
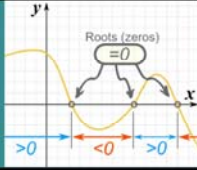


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Roots (zeros)
 $= 0$

> 0 < 0 > 0

3.1 Characteristics of Polynomials

Types of Polynomial Functions (the variable has a whole number exponent):

Constant:

Linear:

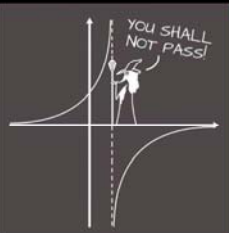
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Cubic:

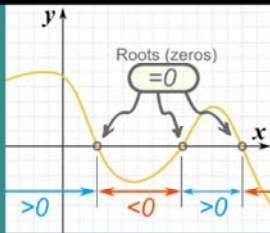
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Roots (zeros)
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Characteristics:

Degree:

Leading Coefficient:


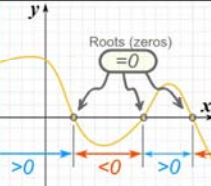
Constant Term:

X-Intercepts:

End Behaviour:

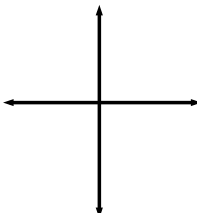
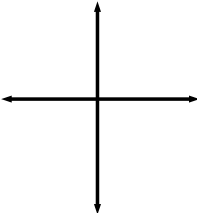
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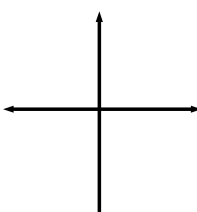
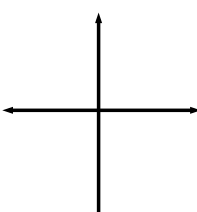



Investigate the End-Behaviour of Even Functions: x^2 and x^4


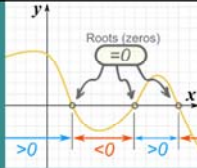
$f(x) = x^2$

$f(x) = x^4$

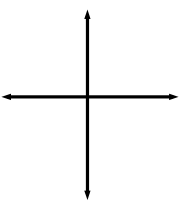
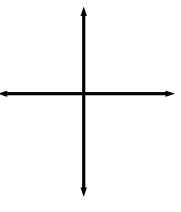



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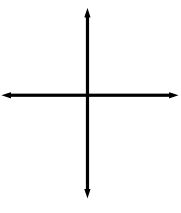
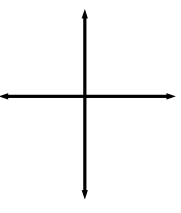



Investigate the End-Behaviour of Odd Functions: x^3 and x^5

$f(x) = x^3$

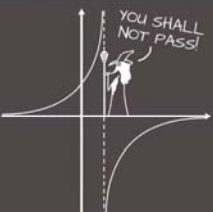
$f(x) = x^5$

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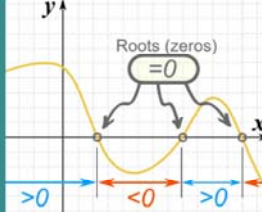
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Roots (zeros) = 0

>0 <0 >0

3.2 Synthetic Division and The Remainder Theorem

Recall: Long Division with Numbers

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Roots (zeros) = 0

>0 <0 >0

Terminology:

Quotient and Remainder

Divisor

Dividend

$f(x)$ = Dividend
 $g(x)$ = Divisor
 $q(x)$ = Quotient and Remainder

then,

$$f(x) = g(x) q(x) + \text{Remainder} / \text{Divisor}$$

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Now, long division with polynomials:

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Long division is a great way to divide polynomials. However, there is a simpler way that removes all the variables and just works with the coefficients; Synthetic Division.

Synthetic Division:

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What does this tell us about polynomials?

In Math 20-1: $f(x) = x^2 + 7x + 6$ factors to $(x + 6)(x + 1)$ so x -int's are -6, -1.

