

Chapter 6 - Polynomials

1. Divide using long division and/or synthetic division.

a.  $(x^3 + 3x^2 - 2x - 4) \div (x - 2)$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 2 & 1 & 3 & -2 & -4 \\ & & 2 & 10 & 16 \\ \hline & 1 & 5 & 8 & 12 \end{array}$$

$x^2 + 5x + 8, \text{ rem } 12$

b.  $(x^4 - x + 2) \div (x^2 + 1)$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 - 1 \\ x^2 + 1 \overline{) x^4 + 0x^3 + 0x^2 - x + 2} \\ \underline{-(x^4 + x^2)} \phantom{-x + 2} \\ -x^2 - x + 2 \\ \underline{-(-x^2 - 1)} \\ -x + 3 \end{array}$$

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

2. Determine the end behavior of the graphs of these functions.

a.  $y = 3x^4 - 5x^2 + 3x - 4$

deg = even  
 lead coeff > 0 up, up

b.  $y = -5x^3 - 3x + 1$

deg = odd  
 lead coeff < 0 up, down

3. Write an equation in standard form of a second degree polynomial that has zeros of 7 and -2.

$f(x) = (x - 7)(x + 2)$

$f(x) = x^2 - 5x - 14$

4. Write an equation in standard form of a third degree polynomial that has zeros of 5 and 3i.

$f(x) = (x - 5)(x - 3i)(x + 3i)$

$= (x - 5)(x^2 - 9i^2)$

$= (x - 5)(x^2 + 9)$

$f(x) = x^3 - 5x^2 + 9x - 45$

5. A polynomial equation has roots 3, -4i and 2 - 3i, what is the least possible degree of the polynomial?

3, -4i, 4i, 2 - 3i, 2 + 3i  $\rightarrow$  at least 5<sup>th</sup> degree

6. Test to see if -3 is a possible root of  $6x^3 - 4x^2 + x - 3 = 0$ .

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} -3 & 6 & -4 & 1 & -3 \\ & & -18 & 66 & -201 \\ \hline & 6 & -22 & 67 & -204 \end{array}$$

not zero. Thus -3 is not a root.

7. Is  $x + 1$  a factor of  $f(x) = 5x^4 - 8x^2 + 15x - 10$ ?

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrrr} -1 & 5 & 0 & -8 & 15 & -10 \\ & & -5 & 5 & 3 & -18 \\ \hline & 5 & -5 & -3 & 18 & -28 \end{array}$$

not zero no

8. Find  $p(4)$  if  $p(x) = -3x^3 - 7x^2 + 2x + 12$  (without the use of a calculator)

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 4 & -3 & -7 & 2 & 12 \\ & & -12 & -76 & -296 \\ \hline & -3 & -19 & -74 & -284 \end{array}$$

$P(4) = -284$

9. Solve for x by factoring.  
 a.  $x^4 - 3x^2 - 18 = 0$

$$(x^2 - 6)(x^2 + 3) = 0$$

$$x^2 - 6 = 0$$

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

$$x = \pm\sqrt{6}$$

$$x^2 + 3 = 0$$

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

$$x = \pm i\sqrt{3}$$

$$\rightarrow 2x^3 + 2x^2 - 8x - 8 = 0$$

10. For the following polynomial  $5x^3 - 2x^2 + x - 15 = 0$   
 a. List all the possible rational roots (Rational Root Theorem)

factors of 15:  $\pm 1, \pm 3, \pm 5, \pm 15$   
 factors of 5:  $\pm 1, \pm 5$   
 ~~$\pm 1, \pm 3, \pm 5, \pm 15$~~   
 ~~$\pm 1, \pm 3, \pm 5, \pm 15$~~

b. Graph to find one that works and test it with synthetic division.

~~★ nonework~~  
~~irrational roots~~

$$\begin{array}{r} 2 \mid 2 \quad 2 \quad -8 \quad -8 \\ \quad 4 \quad 12 \quad 8 \\ \hline 2 \quad 6 \quad 4 \quad 0 \end{array}$$

$$P = 8 \mid 8, 1, 4, 2$$

$$q = 2 \mid 1, 2$$

$$\pm 4, \pm 8, \pm \frac{1}{2}, \pm 1, \pm 2$$

c. Use part b to help find the rest of the solutions (there should be 3!)

