f(2) = (2)^{3} - (2) - 1$$

$$= 5 \rfloor$$

Since f(1) and f(2) have opposite signs.

Therefore, the polynomial *has a real zero* between 1 and 2.

### Exercise

Use the Intermediate Value Theorem to show that each polynomial has a real zero between the given integers.  $f(x) = x^3 - 4x^2 + 2$ ; between 0 and 1

### **Solution**

$$f\left(\mathbf{0}\right) = \left(\mathbf{0}\right)^3 - 4\left(\mathbf{0}\right)^2 + 2$$

$$= 2$$

$$f(1) = (1)^3 - 4(1)^2 + 2$$
  
= -1 |

Since f(0) and f(1) have opposite signs.

Therefore, the polynomial *has a real zero* between 0 and 1.

### Exercise

Use the Intermediate Value Theorem to show that each polynomial has a real zero between the given integers.  $f(x) = 2x^4 - 4x^2 + 1$ ; between -1 and 0

$$f(-1) = 2(-1)^{4} - 4(-1)^{2} + 1$$

$$= -1$$

$$f(0) = 2(0)^{4} - 4(0)^{2} + 1$$

Since f(0) and f(-1) have opposite signs.

Therefore, the polynomial *has a real zero* between -1 and 0.

### Exercise

Use the Intermediate Value Theorem to show that each polynomial has a real zero between the given integers.  $f(x) = x^4 + 6x^3 - 18x^2$ ; between 2 and 3

## **Solution**

$$f(2) = (2)^4 + 6(2)^3 - 18(2)^2$$
  
= -8

$$f(3) = (3)^4 + 6(3)^3 - 18(3)^2$$
  
= 81

Since f(2) and f(3) have opposite signs.

Therefore, the polynomial *has a real zero* between 2 and 3.

### Exercise

Use the Intermediate Value Theorem to show that each polynomial has a real zero between the given integers.  $f(x) = x^3 + x^2 - 2x + 1$ ; between -3 and -2

#### **Solution**

$$f(-3) = (-3)^3 + (-3)^2 - 2(-3) + 1$$
  
= -11

$$f(-2) = (-2)^3 + (-2)^2 - 2(-2) + 1$$
  
= 1 |

Since f(-3) and f(-2) have opposite signs.

Therefore, the polynomial *has a real zero* between -2 and -3.

### Exercise

Use the Intermediate Value Theorem to show that each polynomial has a real zero between the given integers.  $f(x) = x^5 - x^3 - 1$ ; between 1 and 2

$$f(1) = (1)^5 - (1)^3 - 1$$
  
= -1

$$f(2) = (2)^5 - (2)^3 - 1$$
  
= 23 |

Since f(1) and f(2) have opposite signs.

Therefore, the polynomial *has a real zero* between 1 and 2.

### Exercise

Use the Intermediate Value Theorem to show that each polynomial has a real zero between the given integers.  $f(x) = 3x^3 - 10x + 9$ ; between -3 and -2

### **Solution**

$$f(-3) = 3(-3)^3 - 10(-3) + 9$$
  
= -42

$$f(-2) = 3(-2)^3 - 10(-2) + 9$$
  
= 5

Since f(-3) and f(-2) have opposite signs.

Therefore, the polynomial *has a real zero* between -3 and -2.

### Exercise

Use the Intermediate Value Theorem to show that each polynomial has a real zero between the given integers.  $f(x) = 3x^3 - 8x^2 + x + 2$ ; between 2 and 3

#### Solution

$$f(2) = 3(2)^3 - 8(2)^2 + (2) + 2$$
  
= -4

$$f(3) = 3(3)^3 - 8(3)^2 + (3) + 2$$
  
= 14 |

Since f(2) and f(3) have opposite signs.

Therefore, the polynomial *has a real zero* between 2 and 3.

Use the Intermediate Value Theorem to show that each polynomial has a real zero between the given integers.  $f(x) = 3x^3 - 8x^2 + x + 2$ ; between 1 and 2

### **Solution**

$$f(1) = 3(1)^3 - 8(1)^2 + (1) + 2$$
  
= -2

$$f(2) = 3(2)^3 - 8(2)^2 + (2) + 2$$
  
= -4

Since f(1) and f(2) have same signs.

Therefore, cannot be determined.

### Exercise

Use the Intermediate Value Theorem to show that each polynomial has a real zero between the given integers.  $f(x) = x^5 + 2x^4 - 6x^3 + 2x - 3$ ; between 0 and 1

## **Solution**

$$f(0) = (0)^5 + 2(0)^4 - 6(0)^3 + 2(0) - 3$$
  
= -3

$$f(1) = (1)^5 + 2(1)^4 - 6(1)^3 + 2(1) - 3$$
  
= -4

Since f(0) and f(1) have same signs.

Therefore, cannot be determined.

### Exercise

Use the Intermediate Value Theorem to show that each polynomial has a real zero between the given integers.  $P(x) = 2x^3 + 3x^2 - 23x - 42$ , a = 3, b = 4

$$P(3) = 54 + 27 - 69 - 42$$
  
= -30

$$P(4) = 128 + 48 - 92 - 42$$
  
= 90

Since P(3) and P(4) have opposite signs.

Therefore, the polynomial *has a real zero* between 3 and 4.

### Exercise

Use the Intermediate Value Theorem to show that each polynomial has a real zero between the given integers.  $P(x) = 4x^3 - x^2 - 6x + 1$ , a = 0, b = 1

### Solution

$$P(0) = 1$$

$$P(1) = 4 - 1 - 6 + 1$$
$$= -2 \mid$$

Since P(0) and P(1) have opposite signs.

Therefore, the polynomial *has a real zero* between 0 and 1.

### Exercise

Use the Intermediate Value Theorem to show that each polynomial has a real zero between the given integers.  $P(x) = 3x^3 + 7x^2 + 3x + 7$ , a = -3, b = -2

#### Solution

$$P(-3) = -81 + 63 - 9 + 7$$
  
= -20 |

$$P(-2) = -24 + 28 - 6 + 7$$
  
= 5 |

Since P(-3) and P(-2) have opposite signs.

Therefore, the polynomial *has a real zero* between -3 and -2.

### Exercise

Use the Intermediate Value Theorem to show that each polynomial has a real zero between the given integers.  $P(x) = 2x^3 - 21x^2 - 2x + 25$ , a = 1, b = 2

$$P(1) = 2 - 21 - 2 + 25$$
  
= 4 |

$$P(2) = 16 - 84 - 4 + 25$$
  
= -47 |

Since P(1) and P(2) have opposite signs.

Therefore, the polynomial *has a real zero* between 1 and 2.

### Exercise

Use the Intermediate Value Theorem to show that each polynomial has a real zero between the given integers.  $P(x) = 4x^4 + 7x^3 - 11x^2 + 7x - 15$ , a = 1,  $b = \frac{3}{2}$ 

### **Solution**

$$P(1) = 4 + 7 - 11 + 7 - 15$$

$$= -8$$

$$P(\frac{3}{2}) = 81 + \frac{189}{8} - \frac{99}{4} + \frac{21}{2} - 15$$

$$= 66 + \frac{189 - 198 + 84}{8}$$

$$= 66 + \frac{75}{8}$$

$$= \frac{603}{8}$$

Since P(1) and  $P(\frac{3}{2})$  have opposite signs.

Therefore, the polynomial *has a real zero* between 1 and  $\frac{3}{2}$ .

### Exercise

Use the Intermediate Value Theorem to show that each polynomial has a real zero between the given integers.  $P(x) = 5x^3 - 16x^2 - 20x + 64$ , a = 3,  $b = \frac{7}{2}$ 

$$P(3) = 135 - 144 - 60 + 64$$

$$= -5$$

$$P(\frac{7}{2}) = \frac{1715}{8} - 196 - 70 + 64$$

$$= \frac{1715}{8} - 202$$

$$= \frac{99}{8}$$

Since P(3) and  $P(\frac{7}{2})$  have opposite signs.

Therefore, the polynomial *has a real zero* between 3 and  $\frac{7}{2}$ .

### Exercise

Use the Intermediate Value Theorem to show that each polynomial has a real zero between the given integers.  $P(x) = x^4 - x^2 - x - 4$ , a = 1, b = 2

### **Solution**

$$P(1) = 1 - 1 - 1 - 4$$
  
=  $-5$  |  
 $P(2) = 16 - 4 - 2 - 4$   
=  $6$  |

Since P(1) and P(2) have opposite signs.

Therefore, the polynomial *has a real zero* between 1 and 2.

### Exercise

Use the Intermediate Value Theorem to show that each polynomial has a real zero between the given integers.  $P(x) = x^3 - x - 8$ , a = 2, b = 3

### Solution

$$P(2) = 8 - 2 - 8$$
  
=  $-2$  |  $P(3) = 27 - 3 - 8$   
=  $16$  |

Since P(2) and P(3) have opposite signs.

Therefore, the polynomial *has a real zero* between 2 and 3.

### Exercise

Use the Intermediate Value Theorem to show that each polynomial has a real zero between the given integers.  $P(x) = x^3 - x - 8$ , a = 0, b = 1

$$P(0) = -8$$

$$P(1) = 1 - 1 - 8$$
$$= -8$$

Since P(0) and P(1) have same sign.

Therefore, cannot be determined.

### Exercise

Use the Intermediate Value Theorem to show that each polynomial has a real zero between the given integers.  $P(x) = x^3 - x - 8$ , a = 2.1, b = 2.2

### **Solution**

$$P(2.1) = P(\frac{21}{10})$$

$$= \frac{9261}{1000} - \frac{21}{10} - 8$$

$$= \frac{9261 - 2100 - 8000}{1000}$$

$$= -\frac{839}{1,000}$$

$$P(2.2) = P(\frac{2.2}{10})$$

$$= \frac{10,648}{1000} - \frac{22}{10} - 8$$

$$= \frac{10,648 - 2,200 - 8,000}{1000}$$

$$= \frac{448}{1,000}$$

$$= 0.448$$

Since P(2.1) and P(2.2) have opposite signs.

Therefore, the polynomial *has a real zero* between 2.1 and 2.2.

### Exercise

Let  $f(x) = x^4 - 4x^2$ . Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f.

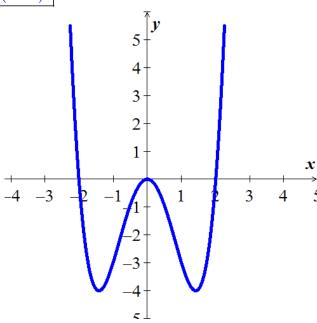
$$f(x) = x^{2} (x^{2} - 4)$$
$$= x^{2} (x - 2)(x + 2)$$

The zeros are: 0, 0, 2, -2.

$-\infty$	-2	0,0	2	8
	+		_	+

$$f(x) < 0 \quad (-2, \ 0) \cup (0, \ 2)$$

$$f(x) > 0$$
  $(-\infty, -2) \cup (2, \infty)$ 



## Exercise

Let  $f(x) = x^4 + 3x^3 - 4x^2$ . Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f.

# **Solution**

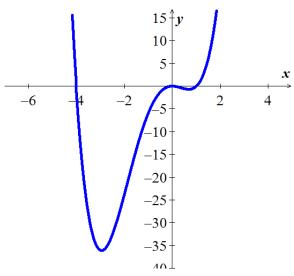
$$f(x) = x^2 \left( x^2 + 3x - 4 \right)$$

The zeros are: 0, 0, 1, -4.

$-\infty$	-4	0,0	1	$\infty$
+		_		+

$$f(x) > 0$$
  $(-\infty, -4) \cup (1, \infty)$ 

$$f(x) < 0 \quad (-4, 0) \cup (0, 1)$$

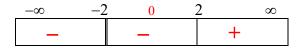


Let  $f(x) = x^3 + 2x^2 - 4x - 8$ . Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f.

### Solution

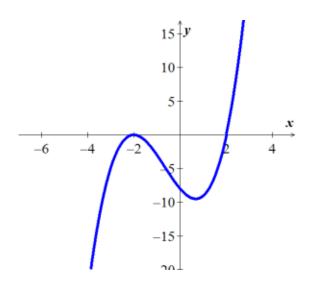
$$f(x) = x^{2}(x+2) - 4(x+2)$$
$$= (x+2)(x^{2} - 4)$$
$$= (x+2)(x+2)(x-2) = 0$$

The zeros are: 2, -2, -2



$$f(x) > 0$$
  $(2, \infty)$ 

$$f(x) < 0$$
  $(-\infty, -2) \cup (-2, 2)$ 



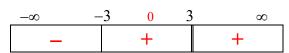
### Exercise

Let  $f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 - 9x + 27$ . Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f.

### **Solution**

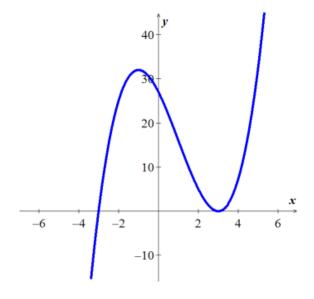
$$f(x) = x^{2}(x-3)-9(x-3)$$
$$= (x-3)(x^{2}-9)$$
$$= (x-3)(x-3)(x+3)$$

The zeros are: -3, 3 (multiplicity)



$$f(x) > 0$$
  $(-3, 3) \cup (3, \infty)$ 

$$f(x) < 0 \quad \left(-\infty, -3\right) \mid$$



Let  $f(x) = -x^4 + 12x^2 - 27$ . Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f.