In Math 30-1: We use synthetic division to see if there is a remainder. **If there is a remainder, the divisor is not a factor of the dividend.**

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The Remainder Theorem:

If a polynomial, $f(x)$, is divided by $(x - a)$, the remainder is the constant $f(a)$, and
dividend = quotient \times divisor + remainder

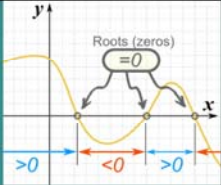

$$f(x) = q(x) \cdot (x - a) + f(a)$$

where $q(x)$ is a polynomial with degree one less than the degree of $f(x)$.

So with our quadratic example:

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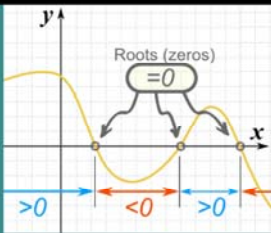
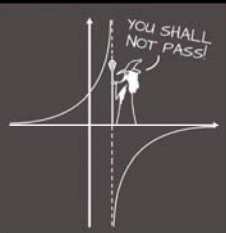


Ex.) Divide $2x^3 + 3x^2 - 4x + 15$ by $(x+3)$.

Ex.) Divide $5x^4 - 3x^2 + 2x - 7$ by $(x+2)$.

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Ex.) Use the remainder theorem to find the remainder when $P(x) = x^3 - 10x + 6$ is divided by $x-4$.

Ex.) Use synthetic division to divide $4x^5 - 3x^3 + 7x^2 - 6$ by $(x+1)$.

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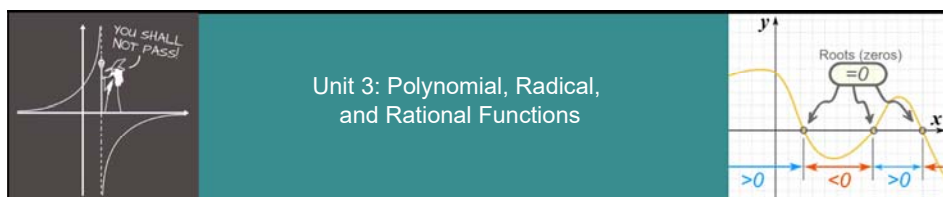
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Ex.) When $P(x) = x^3 + 4x^2 - x + k$ is divided by $(x-1)$, the remainder is 3. What is the value of 'k'?

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3.3 The Factor Theorem

The Factor Theorem states that if $f(a) = 0$ for a polynomial, then $(x-a)$ is a factor of the polynomial $f(x)$.

Ex.) Fully factor the following polynomials:

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

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b) $P(x) = x^3 - x^2 - 4x + 4$

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c) $P(x) = 2x^3 - 5x^2 - 4x + 3$

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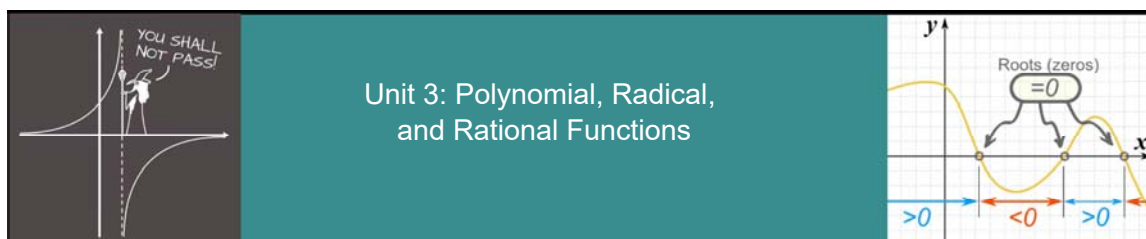
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d) $P(x) = x^4 - 5x^3 + 2x^2 + 20x - 24$

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3.4 Graphing Polynomials

$$P(x) = a(x+b)(x-c)(x-d)(x-e)$$

Degree: 4

$$a < 0$$

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$$P(x) = a(x+b)(x-c)(x-d)$$

Degree: 3

$$a > 0$$

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Multiplicity: - the power of the factor

Even Power: the graph is tangent to the x-axis

Odd Power: the graph cuts the x-axis

Ex.) Sketch and find degree, multiplicity, and the roots of the following:

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

b) $P(x) = a(x + 3)^3(x - 4)^2$

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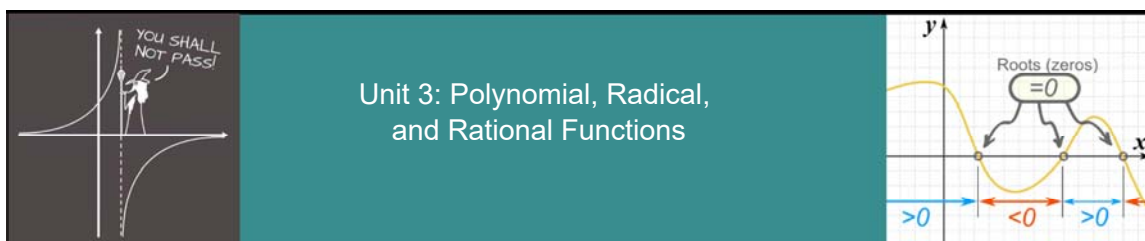


Ex.) Given $P(x) = 3(x - 2)(x + 1)(x - 4)^2$, sketch the graph.

Ex.) Sketch $P(x) = -2(x + 3)^2(x - 5)^3$.

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3.5 Determining the Equation of a Polynomial

$$P(x) = a(x - b)(x - c)(x - d)...$$

Here's the information you may be given in a question or on a graph in order to write the equation:

- roots (x-int, related to factors)
- multiplicities of roots
- degree of the equation
- a point on the graph (x,y)

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Ex.) A polynomial function has zeros at -3 and 4 and passes through the point (1,15). The multiplicity of (-3,0) is 1 and the multiplicity of (4, 0) is 2. Find $P(x)$.

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Ex.) Determine the equations for the following:

a) Roots at $x = 3$, $x = 4$, $x = -7$ and it passes through (2, 54).

b) Roots at $x = 4$ multiplicity of 3, $x = 1$ multiplicity of 2, and passes through (0, 32).

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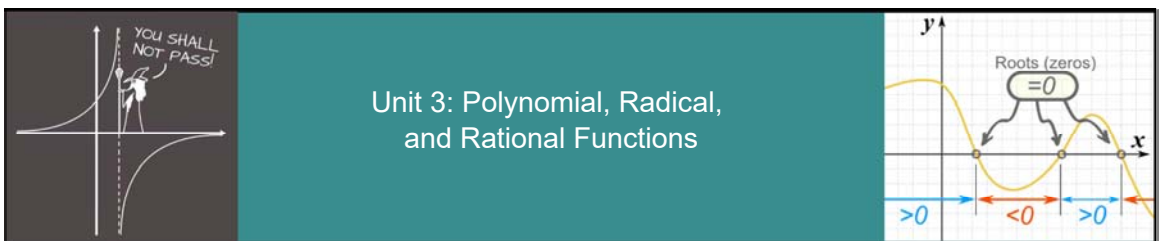
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c) Roots at $x = 0, -4, 2$ (mult. of 2) and passes through $(-2, 128)$.

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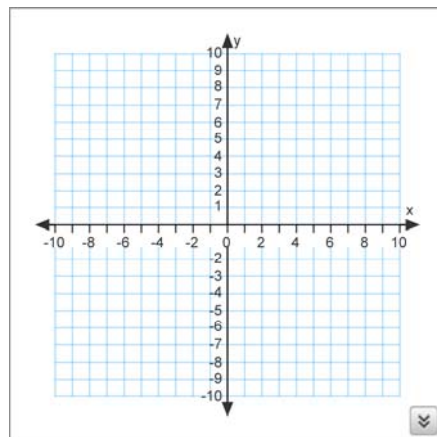
3.6 Transformations of Radical Functions

Graph $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$.

Recall: Transformations

Function Notation

Equation



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Ex.) For each of the following, describe the transformations and state domain, range, x-int, and y-int.

a)

b)

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c)

d)

e)

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f)

g)

h)

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Ex.) Given the graph, determine the radical function.

a)

b)

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c)

d)

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3.7 Graphing the Square Root of a Function

Graph $f(x) = 2x + 1$ and $\sqrt{f(x)}$

| | | |
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| Domain: | | |
| Range: | | |
| X-int: | | |
| Y-int: | | |
| Invariant | | |
| Points: | | |

