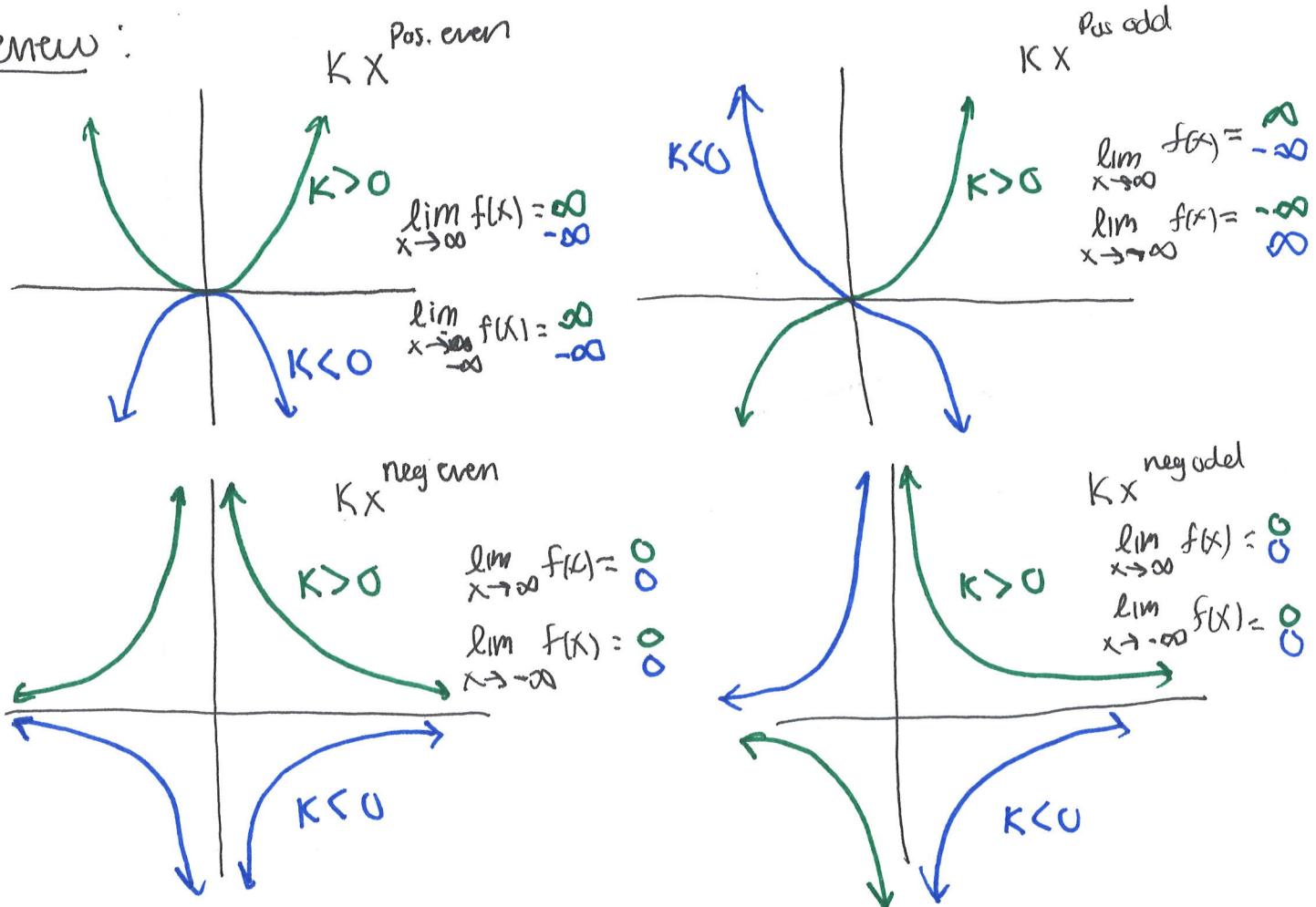


Review:

Recall: the long run behavior of a polynomial  $a_n x^n + \dots + a_1 x + a_0$  is the same as the long run behavior of its leading term  $a_n x^n$ .