### Solution

$$x^{2} = \frac{-12 \pm \sqrt{36}}{-2}$$

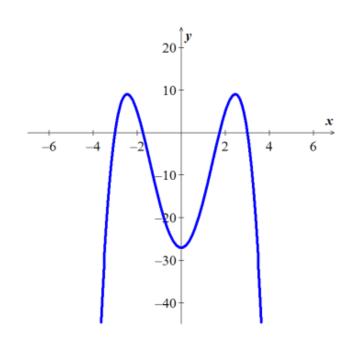
$$= \begin{cases} \frac{-12 - 6}{-2} = 9 \\ \frac{-12 + 6}{-2} = 3 \end{cases}$$

$$\to \begin{cases} x^{2} = 9 \\ x^{2} = 3 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x = \pm 3 \\ x = \pm \sqrt{3} \end{cases}$$

$$\boxed{-3 \quad -\sqrt{3} \quad \sqrt{3} \quad 3} \\ \boxed{- \quad + \quad - \quad + \quad -} \end{cases}$$

$$f(x) > 0 \quad \boxed{(-3, \ -\sqrt{3}) \cup (\sqrt{3}, \ 3)}$$

$$f(x) < 0 \quad (-\infty, \ -3) \cup (-\sqrt{3}, \ \sqrt{3}) \cup (3, \ \infty)$$



## **Exercise**

Let  $f(x) = x^2(x+2)(x-1)^2(x-2)$ . Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f.

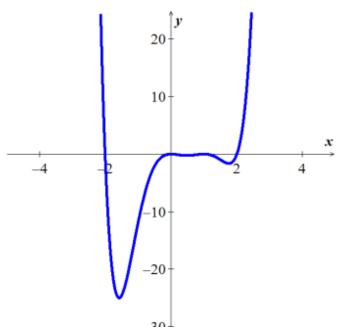
## Solution

The zeros are: -2, 2, 0, 0, 1, 1

-2	0,0	<b>1,1</b> 2	
+	_		+

$$f(x) > 0$$
  $(-\infty, -2) \cup (2, \infty)$ 

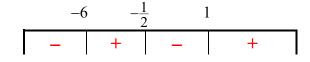
$$f(x) < 0 \quad (-2, 0) \cup (0, 1) \cup (1, 2)$$



Let  $f(x) = 2x^3 + 11x^2 - 7x - 6$ . Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f.

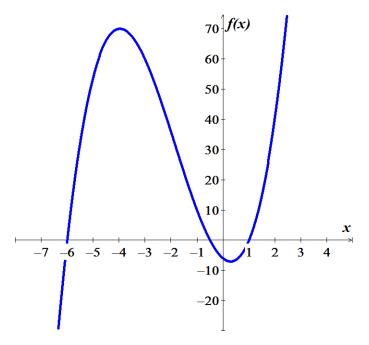
### **Solution**

The zeros are: x = 1,  $-\frac{1}{2}$ , -6



$$f(x) > 0$$
  $\left(-6, -\frac{1}{2}\right) \cup \left(1, \infty\right)$ 

$$f(x) < 0 \quad \left(-\infty, -6\right) \cup \left(-\frac{1}{2}, 1\right)$$



### **Exercise**

Let  $f(x) = x^3 + 2x^2 - 5x - 6$ . Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f.

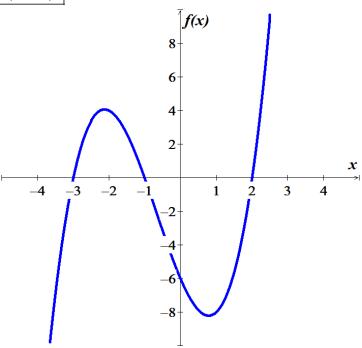
### **Solution**

possibilities: 
$$\pm \left\{ \frac{6}{1} \right\}$$
  
=  $\pm \{1, 2, 3, 6\}$   
-1 | 1 2 -5 -6  
-1 -1 6  
1 1 -6  $\boxed{0}$   $\rightarrow x^2 + x - 6 = 0$ 

The zeros are: x = -1, -3, 2

$$f(x) > 0$$
  $(-3, -1) \cup (2, \infty)$ 

$$f(x) < 0 \quad (-\infty, -3) \cup (-1, 2)$$



Let  $f(x) = x^3 + 8x^2 + 11x - 20$ . Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f.

# **Solution**

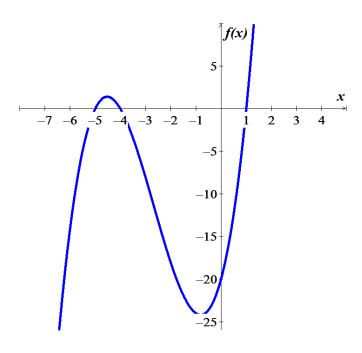
possibilities : 
$$\pm \left\{ \frac{20}{1} \right\} = \pm \{1, 2, 4, 5, 20, 20\}$$

The zeros are:  $\underline{x = -5, -4, 1}$ 



$$f(x) > 0$$
  $(-5, -1) \cup (1, \infty)$ 

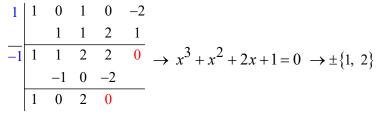
$$f(x) < 0 \quad (-\infty, -5) \cup (-4, 1)$$



Let  $f(x) = x^4 + x^2 - 2$ . Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f.

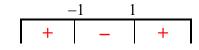
### **Solution**

possibilities:  $\pm \{1, 2\}$ 



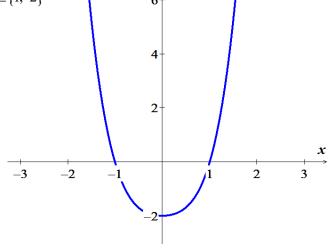
$$\rightarrow x^2 + 2 = 0 \implies \underline{x = \pm i\sqrt{2}}$$

The zeros are:  $x = \pm 1$ 



$$f(x) > 0$$
  $(-\infty, -1) \cup (1, \infty)$ 

$$f(x) < 0 \quad \left(-1, 1\right)$$



## Exercise

Let  $f(x) = x^4 - x^3 - 6x^2 + 4x + 8$ . Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f.

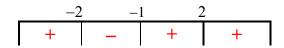
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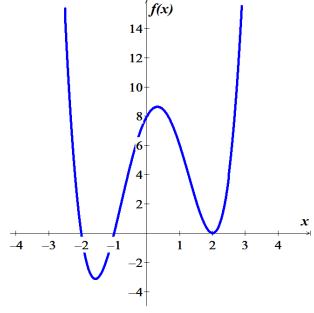
### **Solution**

possibilities:  $\pm \{1, 2, 4, 8\}$ 

$$\rightarrow x^2 - 4x + 4 = 0 \implies x = 2, 2$$

The zeros are: x = -2, -1, 2, 2





$$f(x) > 0 \quad (-\infty, -1) \cup (1, \infty)$$

$$f(x) < 0 \quad (-1, 1)$$

Let  $f(x) = 2x^4 - x^3 - 5x^2 + 2x + 2$ . Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f.

### **Solution**

possibilities: 
$$\pm \left\{ \frac{2}{2} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, \frac{1}{2} \right\}$$

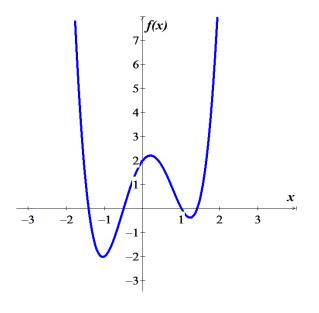
$$\rightarrow 2x^2 - 4 = 0 \Rightarrow x = \pm \sqrt{2}$$

The zeros are:  $x = -\frac{1}{2}$ , 1,  $-\sqrt{2}$ ,  $\sqrt{2}$ 



$$f(x) > 0 \quad \left(-\infty, -\sqrt{2}\right) \cup \left(-\frac{1}{2}, 1\right) \cup \left(\sqrt{2}, \infty\right)$$

$$f(x) < 0 \quad \left(-\sqrt{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\right) \cup \left(1, \sqrt{2}\right)$$



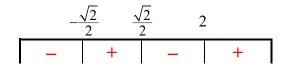
### Exercise

Let  $f(x) = 4x^5 - 8x^4 - x + 2$ . Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f.

$$f(x) = 4x^{4}(x-2) - (x-2)$$
$$= (x-2)(4x^{4}-1) = 0$$

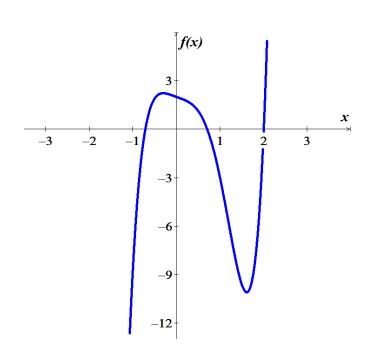
$$4x^4 - 1 = 0 \implies \begin{cases} x^2 = -\frac{1}{2} & \mathbb{C} \\ x^2 = \frac{1}{2} & x = \pm \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{cases}$$

The zeros are: x = 2,  $-\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$ ,  $\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$ 



$$f(x) > 0 \left(-\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right) \cup \left(2, \infty\right)$$

$$f(x) < 0 \quad \left(-\infty, -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right) \cup \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, 2\right)$$



# Exercise

Let  $f(x) = x^5 - 7x^4 + 19x^3 - 37x^2 + 60x - 36$ . Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f.

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### **Solution**

possibilities: 
$$\pm \left\{ \frac{36}{1} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 9, 12, 18, 36 \right\}$$

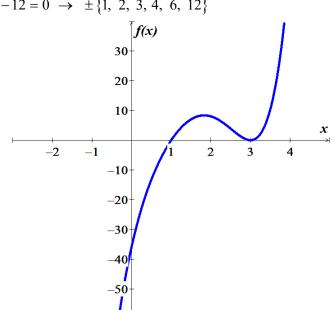
$$x^2 + 4 = 0 \implies x = \pm 2i$$

The zeros are: x = 1, 3, 3

$$f(x) > 0$$
  $(1, 3) \cup (3, \infty)$ 

$$f(x) < 0 \quad \left(-\infty, 1\right)$$

$$x^{4} - 6x^{3} + 13x^{2} - 24x + 36 = 0 \rightarrow \pm \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 9, 12, 18, 36\}$$
$$x^{3} - 3x^{2} + 4x - 12 = 0 \rightarrow \pm \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 9, 12, 18, 36\}$$



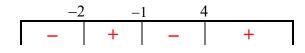
Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

$$f(x) = x^3 - x^2 - 10x - 8$$

### **Solution**

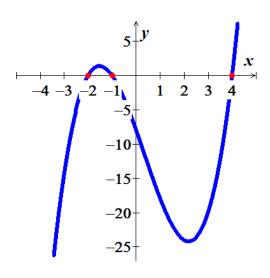
possibilities for  $\frac{c}{d}$ :  $\pm \left\{ \frac{8}{1} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 4, 8 \right\}$ 

$$x = -1, -2, 4$$



$$f(x) > 0$$
  $\left(-2, -1\right) \cup \left(4, \infty\right)$ 

$$f(x) < 0$$
  $(-\infty, -2) \cup (-1, 4)$ 



### Exercise

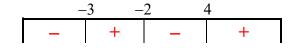
Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

$$f(x) = x^3 + x^2 - 14x - 24$$

### Solution

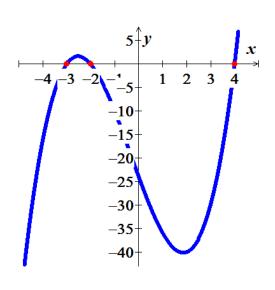
possibilities for  $\frac{c}{d}$ :  $\pm \left\{ \frac{24}{1} \right\} = \pm \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12, 24 \}$ 

$$x = -2, -3, 4$$



$$f(x) > 0$$
  $(-3, -2) \cup (4, \infty)$ 

$$f(x) < 0$$
  $(-\infty, -3) \cup (-2, 4)$ 



Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

$$f(x) = 2x^3 - 3x^2 - 17x + 30$$

### Solution

possibilities for 
$$\frac{c}{d}$$
:  $\pm \left\{ \frac{30}{2} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 10, 15, 30, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}, \frac{5}{2}, \frac{15}{2} \right\}$ 

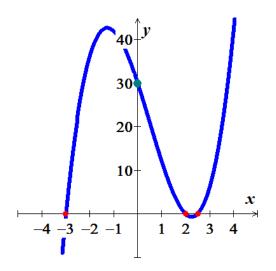
$$x = 2, -3, \frac{5}{2}$$

$$-3 \qquad 2 \qquad \frac{5}{2}$$

$$- \qquad + \qquad - \qquad +$$

$$f(x) > 0 \qquad (-3, 2) \cup \left(\frac{5}{2}, \infty\right)$$

$$f(x) < 0$$
  $\left(-\infty, -3\right) \cup \left(2, \frac{5}{2}\right)$ 



## Exercise

Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

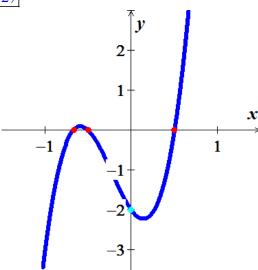
$$f(x) = 12x^3 + 8x^2 - 3x - 2$$

possibilities for 
$$\frac{c}{d}$$
:  $\pm \left\{ \frac{2}{12} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{12} \right\}$ 

$$x = \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{2}{3}$$

$$f(x) > 0$$
  $\left(-\frac{2}{3}, -\frac{1}{2}\right) \cup \left(\frac{1}{2}, \infty\right)$ 

$$f(x) < 0$$
  $\left(-\infty, -\frac{2}{3}\right) \cup \left(-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$ 



Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

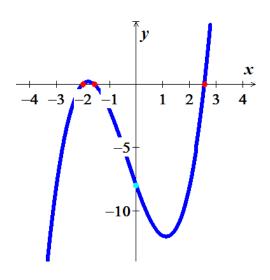
$$f(x) = x^3 + x^2 - 6x - 8$$

possibilities for 
$$\frac{c}{d}$$
:  $\pm \left\{ \frac{8}{1} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 4, 8 \right\}$ 

$$x = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1 + 16}}{2}$$
$$x = -2, \ \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{17}}{2}$$

$$f(x) > 0$$
  $\left(-2, \frac{1-\sqrt{17}}{2}\right) \cup \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{17}}{2}, \infty\right)$ 

$$f(x) < 0 \quad (-\infty, -2) \cup \left(\frac{1 - \sqrt{17}}{2}, \frac{1 + \sqrt{17}}{2}\right)$$



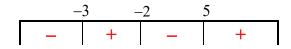
Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

$$f(x) = x^3 - 19x - 30$$

possibilities for 
$$\frac{c}{d}$$
:  $\pm \left\{ \frac{30}{1} \right\} = \pm \{1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 15, 30 \}$ 

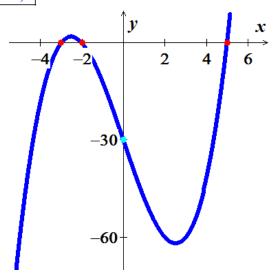
$$x = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 + 60}}{2}$$
$$= \begin{cases} \frac{2 - 8}{2} = -3\\ \frac{2 + 8}{2} = 5 \end{cases}$$

$$x = -2, -3, 5$$



$$f(x) > 0$$
  $(-3, -2) \cup (5, \infty)$ 

$$f(x) < 0$$
  $(-\infty, -3) \cup (-2, 5)$ 



Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

$$f(x) = 2x^3 + x^2 - 25x + 12$$

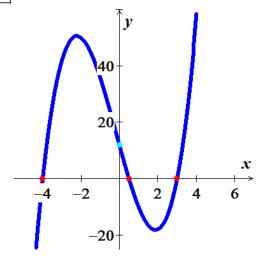
### Solution

possibilities for  $\frac{c}{d}$ :  $\pm \left\{ \frac{12}{2} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 12, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2} \right\}$ 

$$x = \frac{-7 \pm \sqrt{49 + 32}}{4}$$
$$= \begin{cases} \frac{-7 - 9}{4} = -4\\ \frac{-7 + 9}{4} = \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$

$$f(x) > 0 \quad \left(-4, \frac{1}{2}\right) \cup \left(3, \infty\right)$$

$$f(x) < 0 \quad \left(-\infty, -1\right) \cup \left(\frac{1}{2}, 3\right)$$



Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

$$f(x) = 3x^3 + 11x^2 - 6x - 8$$

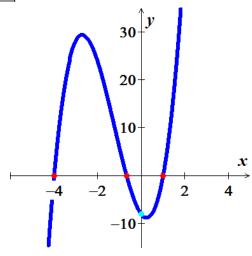
possibilities for 
$$\frac{c}{d}$$
:  $\pm \left\{ \frac{8}{3} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 4, 8, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{4}{3}, \frac{8}{3} \right\}$ 

$$x = \frac{-14 \pm \sqrt{196 - 96}}{6}$$
$$= \begin{cases} \frac{-14 - 10}{6} = -4\\ \frac{-14 + 10}{6} = -\frac{2}{3} \end{cases}$$

$$x = -4, -\frac{2}{3}, 1$$

$$f(x) > 0$$
  $\left(-4, -\frac{2}{3}\right) \cup \left(1, \infty\right)$ 

$$f(x) < 0 \quad \left(-\infty, -4\right) \cup \left(-\frac{2}{3}, 1\right)$$



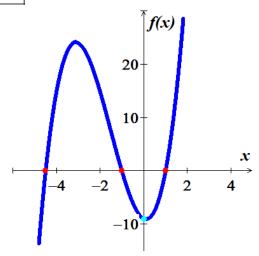
Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

$$f(x) = 2x^3 + 9x^2 - 2x - 9$$

$$x = -\frac{9}{2}, -1, 1$$

$$f(x) > 0$$
  $\left(-\frac{9}{2}, -1\right) \cup \left(1, \infty\right)$ 

$$f(x) < 0 \quad \left(-\infty, -\frac{9}{2}\right) \cup \left(-1, 1\right)$$



Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

$$f(x) = x^3 + 3x^2 - 6x - 8$$

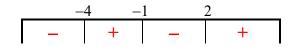
### Solution

possibilities for  $\frac{c}{d}$ :  $\pm \left\{ \frac{8}{1} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 4, 8 \right\}$ 

$$x = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4 + 32}}{2}$$

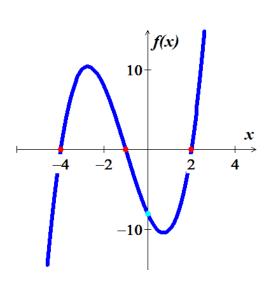
$$= \begin{cases} \frac{-2 - 6}{2} = -4\\ \frac{-2 + 6}{2} = 2 \end{cases}$$

$$x = -4, -1, 2$$



$$f(x) > 0$$
  $(-4, -1) \cup (2, \infty)$ 

$$f(x) < 0 \quad \left(-\infty, -4\right) \cup \left(-1, 2\right)$$



## Exercise

Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

$$f(x) = 3x^3 - x^2 - 6x + 2$$

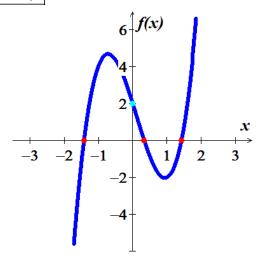
### **Solution**

possibilities for  $\frac{c}{d}$ :  $\pm \left\{ \frac{2}{3} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3} \right\}$ 

$$x = \frac{1}{3}, \pm \sqrt{2}$$

$$f(x) > 0$$
  $\left(-\sqrt{2}, \frac{1}{3}\right) \cup \left(\sqrt{2}, \infty\right)$ 

$$f(x) < 0 \quad \left(-\infty, -\sqrt{2}\right) \cup \left(\frac{1}{3}, \sqrt{2}\right)$$



Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

$$f(x) = x^3 - 8x^2 + 8x + 24$$

possibilities for 
$$\frac{c}{d}$$
:  $\pm \left\{ \frac{24}{1} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12, 24 \right\}$ 

$$x = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 + 16}}{2}$$

$$x = 6, \ 1 \pm \sqrt{5}$$

$$f(x) > 0 \ \left(1 - \sqrt{5}, \ 1 + \sqrt{5}\right) \cup \left(6, \ \infty\right)$$

$$f(x) < 0 \quad \left( -\infty, 1 - \sqrt{5} \right) \cup \left( 1 + \sqrt{5}, 6 \right)$$

$$30 + f(x)$$

$$20 + 10 - x$$

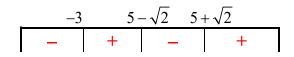
Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

$$f(x) = x^3 - 7x^2 - 7x + 69$$

possibilities for 
$$\frac{c}{d}$$
:  $\pm \left\{ \frac{69}{1} \right\} = \pm \{1, 3, 23, 69\}$ 

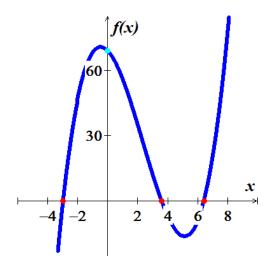
$$x = \frac{10 \pm \sqrt{100 - 92}}{2}$$
$$= \frac{10 \pm 2\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$x = -3, 5 \pm \sqrt{2}$$



$$f(x) > 0$$
  $\left(-3, 5 - \sqrt{2}\right) \cup \left(5 + \sqrt{2}, \infty\right)$ 

$$f(x) < 0 \quad (-\infty, -3) \cup (5 - \sqrt{2}, 5 + \sqrt{2})$$



Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

$$f(x) = x^3 - 3x - 2$$

## Solution

possibilities for  $\frac{c}{d}$ :  $\pm \left\{ \frac{2}{1} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2 \right\}$ 

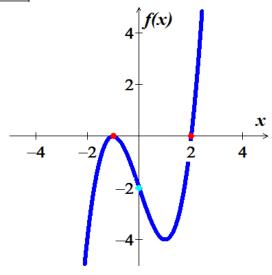
$$x = -1, 2$$

$$x = -1, 2$$
  $a - b + c = 0 \rightarrow x = -1, -\frac{c}{a}$ 

$$x = -1, -1, 2$$

$$f(x) > 0$$
  $(2, \infty)$ 

$$f(x) < 0$$
  $(-\infty, -1) \cup (-1, 2)$ 



Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

$$f(x) = x^3 - 2x + 1$$

### Solution

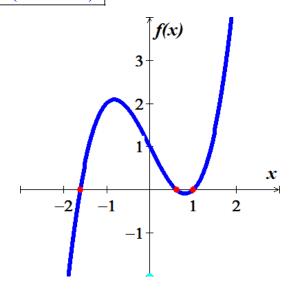
possibilities for  $\frac{c}{d}$ :  $\pm \{1\}$ 

$$x = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

$$x = 1, \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

$$f(x) > 0$$
  $\left(\frac{-1-\sqrt{5}}{2}, \frac{-1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right) \cup (1, \infty)$ 

$$f(x) < 0$$
  $\left(-\infty, \frac{-1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right) \cup \left(\frac{-1+\sqrt{5}}{2}, 1\right)$ 



Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

$$f(x) = x^3 - 2x^2 - 11x + 12$$

### Solution

possibilities for  $\frac{c}{d}$ :  $\pm \left\{ \frac{12}{1} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 12 \right\}$ 

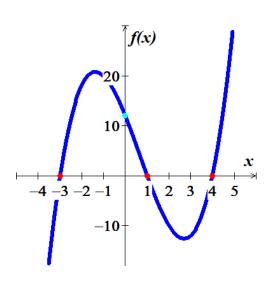
$$x = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1 + 48}}{2}$$
$$= \begin{cases} \frac{1 - 7}{2} = -3\\ \frac{1 + 7}{2} = 4 \end{cases}$$

$$x = -3, 1, 4$$



$$f(x) > 0$$
  $(-3, 1) \cup (4, \infty)$ 

$$f(x) < 0$$
  $(-\infty, -3) \cup (1, 4)$ 



### Exercise

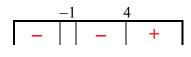
Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

$$f(x) = x^3 - 2x^2 - 7x - 4$$

possibilities for 
$$\frac{c}{d}$$
:  $\pm \left\{ \frac{4}{1} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 4 \right\}$ 

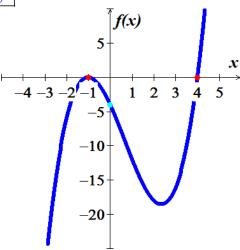
$$\underline{x=-1, 4}$$
  $a-b+c=0 \rightarrow x=-1, -\frac{c}{a}$ 

$$x = -1, -1, 4$$



$$f(x) > 0 \quad (4, \infty)$$

$$f(x) < 0$$
  $(-\infty, -1) \cup (-1, 4)$ 



Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

$$f(x) = x^3 - 10x - 12$$

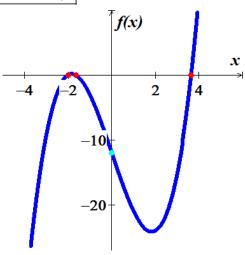
possibilities for 
$$\frac{c}{d}$$
:  $\pm \left\{ \frac{12}{1} \right\} = \pm \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 12 \}$ 

$$x = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 + 24}}{2}$$
$$= \frac{2 \pm 2\sqrt{7}}{2}$$

$$x = -2, \ 1 \pm \sqrt{7}$$

$$f(x) > 0$$
  $\left(-2, 1 - \sqrt{7}\right) \cup \left(1 + \sqrt{7}, \infty\right)$ 

$$f(x) < 0$$
  $\left(-\infty, -2\right) \cup \left(1 - \sqrt{7}, 1 + \sqrt{7}\right)$ 



Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

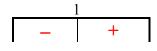
$$f(x) = x^3 - 5x^2 + 17x - 13$$

#### Solution

possibilities for  $\frac{c}{d}$ :  $\pm \left\{ \frac{13}{1} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 13 \right\}$ 

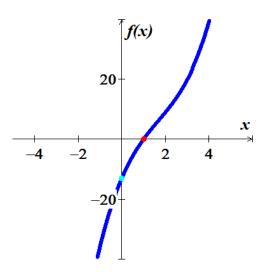
$$x = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{16 - 52}}{2}$$
$$= \frac{4 \pm 6i}{2}$$

$$x = 1, 2 \pm 3i$$



$$f(x) > 0$$
  $(1, \infty)$ 

$$f(x) < 0 \quad (-\infty, 1)$$



Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

$$f(x) = 6x^3 + 25x^2 - 24x + 5$$

#### Solution

$$x = \frac{5 \pm \sqrt{25 - 24}}{12}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{5 - 1}{12} = \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{5 + 1}{12} = \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$

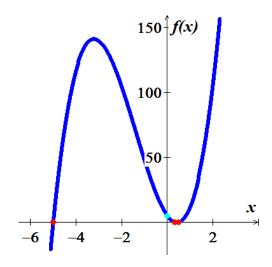
$$x = -5, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{2}$$

$$-5 \qquad \frac{1}{3} \qquad \frac{1}{2}$$

$$- \qquad + \qquad - \qquad +$$

$$f(x) > 0 \qquad (-5, \frac{1}{3}) \cup (\frac{1}{2}, \infty)$$

$$f(x) < 0 \qquad (-\infty, -5) \cup (\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{2})$$



