

# SOLUTIONS

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## Math 157 Quiz 4 July 28, 2022

$$f' = \frac{1 \cdot (x^2 - 9) - x \cdot 2x}{(x^2 - 9)^2} = \frac{-9 - x^2}{(x^2 - 9)^2} = -\frac{9 + x^2}{(x^2 - 9)^2} < 0$$

1. Consider the function  $f(x) = \frac{x}{x^2 - 9}$ .

$$f''(x) = -\left[ \frac{2x(x^2 - 9) - (9 + x^2) \cdot 2x}{(x^2 - 9)^4} \right]$$

a) Find the intervals where the function is increasing or decreasing and the relative extrema.

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

b) Find the intervals where the function is concave upward or concave downward, and the inflection points.

$$= \frac{-2x^3 + 18x + 36x + 4x^3}{(x^2 - 9)^3}$$

c) Graph the function.

$$= \frac{2x^3 + 54x}{(x^2 - 9)^3} = \frac{2x(x^2 + 27)}{(x^2 - 9)^3}$$

a)  $f'(x) < 0$  for the  $D_f$ :  $D_f = (-\infty, -3) \cup (-3, 3) \cup (3, \infty)$

$\therefore f$  decreasing  $(-\infty, -3) \cup (-3, 3) \cup (3, \infty)$

No critical numbers and therefore no relative extrema.

b)  $f'' = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$  possible inflection point  $(0, 0)$

I	$(-\infty, -3)$	$(-3, 0)$	$(0, 3)$	$(3, \infty)$
$z$	-10	-1	1	10
$f'$	-ve	+ve	-ve	+ve
$f$	$\wedge$	$\cup$	$\wedge$	$\cup$

Inflection  
pt.

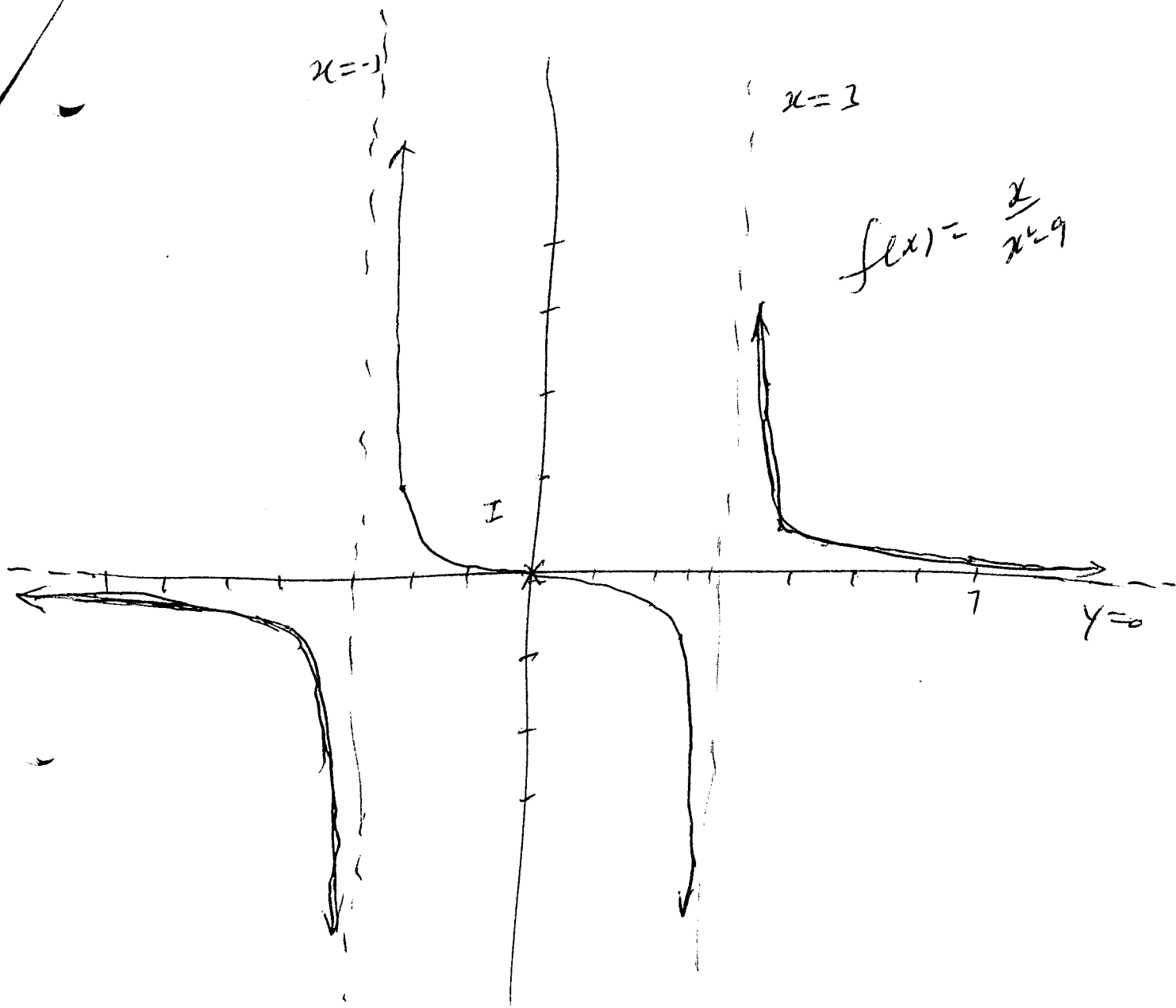
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H.A.  $y = 0$