#1: Find the roots of ~~2x^2 - 14x~~ and state its long run behavior.

$$\text{Roots: } 0 = 2x^2 - 14x = 2x(x - 7) \text{ roots are } x = 0, 7$$

L.R.B.: Then need to find long run behavior of  $2x^2$  since that's  $2x^2 - 14x$  leading term.

$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} 2x^2 = \infty$	$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} 2x^2 = \infty$
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Long run behavior tells us what happens far away; we will now study what happens "closer" i.e short run behavior. This involves looking at roots!

### Short run behavior:

Fundamental Thm of Algebra: Every polynomial can be factored into linear terms with complex numbers

$$P(x) = K(x - r_1)(x - r_2) \dots (x - r_n)$$

$r_i$  may be complex (we will not worry about that)

Some roots may occur more than once.

Ex:

$$4x^2 - 49 = (2x - 7)(2x + 7)$$

~~Ex~~ 
$$x^3 - 7x^2 = x^2(x - 7)$$

*Caption: some roots come up more than once. We will give this a name!!*

Defn: Let  $P(x) = K(x - r_1)^{d_1} \cdots (x - r_n)^{d_n}$  where  $r_i \neq r_j$  if  $i \neq j$ . I.e no  $r_i$  is the same. We say  $P(x)$  has a root ~~at~~ at  $r_i$  of multiplicity  $d_i$ .

Ex:  $f(x) = (x+3)^2(x-2)(x-4)^2$

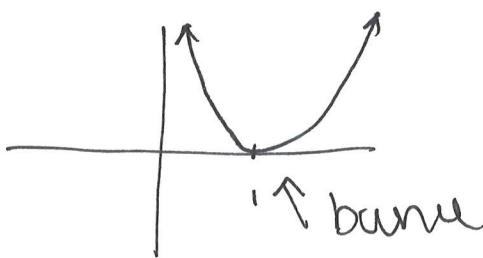
root of -3 mult. 2  
root of 2 mult. 1  
root of 4 mult. 2.

We can tell what a polynomial looks like at roots if we knew its multiplicity (this is what we call short run behavior).

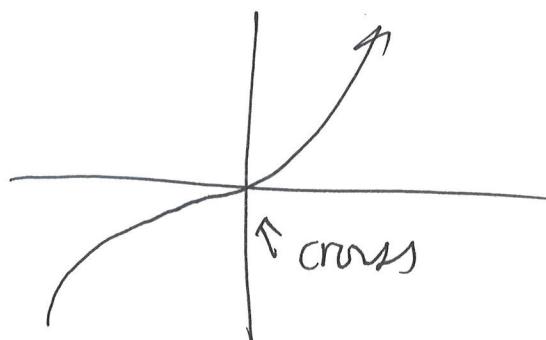
Q: Let  $f(x)$  be a polynomial function

- 1) A root of even mult. ( $2, 4, 6, 8, \dots$ ) bounces off  $x$ -axis
- 2) A root of odd mult. ( $1, 3, 5, 7, \dots$ ) crosses  $x$ -axis

Ex  $(x-1)^2$



$x^3$



Ex: Let's analyse l.r.b and s.r.b of  $f(x) = (x+3)^2(x-2)(x-4)^2$

Lead term	degree	zeros w/multiplicities	"bounces"	"crosses"	l.r.b $x \rightarrow \infty$	l.r.b $x \rightarrow -\infty$
$x^5$	5	$-3(2), 2(1), 4(2)$	$x=-3, x=4$	$x=2$	$\infty$	$-\infty$