#### Exercise

Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

$$f(x) = 8x^3 + 18x^2 + 45x + 27$$

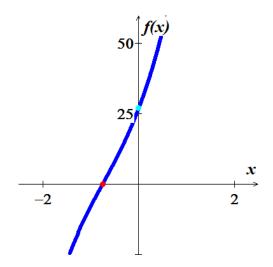
$$x = -\frac{3}{4}, -\frac{3}{4} \pm i \frac{3\sqrt{7}}{4}$$

$$-\frac{3}{4}$$

$$+$$

$$f(x) > 0$$
  $\left(-\frac{3}{4}, \infty\right)$ 

$$f(x) < 0 \quad \left(-\infty, \quad -\frac{3}{4}\right)$$



Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

$$f(x) = 3x^3 - x^2 + 11x - 20$$

possibilities: 
$$\pm \left\{ \frac{20}{3} \right\} = \pm \left\{ \frac{1, 2, 4, 5, 10, 20}{1, 3} \right\}$$
  
=  $\pm \left\{ 1, 2, 4, 5, 10, 20, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{4}{3}, \frac{5}{3}, \frac{10}{3}, \frac{20}{3} \right\}$ 

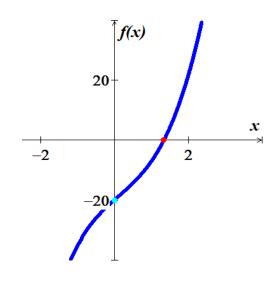
$$x = \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{9 - 180}}{6}$$

$$x = \frac{4}{3}, -\frac{1}{2} \pm i \frac{\sqrt{19}}{2}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c} \frac{4}{3} \\ - & + \end{array}$$

$$f(x) > 0 \quad \left(\frac{4}{3}, \infty\right)$$

$$f(x) < 0 \quad \left(-\infty, \frac{4}{3}\right)$$



Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

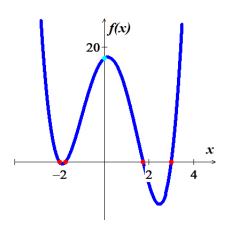
$$f(x) = x^4 - x^3 - 9x^2 + 3x + 18$$

#### Solution

possibilities for  $\frac{c}{d}$ :  $\pm \left\{ \frac{18}{1} \right\} = \pm \{1, 2, 3, 6, 9, 18 \}$ 

$$f(x) > 0$$
  $(-\infty, -2) \cup (-\sqrt{3}, \sqrt{3}) \cup (3, \infty)$ 

$$f(x) < 0 \quad \left(-2, -\sqrt{3}\right) \cup \left(\sqrt{3}, 3\right)$$



#### Exercise

Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

$$f(x) = 2x^4 - 9x^3 + 9x^2 + x - 3$$

#### **Solution**

possibilities for  $\frac{c}{d}$ :  $\pm \left\{ \frac{3}{2} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 3, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2} \right\}$ 

$$x = \frac{5 \pm \sqrt{25 + 24}}{4}$$

$$= \begin{cases}
\frac{5-7}{4} = -\frac{1}{2} \\
\frac{5+7}{4} = 3
\end{cases}$$

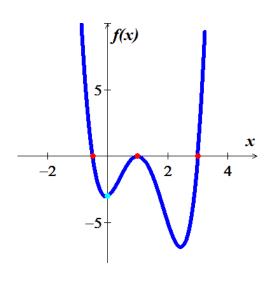
$$x = 1, 1, -\frac{1}{2}, 3$$

$$-\frac{1}{2} \qquad 1 \qquad 3$$

$$+ | - | | - | + |$$

$$f(x) > 0 \qquad (-\infty, -\frac{1}{2}) \cup (3, \infty)$$

$$f(x) < 0 \qquad (-\frac{1}{2}, 1) \cup (1, 3)$$



Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of  $f(x) = 6x^4 + 5x^3 - 17x^2 - 6x$ 

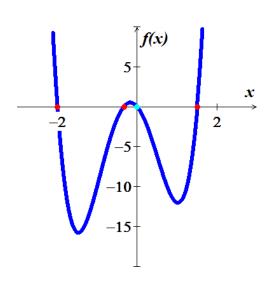
$$x(6x^3 + 5x^2 - 17x - 6) = 0 \rightarrow \underline{x = 0}$$

possibilities: 
$$\pm \left\{ \frac{6}{6} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 3, 6, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3} \right\}$$

$$x = 0, -2, -\frac{1}{3}, \frac{3}{2}$$

$$f(x) > 0$$
  $\left(-\infty, -2\right) \cup \left(-\frac{1}{3}, 0\right) \cup \left(\frac{3}{2}, \infty\right)$ 

$$f(x) < 0 \quad \left(-2, -\frac{1}{3}\right) \cup \left(0, \frac{3}{2}\right)$$



Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

$$f(x) = x^4 - 2x^2 - 16x - 15$$

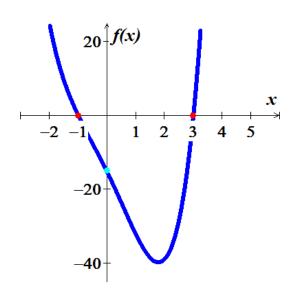
possibilities: 
$$\pm \left\{ \frac{15}{1} \right\} = \pm \{1, 3, 5, 15\}$$

$$x = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{-16}}{2}$$
$$= -1 \pm 2i$$

$$x = -1, 3, -1 \pm 2i$$

$$f(x) > 0$$
  $(-\infty, -1) \cup (3, \infty)$ 

$$f(x) < 0 \quad (-1, 3)$$



Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

$$f(x) = x^4 - 2x^3 - 5x^2 + 8x + 4$$

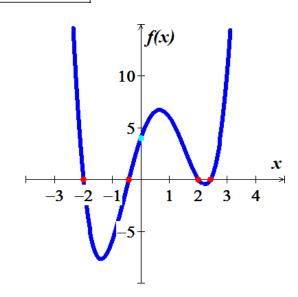
possibilities: 
$$\pm \left\{ \frac{4}{1} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 4 \right\}$$

$$x = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{8}}{2}$$

$$x = -2, 2, 1 \pm \sqrt{2}$$

$$f(x) > 0$$
  $(-\infty, -2) \cup (1 - \sqrt{2}, 2) \cup (1 + \sqrt{2}, \infty)$ 

$$f(x) < 0$$
  $(-2, 1 - \sqrt{2}) \cup (2, 1 + \sqrt{2})$ 



Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

$$f(x) = 2x^4 - 17x^3 + 4x^2 + 35x - 24$$

# **Solution**

-600

-800+

Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

$$f(x) = x^4 + x^3 - 3x^2 - 5x - 2$$

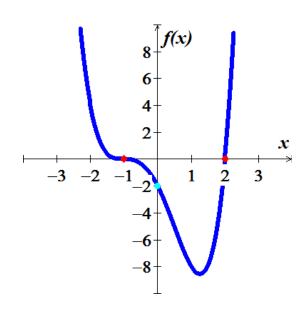
possibilities: 
$$\pm \left\{ \frac{2}{1} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2 \right\}$$

$$x = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1+8}}{2}$$
$$= \begin{cases} \frac{1-3}{2} = -1\\ \frac{1+3}{2} = 2 \end{cases}$$

$$x = -1, -1, -1, 2$$

$$f(x) > 0$$
  $(-\infty, -1) \cup (2, \infty)$ 

$$f(x) < 0 \quad (-2, 2)$$



Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

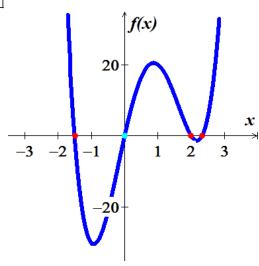
$$f(x) = 6x^4 - 17x^3 - 11x^2 + 42x$$

$$x(6x^3 - 17x^2 - 11x + 42) = 0$$
$$x = 0 \quad 6x^3 - 17x^2 - 11x + 42 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{5 \pm \sqrt{25 + 504}}{12}$$
$$= \begin{cases} \frac{5 - 23}{12} = -\frac{3}{2} \\ \frac{5 + 23}{12} = \frac{7}{3} \end{cases}$$
$$x = -\frac{3}{2}, 0, 2, \frac{7}{3}$$

$$f(x) > 0$$
  $\left(-\infty, -\frac{3}{2}\right) \cup \left(0, 2\right) \cup \left(\frac{7}{3}, \infty\right)$ 

$$f(x) < 0 \quad \left(-\frac{3}{2}, \ 0\right) \cup \left(2, \ \frac{7}{3}\right) \mid$$



Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

$$f(x) = x^4 - 5x^2 - 2x$$

$$x(x^{3} - 5x - 2) = 0$$

$$x = 0 \quad x^{3} - 5x - 2 = 0$$

$$possibilities: \pm \left\{\frac{2}{1}\right\} = \pm \left\{1, 2\right\}$$

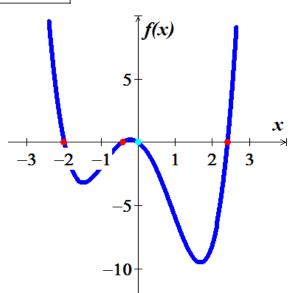
$$-2 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & -5 & -2 \\ & -2 & 4 & 2 \\ \hline & 1 & -2 & -1 & \boxed{0} \end{vmatrix} \rightarrow x^{2} - 2x - 1 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{8}}{2}$$

$$x = -2, 0, 1 \pm \sqrt{2}$$

$$f(x) > 0$$
  $\left(-\infty, -2\right) \cup \left(1 - \sqrt{2}, 2\right) \cup \left(1 + \sqrt{2}, \infty\right)$ 

$$f(x) < 0 \quad \left(-2, 1 - \sqrt{2}\right) \cup \left(2, 1 + \sqrt{2}\right)$$



Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

$$f(x) = 3x^4 - 4x^3 - 11x^2 + 16x - 4$$

possibilities: 
$$\pm \left\{ \frac{4}{3} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 4, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{4}{3} \right\}$$

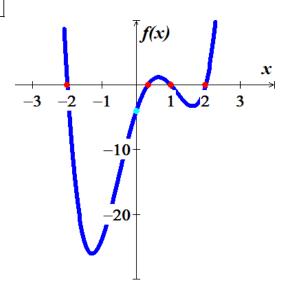
$$x = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{25 + 24}}{6}$$
$$= \begin{cases} \frac{-5 - 7}{6} = -2\\ \frac{-5 + 7}{6} = \frac{1}{3} \end{cases}$$

$$x = -2, \frac{1}{3}, 1, 2$$

$$f(x) > 0 \quad \left(-\infty, -2\right) \cup \left(\frac{1}{3}, 1\right) \cup \left(2, \infty\right)$$

$$f(x) < 0 \quad \left(-2, \frac{1}{3}\right) \cup \left(1, 2\right)$$

$$f(x) < 0 \quad \left(-2, \ \frac{1}{3}\right) \cup \left(1, \ 2\right)$$



Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

$$f(x) = 6x^4 + 23x^3 + 19x^2 - 8x - 4$$

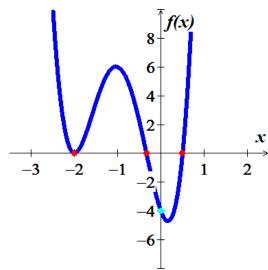
$$x = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{25}}{12}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{1-5}{12} = -\frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1+5}{12} = \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$

$$x = -2, -2, -\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{2}$$

$$-2, -\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{2}$$

$$f(x) > 0 \quad \underbrace{\left(-\infty, -2\right) \cup \left(-2, -\frac{1}{3}\right) \cup \left(\frac{1}{2}, \infty\right)}_{f(x) < 0}$$



Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

$$f(x) = 4x^4 - 12x^3 + 3x^2 + 12x - 7$$

possibilities: 
$$\pm \left\{ \frac{7}{4} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 7, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{7}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{7}{4} \right\}$$

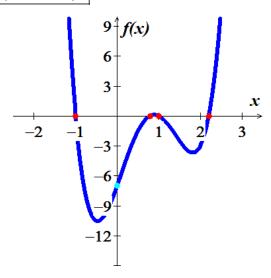
$$\frac{1}{4} = \frac{4 - 12 - 3}{4 - 8 - 5 - 7} = \frac{12 - 7}{4 - 8 - 5 - 7} = \frac{4}{4 - 8 - 5 - 7} = \frac{4}{4 - 12 - 12} = \frac{4}{4 - 12$$

$$x = \frac{12 \pm \sqrt{144 - 112}}{8}$$
$$= \frac{12 \pm 4\sqrt{2}}{8}$$

$$x = -1, 1, \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$f(x) > 0$$
  $\left(-\infty, -1\right) \cup \left(\frac{3-\sqrt{2}}{2}, 1\right) \cup \left(\frac{3+\sqrt{2}}{2}, \infty\right)$ 

$$f(x) < 0 \quad \left(-1, \ \frac{3-\sqrt{2}}{2}\right) \cup \left(1, \ \frac{3+\sqrt{2}}{2}\right)$$



Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

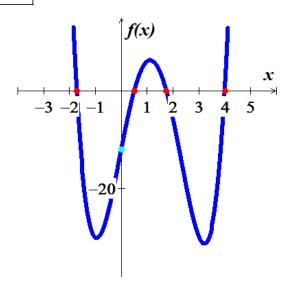
$$f(x) = 2x^4 - 9x^3 - 2x^2 + 27x - 12$$

possibilities: 
$$\pm \left\{ \frac{12}{2} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 12, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2} \right\}$$

$$x = \frac{1}{2}, 4, \pm \sqrt{3}$$

$$f(x) > 0$$
  $\left(-\infty, -\sqrt{3}\right) \cup \left(\frac{1}{2}, \sqrt{3}\right) \cup \left(4, \infty\right)$ 

$$f(x) < 0 \quad \left(-\sqrt{3}, \frac{1}{2}\right) \cup \left(\sqrt{3}, 4\right)$$



Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

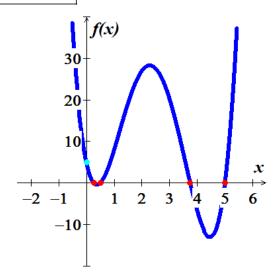
$$f(x) = 2x^4 - 19x^3 + 51x^2 - 31x + 5$$

$$x = \frac{8 \pm \sqrt{64 - 16}}{4}$$
$$= \frac{8 \pm 4\sqrt{3}}{4}$$

$$x = \frac{1}{2}$$
, 5,  $2 \pm \sqrt{3}$ 

$$f(x) > 0 \quad \left(-\infty, 2 - \sqrt{3}\right) \cup \left(\frac{1}{2}, 2 + \sqrt{3}\right) \cup \left(5, \infty\right)$$

$$f(x) < 0 \quad \left(2 - \sqrt{3}, \frac{1}{2}\right) \cup \left(2 + \sqrt{3}, 5\right)$$



Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

$$f(x) = 4x^4 - 35x^3 + 71x^2 - 4x - 6$$

possibilities: 
$$\pm \left\{ \frac{6}{4} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 3, 6, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4} \right\}$$

$$x^{2} - 6x + 2 = 0$$

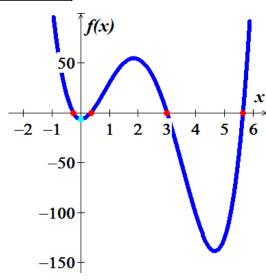
$$x = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{36 - 8}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{6 \pm 2\sqrt{7}}{4}$$

$$x = -\frac{1}{4}$$
, 3,  $3 \pm \sqrt{7}$ 

$$f(x) > 0$$
  $\left(-\infty, -\frac{1}{4}\right) \cup \left(3 - \sqrt{7}, 3\right) \cup \left(3 + \sqrt{7}, \infty\right)$ 

$$f(x) < 0$$
  $\left( -\frac{1}{4}, 3 - \sqrt{7} \right) \cup \left( 3, 3 + \sqrt{7} \right)$ 



Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

$$f(x) = 2x^4 + 3x^3 - 4x^2 - 3x + 2$$

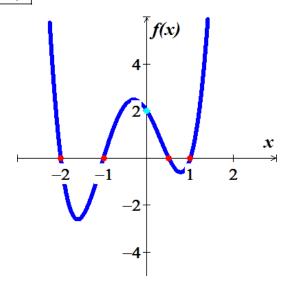
possibilities: 
$$\pm \left\{ \frac{2}{2} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, \frac{1}{2} \right\}$$

$$x = \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{9 + 16}}{4}$$
$$= \begin{cases} \frac{-3 - 5}{4} = -2\\ \frac{-3 + 5}{4} = \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$

$$x = -2, -1, \frac{1}{2}, 1$$

$$f(x) > 0$$
  $(-\infty, -2) \cup (-1, \frac{1}{2}) \cup (1, \infty)$ 

$$f(x) < 0$$
  $\left(-2, -1\right) \cup \left(\frac{1}{2}, 1\right)$ 



Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

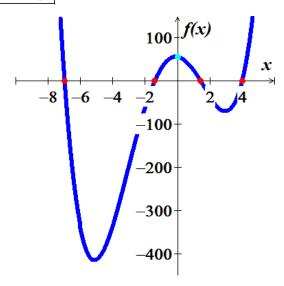
$$f(x) = x^4 + 3x^3 - 30x^2 - 6x + 56$$

possibilities for 
$$\frac{c}{d}$$
:  $\pm \left\{ \frac{56}{1} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 4, 7, 8, 14, 28, 56 \right\}$ 

$$\underline{x=4, -7, \pm \sqrt{2}}$$

$$f(x) > 0$$
  $(-\infty, -7) \cup (-\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{2}) \cup (4, \infty)$ 

$$f(x) < 0 \quad \left(-7, -\sqrt{2}\right) \cup \left(\sqrt{2}, 4\right)$$



Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

$$f(x) = 3x^5 - 10x^4 - 6x^3 + 24x^2 + 11x - 6$$

possibilities for 
$$\frac{c}{d}$$
:  $\pm \left\{ \frac{6}{3} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 3, 6, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3} \right\}$ 

$$x^4 - 13x^3 + 7x^2 + 17x - 6 = 0 \rightarrow \pm \left\{\frac{6}{3}\right\} = \pm \left\{1, 2, 3, 6, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}\right\}$$

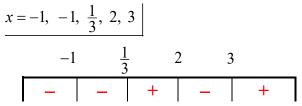
$$3x^3 - 16x^2 + 26x - 6 = 0 \rightarrow \pm \left\{1, 2, 3, 6, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}\right\}$$

$$3x^2 - 10x + 3 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{10 \pm \sqrt{100 - 36}}{6}$$

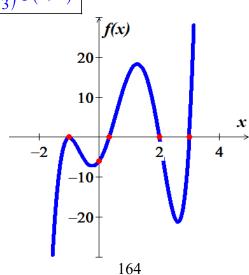
$$= \begin{cases} \frac{10-8}{6} = \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{10+8}{4} = 3 \end{cases}$$

$$x = -1, -1, \frac{1}{3}, 2, 3$$



$$f(x) > 0$$
  $\left(\frac{1}{3}, 2\right) \cup \left(3, \infty\right)$ 

$$f(x) < 0 \quad \left(-\infty, -1\right) \cup \left(-1, \frac{1}{3}\right) \cup \left(2, 3\right)$$



Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

$$f(x) = 6x^5 + 19x^4 + x^3 - 6x^2$$

$$x^{2} \left( 6x^{3} + 19x^{2} + x - 6 \right) = 0 \quad \to \quad \underline{x = 0, \ 0}$$

$$6x^3 + 19x^2 + x - 6 = 0$$

possibilities for 
$$\frac{c}{d}$$
:  $\pm \left\{ \frac{6}{6} \right\} = \pm \left\{ 1, 2, 3, 6, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3} \right\}$ 

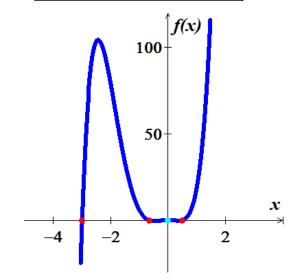
$$x = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1 + 48}}{12}$$

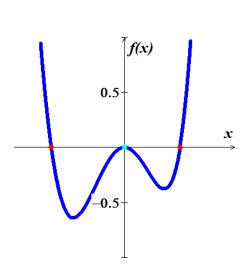
$$= \begin{cases} \frac{-1-7}{12} = -\frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{-1+7}{12} = \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$

$$x = 0, 0, -\frac{2}{3}, -3, \frac{1}{2}$$

$$f(x) > 0 \quad \left(-3, -\frac{2}{3}\right) \cup \left(\frac{1}{2}, \infty\right)$$

$$f(x) < 0 \quad \left(-\infty, -3\right) \cup \left(-\frac{2}{3}, 0\right) \cup \left(0, \frac{1}{2}\right)$$





Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

$$f(x) = x^5 + 5x^4 + 10x^3 + 10x^2 + 5x + 1$$

#### **Solution**

$$x^{5} + 5x^{4} + 10x^{3} + 10x^{2} + 5x + 1 = (x+1)^{5} = 0$$

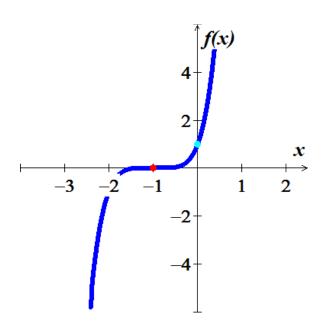
possibilities for  $\frac{c}{d}$ :  $\pm \{1\}$ 

$$x^2 + 2x + 1 = (x+1)^2$$

 $\underline{x = -1}$  (multiplicity of 5)

$$f(x) > 0 \quad \left(-1, \infty\right)$$

$$f(x) < 0 \quad (-\infty, -1)$$



Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

$$f(x) = x^5 - x^4 - 7x^3 + 7x^2 + 12x - 12$$

#### **Solution**

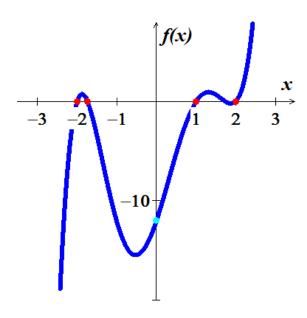
possibilities for  $\frac{c}{d}$ :  $\pm \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 12\}$ 

$$x^2 = 3$$

$$x = -2, 1, 2, \pm \sqrt{3}$$

$$f(x) > 0 \quad \left(-2, -\sqrt{3}\right) \cup \left(1, \sqrt{3}\right) \cup \left(2, \infty\right)$$

$$f(x) < 0 \quad (-\infty, -2) \cup (-\sqrt{3}, 1) \cup (\sqrt{3}, 2)$$



Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

$$f(x) = x^5 - 2x^3 - 8x$$

$$x\left(x^4 - 2x^2 - 8\right) = 0$$

$$x = 0$$

$$x^4 - 2x^2 - 8 = 0.$$

$$x^2 = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 + 32}}{2}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{2-6}{2} = -2\\ \frac{2+6}{2} = 4 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} x^2 = -2 & \to & x = \pm i\sqrt{2} \\ x^2 = 4 & \to & x = \pm 2 \end{cases}$$

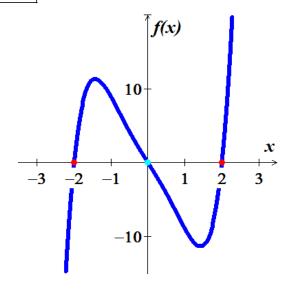
$$\begin{cases} x^2 = 4 & \to & x = \pm 2 \end{cases}$$

$$x = 0, \pm 2, \pm i\sqrt{2}$$



$$f(x) > 0$$
  $(-2, 0) \cup (2, \infty)$ 

$$f(x) < 0$$
  $(-\infty, -2) \cup (0, 2)$ 



Find all values of x such that f(x) > 0 and all x such that f(x) < 0, and then sketch the graph of f(x)

$$f(x) = 3x^6 - 10x^5 - 29x^4 + 34x^3 + 50x^2 - 24x - 24$$

possibilities for 
$$\frac{c}{d}$$
:  $\pm \left\{ \frac{24}{3} \right\}$   
=  $\pm \left\{ 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12, 24, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{4}{3}, \frac{8}{3} \right\}$ 

$$x^{2} - 6x + 6 = 0$$

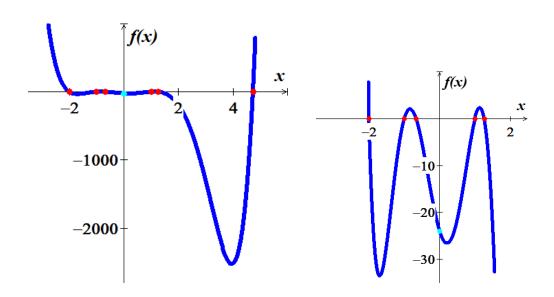
$$x = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{36 - 24}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{6 \pm 2\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$x = -2, -1, 1, -\frac{2}{3}, 3 \pm \sqrt{3}$$

$$f(x) > 0 \quad \left(-\infty, -2\right) \cup \left(-1, -\frac{2}{3}\right) \cup \left(1, 3 - \sqrt{3}\right) \cup \left(3 + \sqrt{3}, \infty\right)$$

$$f(x) < 0$$
  $(-2, -1) \cup (-\frac{2}{3}, 1) \cup (3 - \sqrt{3}, 3 + \sqrt{3})$ 



# **Solution** Section 2.6 – Graphing Rational Functions

# Exercise

Determine all asymptotes of the function:  $y = \frac{3x}{1-x}$ 

# **Solution**

*HA*: y = -3*VA*: x = 1

*Hole*: n/aOblique asymptote: n/a

# Exercise

 $y = \frac{x^2}{x^2 + 9}$ Determine all asymptotes of the function:

# **Solution**

 $VA: n/a x^2 + 9 \neq 0$  HA: y = 1

Hole: n/aOblique asymptote: n / a

#### Exercise

Determine all asymptotes of the function:  $y = \frac{x-2}{x^2-4x+3}$ 

# Solution

 $x^2 - 4x + 3 = 0 \implies x = 1, 3$  $y = \frac{x}{x^2} \to 0$ 

*VA*: x = 1, x = 3 *HA*: y = 0

Oblique asymptote: n / a Hole: n/a

# Exercise

Determine all asymptotes of the function:  $y = \frac{3}{x-5}$ 

# **Solution**

VA: x = 5*HA*: y = 0

Oblique asymptote: n/aHole: n/a

Determine all asymptotes of the function:  $y = \frac{x^3 - 1}{x^2 + 1}$ 

**Solution** 

VA: none

HA: none

Hole: n / a

Oblique asymptote: y = x

 $x^{2} + 1 \overline{\smash)x^{3} - 1}$   $\underline{-x^{3} - x}$  -x - 1  $y = x - \frac{x + 1}{x^{2} + 1}$ 

Exercise

Determine all asymptotes of the function:  $y = \frac{x^3 + 3x^2 - 2}{x^2 + 3x^2}$ 

**Solution** 

 $VA: x = \pm 2$ 

HA: n/a

Hole: n / a

*Oblique asymptote*: y = x + 3

x + 3  $x^{2} - 4 ) x^{3} + 3x^{2} - 2$   $-x^{3} + 4x$   $3x^{2} + 4x - 2$   $-3x^{2} + 12$  4x + 10  $y = x + 3 + \frac{4x + 10}{x^{2} - 4}$ 

Exercise

Determine all asymptotes of the function:  $y = \frac{3x^2 - 27}{(x+3)(2x+1)}$ 

**Solution** 

 $y = \frac{3x^2 - 27}{(x+3)(2x+1)} = \frac{3(x^2 - 9)}{(x+3)(2x+1)} = \frac{3(x+3)(x-3)}{(x+3)(2x+1)} = \frac{3(x-3)}{(2x+1)}$ 