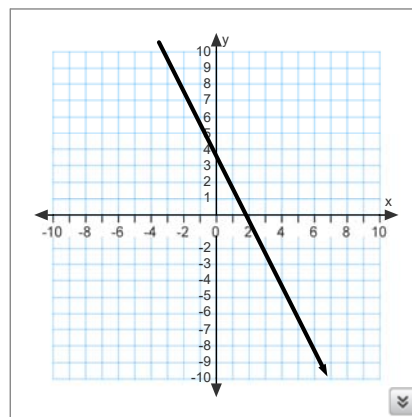
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Graph $f(x) = 3 - 2x$ and $\sqrt{f(x)}$

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| Range: | | |
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| Y-int: | | |
| Invariant | | |
| Points: | | |

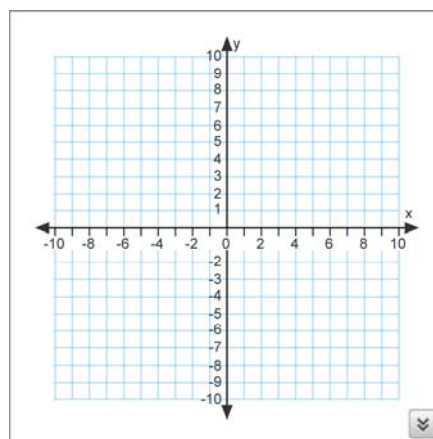


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Graph $f(x) = x^2 - 4$ and $\sqrt{f(x)}$

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| Domain: | | |
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| X-int: | | |
| Y-int: | | |
| Invariant | | |
| Points: | | |



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Graph $f(x) = x^2 + 5$ and $\sqrt{f(x)}$

| | | |
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| Domain: | | |
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| X-int: | | |
| Y-int: | | |
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| Points: | | |

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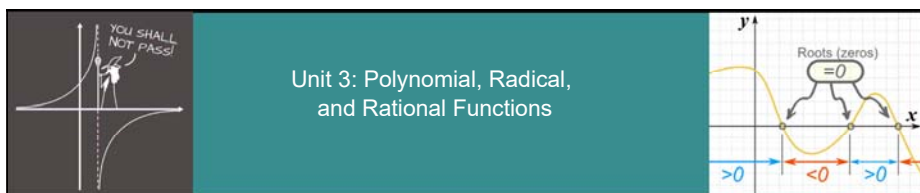
Graph $f(x) = x^2 - x - 6$ and $\sqrt{f(x)}$

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| Domain: | | |
| Range: | | |
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| Points: | | |

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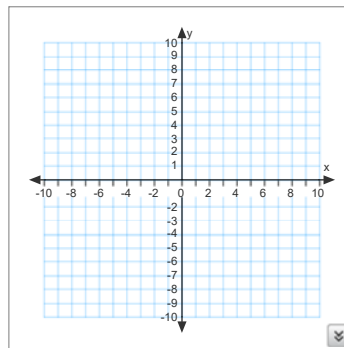
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3.8 Rational Functions

Graph $f(x) = x$ and the reciprocal:

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| Domain: | | |
| Range: | | |
| X-int: | | |
| Y-int: | | |
| Invariant | | |
| Points: | | |
| Asymptotes: | | |



Vertical Asymptote - make the denominator equal to zero

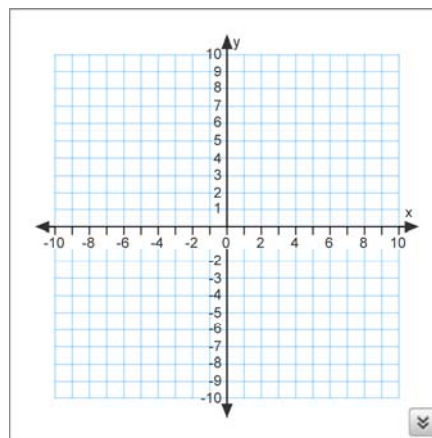
Horizontal Asymptote - divide the coefficients of the highest degree terms

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

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| Domain: | | |
| Range: | | |
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| Y-int: | | |
| Asymptotes: | | |