~~$\pm 1, \pm 3, \pm 5, \pm 15$~~

$$2x^2 + 6x + 4 = 0$$

$$2(x^2 + 3x + 2) = 0$$

$$2(x + 2)(x + 1) = 0$$

$$x = 2$$

$$x = -2, -1$$

11. For each function, find the following and then graph. You may have to simplify the first one. (without a calculator)

$f(x) = x^4 + 2x^2 - 8 =$

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

$$x^2 - 2 = 0$$

$$x^2 = 2$$

$$x = \pm\sqrt{2}$$

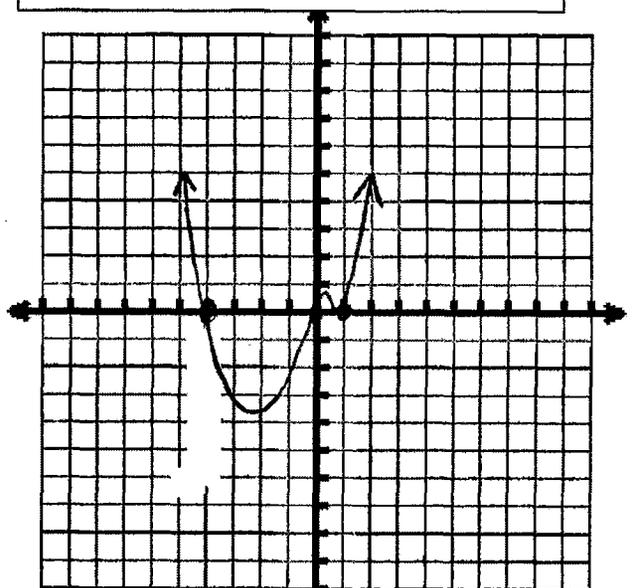
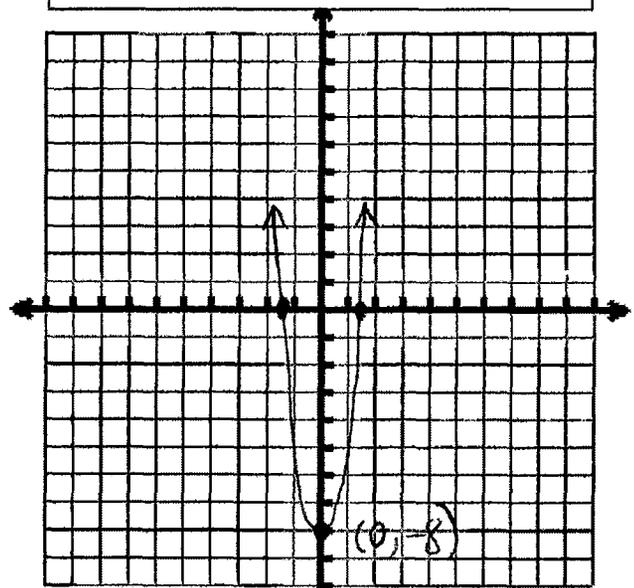
Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$   
 Range:  $y \geq -8$   
 x-intercept(s) with multiplicities:  
 $\pm\sqrt{2}$  mult = 1  
 y-intercept: ~~(0, 0)~~  $(0, -8)$

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

deg = 4, LC > 0

Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$   
 Range:  $\mathbb{R}$   
 x-intercept(s) with multiplicities:  
 $x = 0$ ,  $x = 1$ ,  $x = -4$   
 mult = 0, mult = 2, mult = 1  
 y-intercept:  $(0, 0)$