*VA*: x = -3,  $-\frac{1}{2}$  *HA*:  $y = \frac{3}{2}$ 

Hole: n/a Oblique asymptote: n/a

Determine all asymptotes of the function:  $y = \frac{x-3}{x^2-9}$ 

#### **Solution**

$$x^{2} - 9 = 0 \rightarrow \boxed{x = \pm 3}$$

$$y = \frac{x - 3}{(x - 3)(x + 3)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{x + 3}$$

VA: x = 3

HA: v=0

Hole:  $x = 3 \rightarrow y = \frac{1}{6}$  Oblique asymptote: n / a

# Exercise

Determine all asymptotes of the function:  $y = \frac{6}{\sqrt{r^2 - 4r}}$ 

### Solution

$$x^{2} - 4x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x(x - 4) = 0 \rightarrow \boxed{x = 0, 4}$$

*VA*: x = 0, x = 4 *HA*: y = 0

*Hole*: n/a

Oblique asymptote: n / a

# Exercise

 $y = \frac{5x-1}{1-3x}$ Determine all asymptotes of the function:

# **Solution**

$$VA: x = \frac{1}{3}$$

**HA**: 
$$y = -\frac{5}{3}$$

Oblique asymptote: n / a

# Exercise

 $f(x) = \frac{2x-11}{x^2+2x-8}$ Determine all asymptotes of the function:

# **Solution**

*VA*: 
$$x = 2$$
,  $x = -4$  *HA*:  $y = 0$ 

$$HA: y=0$$

Hole: 
$$n/a$$

Oblique asymptote: n / a

Determine all asymptotes of the function:  $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 4x}{x^3 - x}$ 

# **Solution**

$$f(x) = \frac{x(x-4)}{x(x^2-1)}$$
$$= \frac{x-4}{x^2-1}$$

VA: x = -1, x = 1 HA: y = 0

Hole:  $x = 0 \rightarrow y = 4$  Oblique asymptote: n / a

#### Exercise

Determine all asymptotes of the function:  $f(x) = \frac{x-2}{x^3-5x}$ 

#### **Solution**

*VA*: x = 0,  $x = \pm \sqrt{5}$  *HA*: y = 0

Hole: n/a Oblique asymptote: n/a

# Exercise

Determine all asymptotes of the function  $f(x) = \frac{4x}{x^2 + 10x}$ 

# Solution

$$x^2 + 10x = 0 \rightarrow x = 0, -10$$

**Domain**:  $(-\infty, -10) \cup (-10, 0) \cup (0, \infty)$ 

$$f(x) = \frac{4x}{x(x+10)}$$
$$= \frac{4}{x+10}$$

$$VA: x = -10$$
  $HA: y = 0$ 

**Hole**: 
$$x = 0 \rightarrow y = \frac{4}{10} \Rightarrow hole \left(0, \frac{2}{5}\right)$$
 **Oblique asymptote**:  $n \mid a$ 

# Exercise

Determine all asymptotes of the function  $f(x) = \frac{3-x}{(x-4)(x+6)}$ 

*VA*: x = -6 and x = 4 *HA*: y = 0

Hole: n/a Oblique asymptote: n/a

#### Exercise

Determine all asymptotes of the function  $f(x) = \frac{x^3}{2x^3 - x^2 - 3x}$ 

#### Solution

$$2x^3 - x^2 - 3x = x(2x^2 - x - 3) = 0 \rightarrow x = 0, -1, \frac{3}{2}$$

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

*VA*: x = -1 and  $x = \frac{3}{2}$ 

**HA**:  $y = \frac{1}{2}$ 

**Hole**:  $x = 0 \rightarrow y = 0 \Rightarrow hole (0, 0)$ 

Oblique asymptote: n / a

# Exercise

Determine all asymptotes of the function  $f(x) = \frac{3x^2 + 5}{4x^2 - 3}$ 

#### Solution

$$4x^2 - 3 = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad x = \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

**Domain**: 
$$\left(-\infty, -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) \cup \left(-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) \cup \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \infty\right)$$

*VA*: 
$$x = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$
 and  $x = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ 

**HA**:  $y = \frac{3}{4}$ 

Hole: n/a

Oblique asymptote: n / a

#### Exercise

Determine all asymptotes of the function  $f(x) = \frac{x+6}{x^3+2x^2}$ 

# <u>Solution</u>

$$x^3 + 2x^2 = x^2(x+2) = 0 \rightarrow x = 0, -2$$

**Domain**:  $(-\infty, -2) \cup (-2, 0) \cup (0, \infty)$ 

*VA*: x = 0 and x = 2 *HA*: y = 0

Oblique asymptote: n / a *Hole*: n/a

## Exercise

Determine all asymptotes of the function  $f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 4x - 1}{x + 3}$ 

# **Solution**

*VA*: x = -3

HA: n/a

Hole: n/a

Oblique asymptote: y = x + 1

$$x+3 \overline{\smash)x^2+4x-1}$$

 $\frac{x+1}{x+3} \overline{\smash)x^2 + 4x - 1}$   $\frac{-x^2 - 3x}{x-1}$   $\frac{-x-3}{-4}$   $f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 4x - 1}{x+3} = x + 1 - \frac{4}{x+3}$ 

# Exercise

Determine all asymptotes of the function  $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 6x}{x - 5}$ 

# Solution

$$x - 5 = 0 \rightarrow x = 5$$

**Domain**:  $(-\infty, 5) \cup (5, \infty)$ 

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 6x}{x - 5}$$
$$= x - 1 - \frac{5}{x - 5}$$

*VA*: x = 5

*HA*: N/A

Hole: N/A

*Oblique asymptote*: y = x - 1

$$x-5 \sqrt{x^2-6x}$$

$$-x^2+5$$

Determine all asymptotes of the function  $f(x) = \frac{x^3 - x^2 + x - 4}{x^2 + 2x - 1}$ 

# **Solution**

$$x^{2} + 2x - 1 = 0 \rightarrow x = -1 \pm \sqrt{2}$$
**Domain**:  $\left(-\infty, -1 - \sqrt{2}\right) \cup \left(-1 - \sqrt{2}, -1 + \sqrt{2}\right) \cup \left(-1 + \sqrt{2}, \infty\right)$ 

$$f(x) = \frac{x^3 - x^2 + x - 4}{x^2 + 2x - 1}$$
$$= x - 3 + \frac{8x - 7}{x^2 + 2x - 1}$$

*VA*: 
$$x = -1 \pm \sqrt{2}$$

Hole: 
$$n/a$$

*Oblique asymptote*: 
$$y = x - 3$$

$$\frac{x-3}{x^2+2x-1}$$
  $x^3-x^2+x-4$ 

$$\frac{-x^3 - 2x^2 + x}{2}$$

$$-3x^2 + 2x - 4$$

$$3x^2 + 6x - 3$$

#### Exercise

Determine all asymptotes of the function  $f(x) = \frac{4x}{x^2 + 10x}$ 

# **Solution**

$$x^2 + 10x = 0 \rightarrow x = 0, -10$$
 **Domain**:  $(-\infty, -10) \cup (-10, 0) \cup (0, \infty)$ 

$$f(x) = \frac{4x}{x(x+10)} = \frac{4}{x+10}$$

$$VA: x = -10$$
  $HA: y = 0$ 

**Hole**: 
$$x = 0 \rightarrow y = \frac{4}{10} \Rightarrow hole \left(0, \frac{2}{5}\right)$$

Oblique asymptote: n / a

#### Exercise

Determine all asymptotes of the function  $f(x) = \frac{3-x}{(x-4)(x+6)}$ 

**Domain**: 
$$(-\infty, -6) \cup (-6, 4) \cup (4, \infty)$$

*VA*: x = -6 and x = 4 *HA*: y = 0

Hole: n/a Oblique asymptote: n/a

#### Exercise

Determine all asymptotes of the function  $f(x) = \frac{x^3}{2x^3 - x^2 - 3x}$ 

#### **Solution**

$$2x^3 - x^2 - 3x = x(2x^2 - x - 3) = 0 \rightarrow x = 0, -1, \frac{3}{2}$$

**Domain**:  $(-\infty, -1) \cup (-1, 0) \cup (0, \frac{3}{2}) \cup (\frac{3}{2}, \infty)$ 

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

**VA**: x = -1 and  $x = \frac{3}{2}$  **HA**:  $y = \frac{1}{2}$ 

**Hole**:  $x = 0 \rightarrow y = 0 \Rightarrow hole(0, 0)$ 

Oblique asymptote: n/a

# Exercise

Determine all asymptotes of the function  $f(x) = \frac{3x^2 + 5}{4x^2 - 3}$ 

# **Solution**

$$4x^2 - 3 = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad x = \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

**Domain**: 
$$\left(-\infty, -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) \cup \left(-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) \cup \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \infty\right)$$

*VA*: 
$$x = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$
 and  $x = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ 

**HA**: 
$$y = \frac{3}{4}$$

Hole: n/a

Oblique asymptote: n/a

# Exercise

Determine all asymptotes of the function  $f(x) = \frac{x+6}{x^3+2x^2}$ 

# **Solution**

$$x^3 + 2x^2 = x^2(x+2) = 0 \rightarrow x = 0, -2$$
 **Domain**:  $(-\infty, -2) \cup (-2, 0) \cup (0, \infty)$ 

**VA**: x = 0 and x = 2 **HA**: y = 0

Hole: n/a Oblique asymptote: n/a

Determine all asymptotes of the function  $f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 4x - 1}{x + 3}$ 

#### **Solution**

$$x+3=0 \rightarrow x=-3 \qquad \textbf{Domain}: (-\infty, -3) \cup (-3, \infty)$$

$$\frac{x+1}{x+3} \overline{\smash)x^2+4x-1}$$

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

$$\frac{-x-3}{-4}$$

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2+4x-1}{x+3} = x+1-\frac{4}{x+3}$$

$$VA: x=-3 \qquad HA: n/a$$

*Hole*: n/a *Oblique asymptote*: y = x + 1

# Exercise

Determine all asymptotes of the function  $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 6x}{x - 5}$ 

# **Solution**

$$x-5=0 \rightarrow x=5$$

$$x-5 | x-1 |$$

$$x-1 |$$

$$x-5 | x^2-6x$$

$$-x^2+5x$$

$$-x$$

$$\frac{x-5}{-5}$$

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2-6x}{x-5} = x-1-\frac{5}{x-5}$$

Domain:  $(-\infty, 5) \cup (5, \infty)$ 

$$VA: x=5$$

$$HA: N/A$$

$$Hole: N/A$$

$$Oblique asymptote:  $y=x-1$$$

#### Exercise

Determine all asymptotes of the function  $f(x) = \frac{x^3 - x^2 + x - 4}{x^2 + 2x - 1}$ 

$$x^2 + 2x - 1 = 0 \rightarrow x = -1 \pm \sqrt{2}$$

**Domain**:  $\left(-\infty, -1 - \sqrt{2}\right) \cup \left(-1 - \sqrt{2}, -1 + \sqrt{2}\right) \cup \left(-1 + \sqrt{2}, \infty\right)$ 

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x - 3 \\
 x^2 + 2x - 1 \overline{\smash)x^3 - x^2 + x - 4} \\
 \underline{-x^3 - 2x^2 + x} \\
 -3x^2 + 2x - 4
 \end{array}$$

$$-3x^2 + 2x - 4$$

$$\frac{3x^2 + 6x - 3}{8x - 7}$$

$$f(x) = \frac{x^3 - x^2 + x - 4}{x^2 + 2x - 1}$$
$$= x - 3 + \frac{8x - 7}{x^2 + 2x - 1}$$

$$VA: x = -1 \pm \sqrt{2}$$

*HA*: N/A

Hole: N/A

*Oblique asymptote*: y = x - 3

# Exercise

Determine all asymptotes (if any) (Vertical Asymptote, Horizontal Asymptote; Hole; Oblique Asymptote) and sketch the graph of

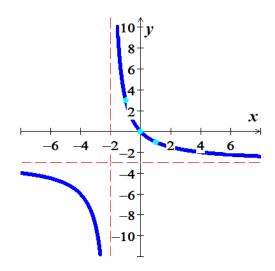
$$f(x) = \frac{-3x}{x+2}$$

#### **Solution**

VA: x = -2 HA: y = -3

Hole: n/a OA: n/a

X	у
0	0
1	-1
-1	3



Determine all asymptotes (if any) (Vertical Asymptote, Horizontal Asymptote; Hole; Oblique Asymptote) and sketch the graph of

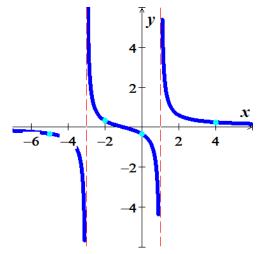
$$f(x) = \frac{x+1}{x^2 + 2x - 3}$$

#### **Solution**

*VA*: x = 1, x = -3 *HA*: y = 0

Hole: n/a Oblique asymptote: n/a

x	v
-5	-0.33
-2	0.33
0	-1/3
4	0.24



#### Exercise

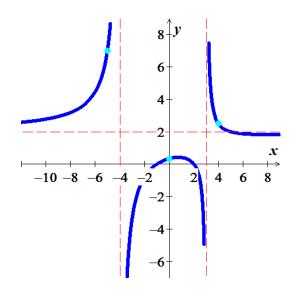
Determine all asymptotes (if any) (Vertical Asymptote, Horizontal Asymptote; Hole; Oblique Asymptote) and sketch the graph of

$$f(x) = \frac{2x^2 - 2x - 4}{x^2 + x - 12}$$

#### **Solution**

*VA*: x = -4, 3 *HA*: y = 2

x	y
-5	7
-2	-0.8
0	1/3
4	2.5
E	2



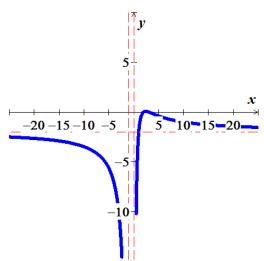
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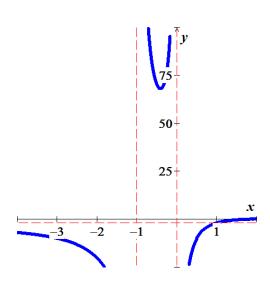
$$f(x) = \frac{-2x^2 + 10x - 12}{x^2 + x}$$