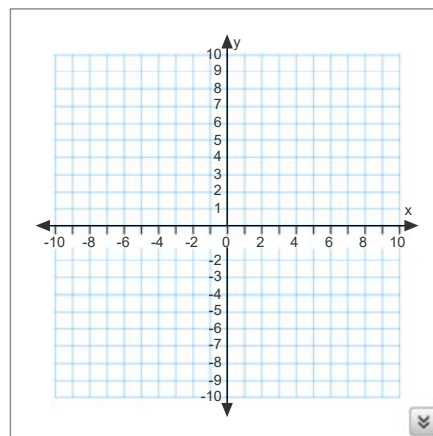
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Graph $f(x) = \frac{2x + 2}{x - 4}$

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| Domain: | |
| Range: | |
| X-int: | |
| Y-int: | |
| Asymptotes: | |

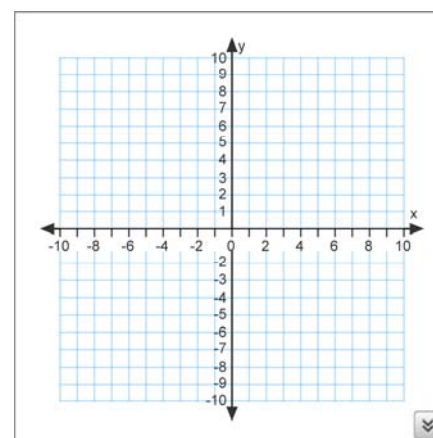


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Graph $f(x) = \frac{3}{x^2 - 10x + 25}$

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|-------------|--|
| Domain: | |
| Range: | |
| X-int: | |
| Y-int: | |
| Asymptotes: | |



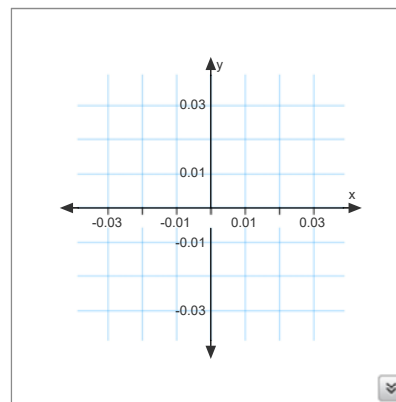
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Graph $f(x) = \frac{2x^2 - 5x - 3}{x^2 - 1}$

| | |
|-------------|--|
| Domain: | |
| Range: | |
| X-int: | |
| Y-int: | |
| Asymptotes: | |



* It is possible to cross a horizontal asymptote on occasion. Vertical asymptotes are not crossed.

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Other possible graphs(but not all possibilities):

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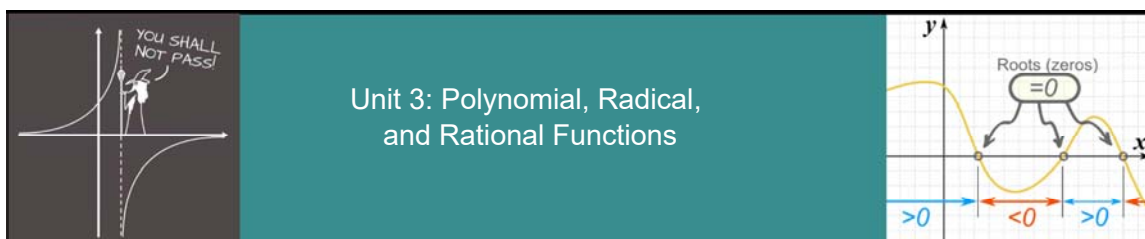


Ex.) a. List the transformations required to transform the mother function $y = \frac{1}{x}$ to $y = \frac{5}{x+2} - 6$.

b. Using a common denominator, rewrite the function as one fraction.

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3.9 Analyzing Rational Functions

Point of Discontinuity:

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Ex.) Determine the asymptotes, the x, y-intercepts, and the point of discontinuity for the following:

a) $y = \frac{x^2 - 5x + 6}{x - 3}$

b) $y = \frac{x^2 - 2x}{4 - 2x}$

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c) $y = \frac{x^2 + 7x + 6}{x^2 + 8x + 12}$

d) $y = \frac{2x^2 - 15x + 7}{x - 7}$

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Ex.) **Determine** the equation in factored form of the rational function with HA $y = 2$, VA $x = 0$, and point of discontinuity $(1, 5)$.

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