Multiply  $(x^2)(x)(x^2)$   
 $(x+3)(x+2)(x-4)^2$

# Ex:  $K(x) = 2(x+1)(x^2-a)$  Graph!

$K(x)$

① S.R.B

$$\text{Factor- } f(x) = 2(x+1)(x^2-a) = 2(x+1)(x-3)(x+3)$$

Cross Bounce at  $x=-1, 3, -3$

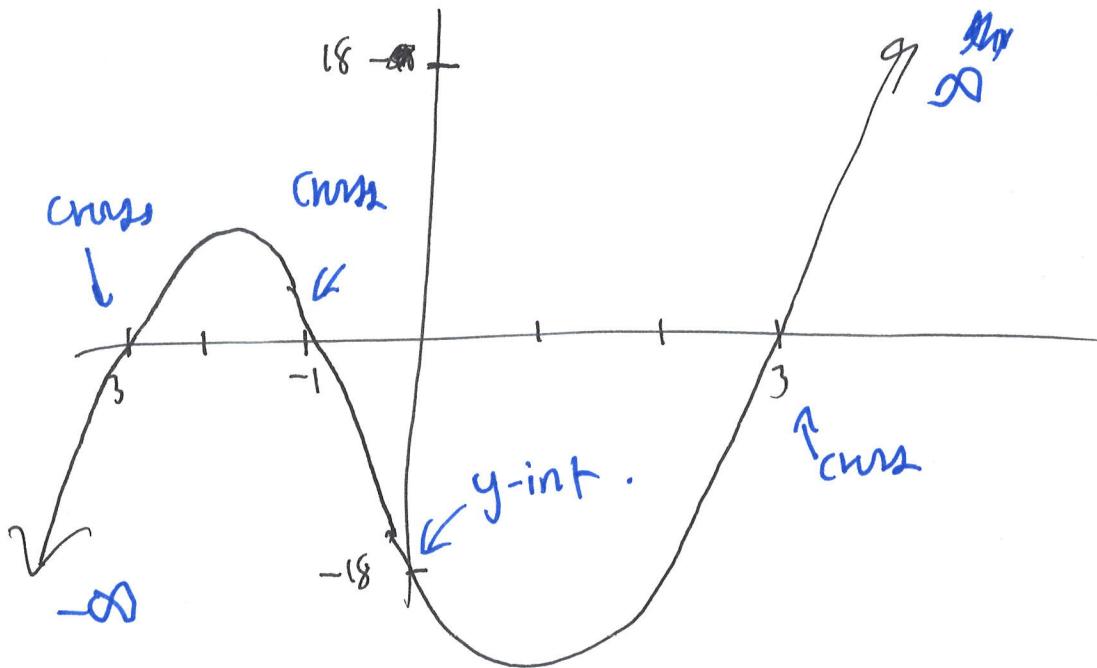
② flat LRB:

- Find leading term :  $2x^3$  ((check!))

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} K(x) = \infty \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} K(x) = -\infty$$

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③ y-int : Plug in  $x=0$   $(0, -18)$



#6 ① Find roots :  $x = -1$   $x = 1$  cross ( $x = 3$ )  
 determine  
 possible  
 mult.

bounce      bounce  
 ↴      ↴  
 smallest possible choice

②  $f(x) = k(x+1)^2(x-1)^2(x-3)$

③ Find  $K$  using ~~any~~ any point on graph:  
 $(2, 1)$  is on graph so

④  $1 = k(2+1)^2(2-1)^2(2-3)$   
 $1 = K \cdot 9 \cdot 1 \cdot (-1)$   
 $K = \frac{-1}{9}$

So  $f(x) = -\frac{1}{9}(x+1)^2(x-1)^2(x-3)$

Lecture : 11/20/23 : Algebraic Functions

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Defn: An algebraic function is

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

where  $p(x)$  and  $q(x)$  are polynomials. Some (most) call these rational functions.

Ex:

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

Reducing Rational Functions:

Ex:  $\frac{(x-4)(2x+1)}{(x-3)(x+3)(x-4)}$

=

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

Ex:

$$\frac{9x^2}{15x^8} = \frac{3}{5x^6}$$

Add/Sub/Mult/Divide Rational Functions:

This works the same way as ~~a~~ fractions of numbers.