### **Solution**

VA: x = -1, 0 HA: y = -2

Hole: n/a OA: n/a





## Exercise

Determine all asymptotes (if any) (Vertical Asymptote, Horizontal Asymptote; Hole; Oblique Asymptote) and sketch the graph

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2 - x - 6}{x + 1}$$

#### **Solution**

$$\begin{array}{r}
x-2 \\
x+1 \overline{\smash)x^2 - x - 6} \\
\underline{x^2 + x} \\
-2x - 6 \\
\underline{-2x - 2} \\
-4
\end{array}$$

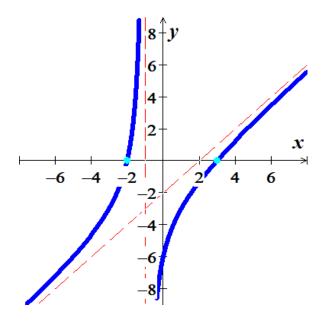
*VA*: x = -1

HA: n/a

*Hole*: n/a

OA: y = x - 2

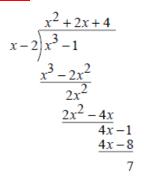
X	y
2	0
-2	0
0	-6



Determine all asymptotes (if any) (Vertical Asymptote, Horizontal Asymptote; Hole; Oblique Asymptote) and sketch the graph

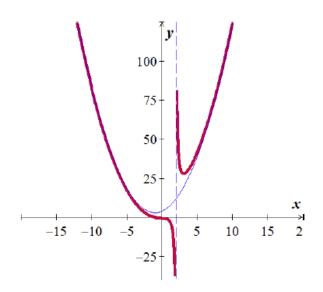
$$f(x) = \frac{x^3 + 1}{x - 2}$$

#### **Solution**



VA: x = 2 HA: n/a

**Hole**: n/a **OA**:  $y = x^2 + 2x + 4$ 



## Exercise

Determine all asymptotes (if any) (Vertical Asymptote, Horizontal Asymptote; Hole; Oblique Asymptote) and sketch the graph

$$f(x) = \frac{2x^2 + x - 6}{x^2 + 3x + 2}$$

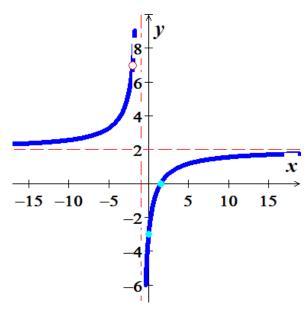
#### **Solution**

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

VA: x = -1 HA: y = 2

**Hole**: (-2, 7) **OA**: n/a

X	y
0	-3
$-\frac{3}{2}$	0



Determine all asymptotes (if any) (Vertical Asymptote, Horizontal Asymptote; Hole; Oblique Asymptote) and sketch the graph

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

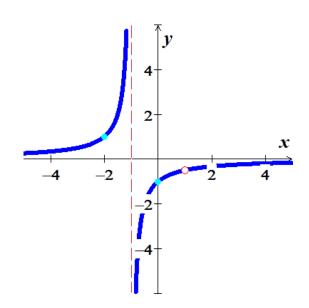
#### **Solution**

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

VA: x = -1 HA: y = 0

**Hole**:  $(1, -\frac{1}{2})$  **OA**: n / a

x	у
0	-1
-2	1



### Exercise

Determine all asymptotes (if any) (Vertical Asymptote, Horizontal Asymptote; Hole; Oblique Asymptote) and sketch the graph

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

## **Solution**

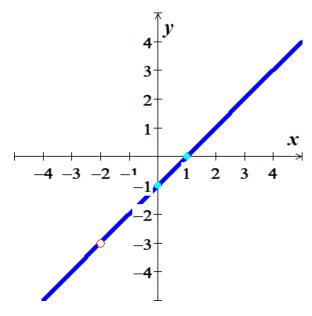
$$f(x) = \frac{(x+2)(x-1)}{x+2}$$
$$= x-1$$

VA: n/a

HA: n/a

**Hole**: (-2, -3) **OA**: n/a

X	y
0	-1
1	0



Determine all asymptotes (if any) (Vertical Asymptote, Horizontal Asymptote; Hole; Oblique Asymptote) and sketch the graph

$$f(x) = \frac{x^3 - 2x^2 - 4x + 8}{x - 2}$$

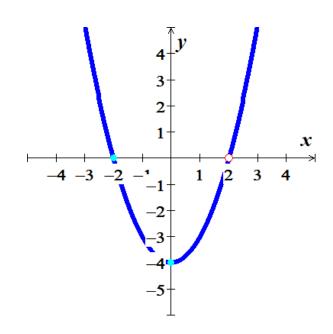
### **Solution**

$$f(x) = \frac{\left(x^2 - 4\right)\left(x - 2\right)}{x - 2}$$
$$= x^2 - 4$$

VA: n/a HA: n/a

**Hole**: (2, 0) **OA**: n/a

x	y
0	-4
-2	0



#### Exercise

Determine all asymptotes (if any) (Vertical Asymptote, Horizontal Asymptote; Hole; Oblique Asymptote) and sketch the graph

$$f\left(x\right) = \frac{2x^2 - 3x - 1}{x - 2}$$

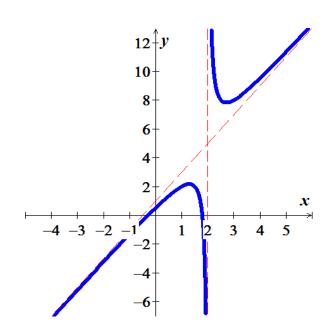
### **Solution**

$$\begin{array}{r}
2x+1 \\
x-2 \overline{\smash)2x^2 - 3x - 1} \\
\underline{-2x^2 + 4x} \\
x-1 \\
\underline{-x+2} \\
1
\end{array}$$

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

*VA*: x = 2 *HA*: y = 1

**Hole**: n / a **OA**: y = 2x + 1



Determine all asymptotes (if any) (Vertical Asymptote, Horizontal Asymptote; Hole; Oblique Asymptote) and sketch the graph

$$f\left(x\right) = \frac{2x+3}{3x^2+7x-6}$$

### **Solution**

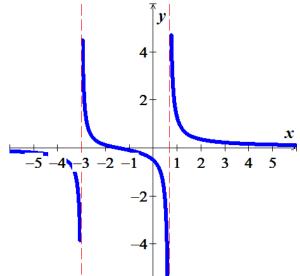
$$3x^2 + 7x - 6 = 0 \implies x = -3, \frac{2}{3}$$

*VA*: 
$$x = -3$$
 and  $x = \frac{2}{3}$ 

$$HA: y = 0$$

Hole: n/a

OA: n/a



### Exercise

Determine all asymptotes (if any) (Vertical Asymptote, Horizontal Asymptote; Hole; Oblique Asymptote) and sketch the graph

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 1}{x^2 + x - 6}$$

#### **Solution**

$$x^2 + x - 6 = 0 \implies x = -3, 2$$

 $VA: x = -3 \quad and \quad x = 2$ 

*HA*: y = 1

Hole: n/a

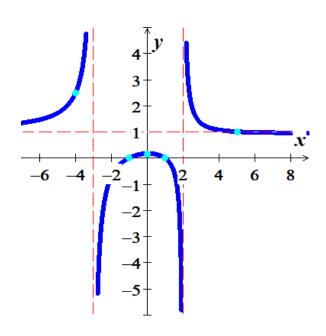
OA: n/a

$$1 = \frac{x^2 - 1}{x^2 + x - 6}$$

$$x^2 + x - 6 = x^2 - 1$$

$$\underline{x} = 5$$

X	y
0	<u>1</u>
5	1
±1	0
-4	$\frac{5}{2}$



Determine all asymptotes (if any) (Vertical Asymptote, Horizontal Asymptote; Hole; Oblique Asymptote) and sketch the graph of

$$f(x) = \frac{-2x^2 - x + 15}{x^2 - x - 12}$$

### Solution

$$x^2 - x - 12 = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \underline{x = -3, 4}$$

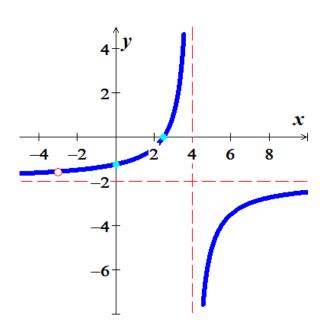
**Domain**:  $(-\infty, -3) \cup (-3, 4) \cup (4, \infty)$ 

$$f(x) = \frac{(-2x+5)(x+3)}{(x-4)(x+3)}$$
$$= \frac{-2x+5}{x-4}$$

VA: x = 4 HA: y = -2

**Hole**:  $\left(-3, -\frac{11}{7}\right)$  **OA**: n / a

x	y
0	$-\frac{5}{4}$
<u>5</u> 2	0



## Exercise

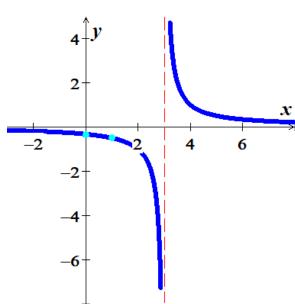
Determine all asymptotes (if any) (Vertical Asymptote, Horizontal Asymptote; Hole; Oblique Asymptote) and sketch the graph of

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x-3}$$

#### Solution

VA: x = 3 HA: y = 0

x	y
0	$-\frac{1}{3}$
1	$-\frac{1}{2}$



Determine all asymptotes (if any) (Vertical Asymptote, Horizontal Asymptote; Hole; Oblique Asymptote) and sketch the graph of

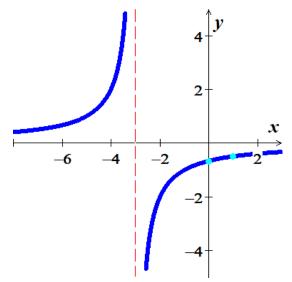
$$f\left(x\right) = \frac{-2}{x+3}$$

### **Solution**

VA: x = -3 HA: y = 0

Hole: n/a OA: n/a

x	y
0	$-\frac{2}{3}$
1	$-\frac{1}{2}$



### Exercise

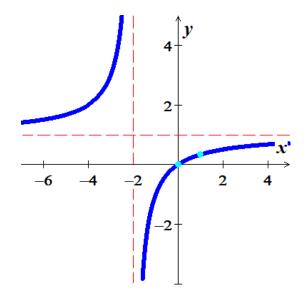
Determine all asymptotes (if any) (Vertical Asymptote, Horizontal Asymptote; Hole; Oblique Asymptote) and sketch the graph of

$$f(x) = \frac{x}{x+2}$$

## **Solution**

VA: x = -2 HA: y = 1

x	У
0	0
1	$\frac{1}{3}$



Determine all asymptotes (if any) (Vertical Asymptote, Horizontal Asymptote; Hole; Oblique Asymptote) and sketch the graph of

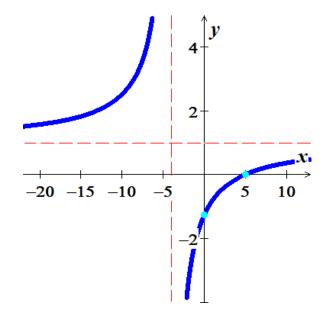
$$f\left(x\right) = \frac{x-5}{x+4}$$

#### **Solution**

*VA*: x = -4 *HA*: y = 1

Hole: n/a OA: n/a

x	у
0	$-\frac{5}{4}$
5	0



## Exercise

Determine all asymptotes (if any) (Vertical Asymptote, Horizontal Asymptote; Hole; Oblique Asymptote) and sketch the graph of

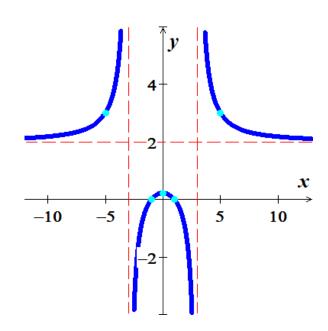
$$f\left(x\right) = \frac{2x^2 - 2}{x^2 - 9}$$

## **Solution**

$$x^2 = 9 \rightarrow \underline{x = \pm 3}$$

*VA*:  $x = \pm 3$  *HA*: y = 2

x	y
0	<u>2</u> 9
±1	0
±5	3



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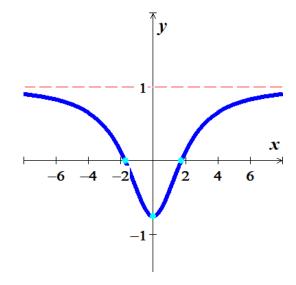
$$f\left(x\right) = \frac{x^2 - 3}{x^2 + 4}$$

## **Solution**

VA: n/a HA: y = 1

Hole: n/a OA: n/a

x	у
0	$-\frac{3}{4}$
$\pm\sqrt{3}$	0



# Exercise

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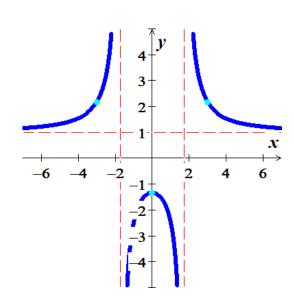
$$f\left(x\right) = \frac{x^2 + 4}{x^2 - 3}$$

## **Solution**

$$x^2 - 3 = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad x = \pm \sqrt{3}$$