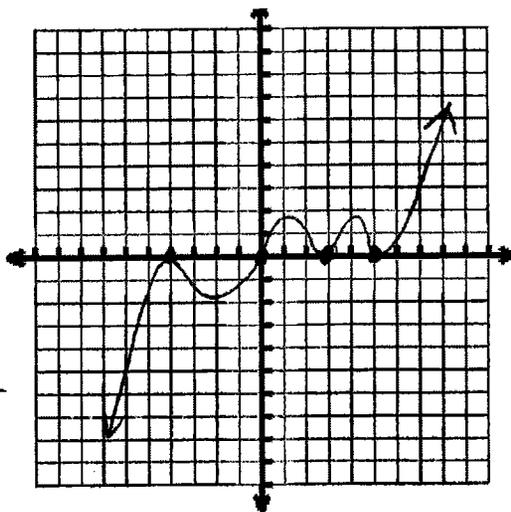
up, up



12. Graph a 7<sup>th</sup> degree polynomial function with a positive leading coefficient given its zeros are 3 with a multiplicity of 2, 0 with a multiplicity of 1, 5 with a multiplicity of 2, and -4 with a multiplicity of 2.

deg = odd > down up  
LC > 0

$x=3$ , mult = 2  $\rightarrow$  bounce  
 $x=0$ , mult = 1  $\rightarrow$  cross  
 $x=5$ , mult = 2  $\rightarrow$  bounce



13. Describe the combinations of possible number and types of roots of the equation  $x^4 - 4x^2 = 0$ .

4th degree: ① 0 real, 4 imaginary  
② 2 real, 2 imaginary  
③ 4 real, 0 imaginary

### Chapter 7 - Radicals

14. Let  $f(x) = x^2 + 4$ . Find:

a.  $f^{-1}(x)$

$$x = y^2 + 4$$

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

$$y = \pm\sqrt{x-4}$$

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

b.  $(f^{-1} \circ f)(5)$

$$\boxed{5}$$

c.  $(f \circ f^{-1})(c)$

$$\boxed{c}$$

For #15 - 20, let  $f(x) = 2x + 5$  and  $g(x) = x^2 - 3x + 2$

15.  $f(7) + g(3)$

$$(2(7)+5) + (3^2 - 3(3) + 2)$$

$$19 + 2$$

$$\boxed{21}$$

16.  $4f(7) + 6g(3)$

$$4(19) + 6(2)$$

$$76 + 12$$

$$\boxed{88}$$

17.  $f(x) - g(x)$

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

$$2x+5 - x^2 + 3x - 2$$

$$\boxed{-x^2 + 5x + 3}$$

18.  $(g + f)(x)$

$$= g(x) + f(x)$$

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

$$\boxed{x^2 - x + 7}$$

19.  $(f \circ g)(x)$

$$f(g(x))$$

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

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

$$\boxed{2x^2 - 6x + 9}$$

20.  $g(f(x))$

$$g(2x+5)$$

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

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

$$\boxed{4x^2 + 14x + 12}$$

21. Describe how the graph  $y = \sqrt{x-4} - 2$  is translated from the graph of  $y = \sqrt{x}$ .

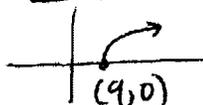
4 right, 2 down

22. Given  $f(x) = \sqrt{x-9}$ , state the domain and range of  $f(x)$ , then find the inverse of the function.

domain:  $x-9 \geq 0$

$$\boxed{D: x \geq 9}$$

range:  $y \geq 0$



$$x = \sqrt{y-9}$$

$$x^2 = y - 9$$

$$x^2 + 9 = y$$

$$\boxed{f^{-1}(x) = x^2 + 9}$$

$$x \geq 0$$

Solve. Check for extraneous solutions (without a calculator)