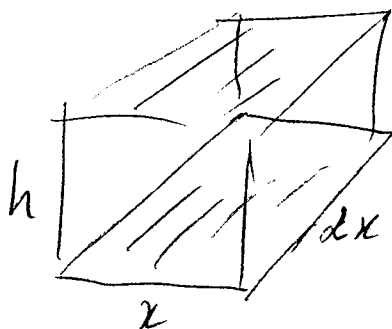
V.A.  $x = \pm 3$

$f(-x) = -f(x)$  odd  
Symmetric about  
the origin.



$x$	$f(x) = \frac{x}{x^2-9}$
-1	0.125
-2	0.4
-2.5	0.90...
4	0.157
7	0.175

2. A company needs to design a metal box container with a volume of  $128 \text{ m}^3$  and that is twice as long as it is wide. The top and bottom will be made of a sturdy material that costs  $\$12/\text{m}^2$ , while the material for the sides costs  $8/\text{m}^2$ . Find the dimensions and cost of the least expensive container. [8 marks]



$$\text{Volume} = 128 = x \cdot 2x \cdot h$$

$$\therefore h = \frac{64}{x^2}$$

$$\text{total Cost} = 2(2x^2)(12) + 8[2hx + 2 \cdot 2xh]$$

$$= 48x^2 + 48hx$$

$$C(x) = 48x^2 + \frac{(48)(64)}{x} = 48 \left[ x^2 + \frac{64}{x} \right], x > 0$$

$$C'(x) = 48 \left( 2x - \frac{64}{x^2} \right); C' = 0 \Rightarrow x = 32^{1/3} \approx 3.17480$$

$$C''(x) = 48 \left( 2 + \frac{128}{x^3} \right) > 0$$

$$h = \frac{(2)(32)}{32^{1/3}} = (2)(2)^{1/3}$$

$$\approx 6.34960$$

Since  $C''(32^{1/3}) > 0$ , by SDT rel. min;  
and by CPT the absolute minimum.

$\therefore$  For the least expensive container we have  
 $(32)^{1/3} \times 2(32)^{1/3} \times 2(32)^{1/3}$

$$\text{and this minimum cost} = (144)(32)^{2/3} \approx \$1451.43$$