*VA*:  $x = \pm \sqrt{3}$  *HA*: y = 1

x	y
0	$-\frac{4}{3}$
±3	<u>13</u>



Determine all asymptotes (if any) (Vertical Asymptote, Horizontal Asymptote; Hole; Oblique Asymptote) and sketch the graph of

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2}{x^2 - 6x + 9}$$

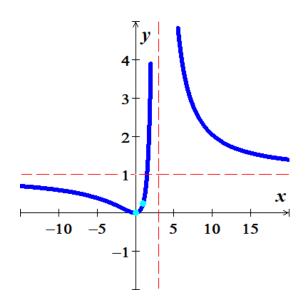
#### **Solution**

$$x^2 - 6x + 9 = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad x = 3$$

VA: x = 3 HA: y = 1

Hole: n/a OA: n/a

X	y
0	0
1	1/4



## Exercise

Determine all asymptotes (if any) (Vertical Asymptote, Horizontal Asymptote; Hole; Oblique Asymptote) and sketch the graph of

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2 + x + 4}{x^2 + 2x - 1}$$

#### **Solution**

$$x^{2} + 2x - 1 = 0$$
$$x = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{8}}{2}$$

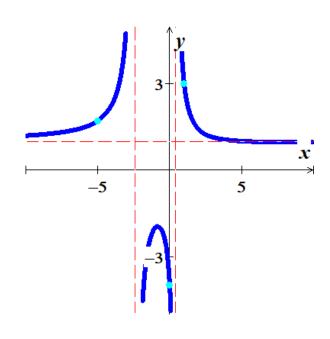
$$=-1\pm\sqrt{2}$$

*VA*:  $x = -1 \pm \sqrt{2}$  *HA*: y = 1

Hole: n/a

OA: n/a

x	у
0	-4
1	3
-5	<u>12</u> 7



Determine all asymptotes (if any) (Vertical Asymptote, Horizontal Asymptote; Hole; Oblique Asymptote) and sketch the graph of

$$f(x) = \frac{2x^2 + 14}{x^2 - 6x + 5}$$

#### **Solution**

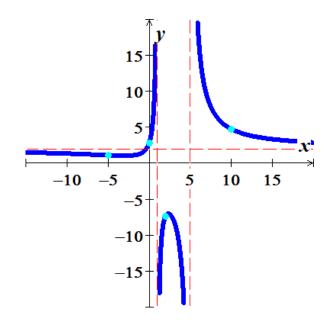
VA: x = 1, 5

*HA*: y = 2

Hole: n/a

OA: n/a

x	y
0	<u>14</u> 5
2	$-\frac{22}{3}$
-5	16 15
10	<u>214</u> 45



## Exercise

Determine all asymptotes (if any) (Vertical Asymptote, Horizontal Asymptote; Hole; Oblique Asymptote) and sketch the graph of

$$f\left(x\right) = \frac{x^2 - 4x - 5}{2x + 5}$$

### **Solution**

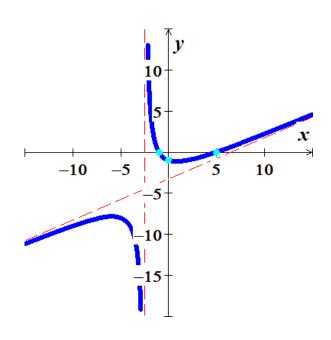
$$\frac{\frac{1}{2}x - \frac{13}{4}}{2x + 5 x^2 - 4x - 5}$$

$$\frac{x^2 + \frac{5}{2}x}{-\frac{13}{2}x - 5}$$

*VA*:  $x = -\frac{5}{2}$  *HA*: n / a

**Hole**: n/a **OA**:  $y = \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{13}{2}$ 

X	y
0	-1
-1, 5	0



Determine all asymptotes (if any) (Vertical Asymptote, Horizontal Asymptote; Hole; Oblique Asymptote) and sketch the graph of

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

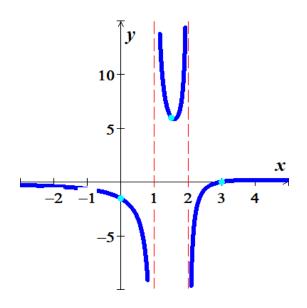
### **Solution**

$$x^2 - 3x + 2 \rightarrow \underline{x = 1, 2}$$

VA: x = 1, 2 HA: y = 0

Hole: n/a OA: n/a

x	y
0	$-\frac{3}{2}$
3	0
$\frac{3}{2}$	6



# Exercise

Determine all asymptotes (if any) (Vertical Asymptote, Horizontal Asymptote; Hole; Oblique Asymptote) and sketch the graph of

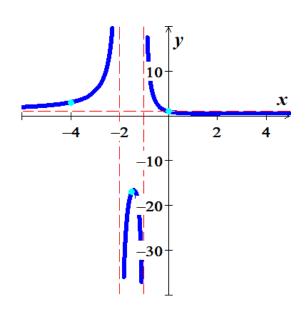
$$f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 2}{x^2 + 3x + 2}$$

### Solution

$$x^2 + 3x + 2 \quad \rightarrow \quad \underline{x = -1, \quad -2}$$

VA: x = -1, -2 HA: y = 1

X	y
0	1
$-\frac{3}{2}$	-17
-4	3



Determine all asymptotes (if any) (Vertical Asymptote, Horizontal Asymptote; Hole; Oblique Asymptote) and sketch the graph of

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

### **Solution**

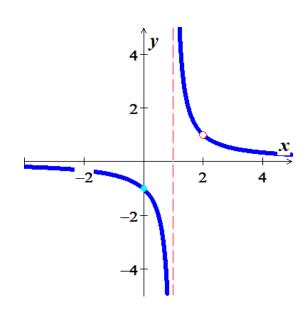
$$x^2 - 3x + 2 \rightarrow \underline{x = 1, 2}$$

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

VA: x = 1 HA: y = 0

**Hole**: (2, 1) **OA**: n/a





### Exercise

Determine all asymptotes (if any) (Vertical Asymptote, Horizontal Asymptote; Hole; Oblique Asymptote) and sketch the graph of

$$f\left(x\right) = \frac{x^2 + x}{x + 1}$$

### **Solution**

$$f(x) = \frac{x(x+1)}{x+1}$$

$$= x$$

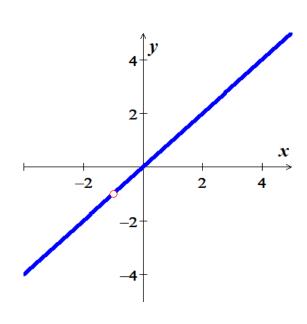
VA: n/a

HA: n/a

**Hole**: (-1, -1) **OA**: n/a

**Hole**: 
$$\left(-3, -\frac{11}{7}\right)$$
 **OA**:  $n / a$ 

x	y
0	0



Determine all asymptotes (if any) (Vertical Asymptote, Horizontal Asymptote; Hole; Oblique Asymptote) and sketch the graph of

$$f\left(x\right) = \frac{x^2 - 2x}{x - 2}$$

### **Solution**

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

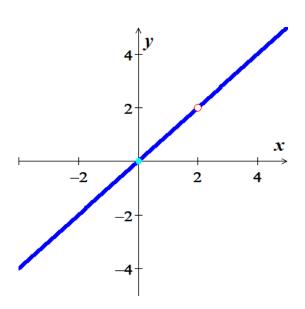
$$= x$$

VA: n/a HA: n/a

**Hole**: (2, 2) **OA**: n/a

**Hole**: 
$$\left(-3, -\frac{11}{7}\right)$$
 **OA**:  $n / a$ 

X	y
0	0



## Exercise

Determine all asymptotes (if any) (Vertical Asymptote, Horizontal Asymptote; Hole; Oblique Asymptote) and sketch the graph of

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

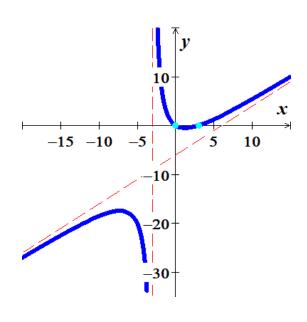
#### **Solution**

$$\begin{array}{r}
x-6 \\
x+3 \overline{\smash)x^2 - 3x} \\
\underline{x^2 + 3x} \\
-6x - 5
\end{array}$$

VA: x = -3 HA: n/a

**Hole**: n / a **OA**: y = x - 6

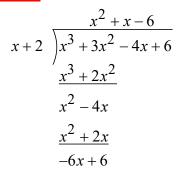
x	y
0	0
3	0



Determine all asymptotes (if any) (Vertical Asymptote, Horizontal Asymptote; Hole; Oblique Asymptote) and sketch the graph of

$$f(x) = \frac{x^3 + 3x^2 - 4x + 6}{x + 2}$$

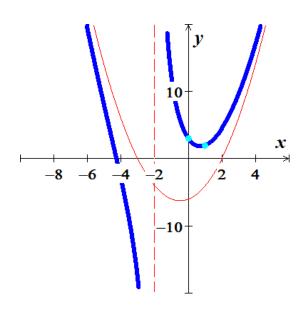
#### **Solution**



VA: x = -2 HA: n/a

**Hole**: n/a **OA**:  $y = x^2 + x - 6$ 





#### Exercise

Find an equation of a rational function f that satisfies the given conditions

 $\begin{cases} vertical \ asymptote: \ x = 4 \\ horizontal \ asymptote: \ y = -1 \\ x - intercept: \ 3 \end{cases}$ 

#### **Solution**

Vertical Asymptote:  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x-4}$ 

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x-4}$$

**Horizontal Asymptote**:  $f(x) = \frac{-x+a}{x-4}$ 

$$f(x) = \frac{-x+a}{x-4}$$

*x-intercept*:

$$f(x=3) = \frac{-3+a}{3-4} = 0 \implies \underline{a=3}$$

$$f(x) = \frac{-x+3}{x-4}$$

Find an equation of a rational function f that satisfies the given conditions

$$\begin{cases} vertical \ asymptote: \ x = -4, x = 5 \\ horizontal \ asymptote: \ y = \frac{3}{2} \\ x - intercept: \ -2 \end{cases}$$

### Solution

Vertical Asymptote: 
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{(x+4)(x-5)}$$

**Horizontal Asymptote**: 
$$f(x) = \frac{3}{2} \frac{(x+a)(x+b)}{(x+4)(x-5)}$$

*x-intercept*: 
$$f(x = -2) = \frac{3}{2} \frac{(-2+a)(-2+b)}{(-2+b)}$$
  
 $0 = (-2+a)(-2+b)$   
 $a = b = 2$ 

$$f(x) = \frac{3}{2} \frac{(x-2)^2}{x^2 - x - 20}$$
$$= \frac{3x^2 - 12x + 12}{2x^2 - 2x - 40}$$

### Exercise

Find an equation of a rational function f that satisfies the given conditions

$$\begin{cases} vertical \ asymptote: \ x = 5 \\ horizontal \ asymptote: \ y = -1 \\ x - intercept: \ 2 \end{cases}$$

# **Solution**

Vertical Asymptote: 
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x-5}$$

*x*-intercept: 
$$f(x) = \frac{x-2}{x-5}$$

**Horizontal Asymptote**: 
$$f(x) = -\frac{x-2}{x-5}$$

$$f(x) = -\frac{x-2}{x-5}$$

Find an equation of a rational function f that satisfies the given conditions

$$\begin{cases} vertical \ asymptote: \ x = -2, \ x = 0 \\ horizontal \ asymptote: \ y = 0 \\ x - intercept: \ 2, \quad f(3) = 1 \end{cases}$$

#### **Solution**

Vertical Asymptote: 
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x(x+2)}$$

*x*-intercept: 
$$f(x) = \frac{x-2}{x(x+2)}$$

**Horizontal Asymptote**: 
$$f(x) = \frac{a(x-2)}{x(x+2)}$$

$$f(3)=1 \rightarrow \frac{a(1)}{(3)(5)}=1 \Rightarrow \underline{a=15}$$

$$f(x) = \frac{15x - 30}{x^2 + 2x}$$

#### Exercise

Find an equation of a rational function f that satisfies the given conditions

$$\begin{cases} vertical \ asymptote: \ x = -3, \ x = 1 \\ horizontal \ asymptote: \ y = 0 \\ x - intercept: \ -1, \quad f(0) = -2 \\ hole: \ x = 2 \end{cases}$$

### **Solution**

Vertical Asymptote: 
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{(x+3)(x-1)}$$

x-intercept: 
$$f(x) = \frac{(x+1)}{(x+3)(x-1)}$$

**Horizontal Asymptote**: 
$$f(x) = \frac{a(x+1)}{(x+3)(x-1)}$$

$$f(0) = -2 \qquad \Rightarrow \frac{a}{-3} = -2 \qquad \Rightarrow \underline{a = 6}$$

Hole at 
$$x = 2$$
: 
$$f(x) = \frac{6(x+1)(x-2)}{(x^2+2x-3)(x-2)}$$

$$f(x) = \frac{6x^2 - 6x - 12}{x^3 - 7x + 6}$$

Find an equation of a rational function f that satisfies the given conditions

$$\begin{cases} vertical\ asymptote:\ x=-1,\ x=3\\ horizontal\ asymptote:\ y=2\\ x-intercept:\ -2,\ 1\\ hole:\ x=0 \end{cases}$$

### Solution

Vertical Asymptote: 
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{(x+1)(x-3)}$$

**Horizontal Asymptote**: 
$$f(x) = \frac{2}{(x+1)(x-3)}$$

**x-intercept**: 
$$f(x) = \frac{2(x+2)(x-1)}{(x+1)(x-3)}$$

**Hole at** 
$$x = 0$$
:  $f(x) = \frac{2x(x+2)(x-1)}{x(x+1)(x-3)}$ 

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