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

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

Ex:  $\frac{2}{(x+5)(x+1)} - \frac{6}{(x+5)(x-1)} = \frac{2(x+1)}{(x+5)(x+1)(x-1)} - \frac{6(x+1)}{(x+5)(x+1)(x-1)} = \frac{-4x+4}{(x+5)(x+1)(x-1)}$

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

Ex:  $\frac{2x}{x+1} \cdot \frac{2x+2}{6x^2} = \frac{(2x)(2x+2)}{(x+1)(6x^2)} = \frac{(2x)2(x+1)}{(x+1)6x^2} = \frac{\cancel{2}4x}{6x^2} = \boxed{\frac{\cancel{2}x}{3x}}$

Ex  $\frac{4x}{8x+2} \div \frac{6x+3}{8} = \frac{4x}{8x+2} \cdot \frac{8}{6x+3} = \frac{32x}{(8x+2)(6x+3)} = \boxed{\frac{32x}{48x^2+36x+6}}$

# Lecture 12/11/23: LRB of rational functions

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Recall a rational function is ~~the~~ a fraction of polys.

Ex:  $\frac{x^2+1}{x-1}$

We can talk about their LRB and SRB's, like what we did for plain old polynomials.

LRB: In the long let  $f(x) = \frac{P(x)}{Q(x)}$  be a ~~pp~~ rational function w/ leading term  $P(x) = ax^n$  and leading term of  $Q(x) = bx^m$ . Then l.r.b of  $\frac{P(x)}{Q(x)}$  is the long run behavior of the power function

$$\frac{ax^n}{bx^m} = \frac{a}{b} x^{n-m}.$$

Ex:  $f(x) = \frac{2x}{x^4 - 2x^3 - 1}$

① LRB  $f(x) = \text{LRB of } \frac{2x}{x^4} = 2x^{-3}$ . Hence

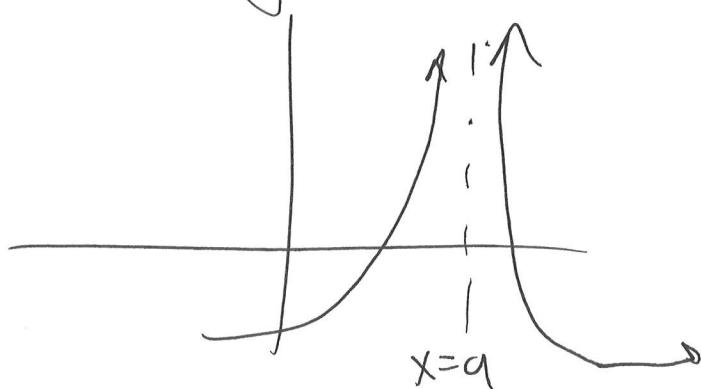
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = 0$$

$$f(x) = \frac{P(x)}{Q(x)}$$

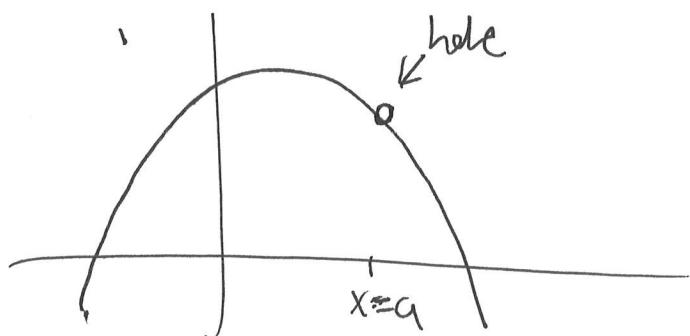
Defn: A rational function has vertical asymptotes at the roots ~~all~~ of  $Q(x)$  (the denominator). It has x-intercepts at the roots ~~all~~ of  $P(x)$ . It has a horizontal asymptote at  $y = \frac{a}{b}$ .

Lecture 12/12/23 : Short run behavior of rational functions.

Defn:  $f(x) = \frac{P(x)}{Q(x)}$ . If  $a$  is a root of  $q$  (i.e.  $q(a)=0$ ) and  $P(a) \neq 0$  we say  $f(x)$  has a vertical asymptote at  $x=a$ .



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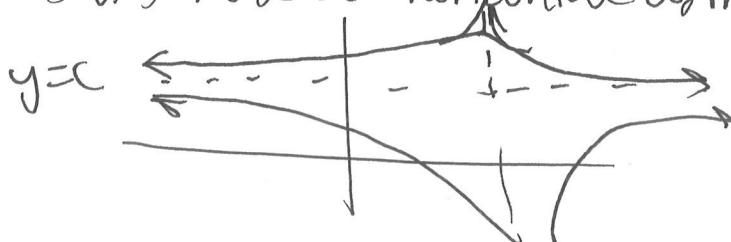


Defn: let  $f(x) = \frac{P(x)}{Q(x)}$ . If

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{P(x)}{Q(x)} = C \stackrel{\text{finite!}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{P(x)}{Q(x)}$$

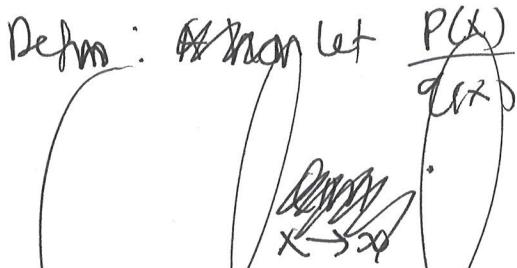
$\uparrow x \rightarrow \infty$

we say  $f(x)$  has a horizontal asymptote at  $y=C$



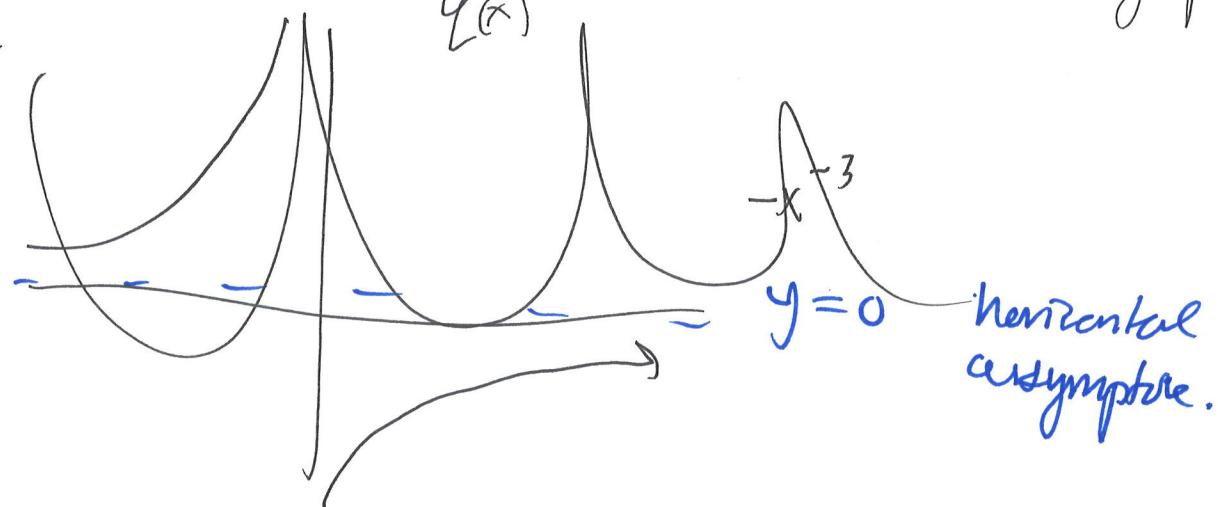
Defn: When let  $\frac{P(x)}{Q(x)}$  be a rational function. If

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Both long run behaviors of  $\frac{P(x)}{Q(x)}$  are the same and finite equal to  $c < \infty$ . Then  $\frac{P(x)}{Q(x)}$  has a horizontal asymptote

at  $y = c$



We will use all the ideas we have talked about to graph rational functions!

Graph

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

① Find zeros of  $p(x)$  (numerators)

$$p(x) = (x+3)(x-2) \neq 0$$

or Zeros:  $x = -3$   $x = 2$

② Find zeros of  $q(x)$  and determine if they signify a hole or ~~giving~~ vertical int.

$$q(x) = x^2 - 1 = (x+1)(x-1)$$

Roots:  $x = 1$ ,  $x = -1$

- No holes since  $p(x)$  and  $q(x)$  don't share roots
- 2 ~~or~~ vertical asymptotes at  $x = 1$  and  $x = -1$ .

③ LRB Divide leading terms of numerator and denominator

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2}{x^2} = 1 = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2}{x^2}$$