23.  $(\sqrt{x-3} = x-5)^2$  square both sides

$$\begin{array}{r} x-3 = x^2 - 10x + 25 \\ -x+3 \quad -x+3 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$0 = x^2 - 11x + 28$$

$$0 = (x-7)(x-4)$$

$$\boxed{x=7}, \text{ } \cancel{x=4}$$

25.  $(\sqrt{x+4} = \sqrt{3x})^2$

$$x+4 = 3x$$

$$4 = 2x$$

$$\boxed{2 = x}$$

24.  $(3x+4)^{\frac{1}{3}} = (-5)^{\frac{1}{3}}$

$$\begin{array}{r} 3x+4 = -125 \\ -4 \quad -4 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\frac{3x}{3} = \frac{-129}{3}$$

$$\boxed{x = -43}$$

26.  $[(x-4)^{\frac{1}{2}} = x-6]^2$

$$\begin{array}{r} x-4 = x^2 - 12x + 36 \\ -x+4 \quad -x+4 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$0 = x^2 - 13x + 40$$

$$0 = (x-8)(x-5)$$

$$\boxed{x=8}, \text{ } \cancel{x=5}$$

cube both sides

Simplify. (without a calculator).

27.  $\sqrt{7x^3} \cdot \sqrt{14x}$

$$\sqrt{98x^4}$$

$$\boxed{7x^2\sqrt{2}}$$

28.  $\frac{\sqrt{7x^4y}}{\sqrt{63xy^2}}$  Simplify fraction first!

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{\frac{x^3}{9y}} &= \frac{\sqrt{x^3}}{3\sqrt{y}} = \frac{\sqrt{x^2} \cdot \sqrt{x}}{3\sqrt{y}} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{x^2y}}{3y} \rightarrow \frac{x\sqrt{xy}}{3y} \end{aligned}$$

29.  $\sqrt{48} + 2\sqrt{75} + 5\sqrt{12}$

$$\begin{aligned} &\sqrt{3 \cdot 16} + 2\sqrt{3 \cdot 25} + 5\sqrt{3 \cdot 4} \\ &4\sqrt{3} + 10\sqrt{3} + 10\sqrt{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{24\sqrt{3}}$$

30.  $(7+\sqrt{3})(3+5\sqrt{3})$

$$\begin{aligned} &21 + 35\sqrt{3} + 3\sqrt{3} + 5\sqrt{9} \\ &21 + 38\sqrt{3} + 5(3) \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{36 + 38\sqrt{3}}$$

31.  $\frac{5}{3-2\sqrt{6}} \cdot \left(\frac{3+2\sqrt{6}}{3+2\sqrt{6}}\right)$   
multiply by conjugate of the denominator.

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{15 + 10\sqrt{6}}{9 + 6\sqrt{6} - 6\sqrt{6} - 4\sqrt{36}} \\ &\frac{15 + 10\sqrt{6}}{9 - 24} = \frac{15 + 10\sqrt{6}}{-15} = \frac{3 + 2\sqrt{6}}{-3} \end{aligned}$$

32.  $\frac{3+\sqrt{5}}{2-\sqrt{5}} \left(\frac{2+\sqrt{5}}{2+\sqrt{5}}\right)$

$$\frac{6 + 3\sqrt{5} + 2\sqrt{5} + 5}{4 - 125}$$

$$\frac{11 + 5\sqrt{5}}{-1} = \boxed{-11 - 5\sqrt{5}}$$

33.  $x^{\frac{1}{6}} \cdot x^{\frac{1}{3}}$  (add exponents)

$$x^{\frac{1}{6} + \frac{2}{6}}$$

$$x^{\frac{3}{6}} = \boxed{x^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

34.  $\left(\frac{8x^2y^3}{27x^2y^{12}}\right)^{\frac{2}{3}}$

$$\left(\frac{8x^7}{27y^9}\right)^{\frac{2}{3}} = \frac{4x^{14/3}}{9y^6}$$

35.  $(125)^{\frac{2}{3}}$

$$\frac{1}{125^{2/3}} = \frac{1}{(\sqrt[3]{125})^2}$$

$$\frac{1}{5^2} = \boxed{\frac{1}{25}}$$

Continue simplifying (without a calc)

$$36. \sqrt[3]{48} + 5\sqrt[3]{24}$$

$\begin{matrix} \wedge & \wedge \\ 16 \cdot 3 & 8 \cdot 3 \end{matrix}$

$$\sqrt[3]{2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 3} + 5\sqrt[3]{2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 3}$$

$$\boxed{2\sqrt[3]{6} + 10\sqrt[3]{2}}$$

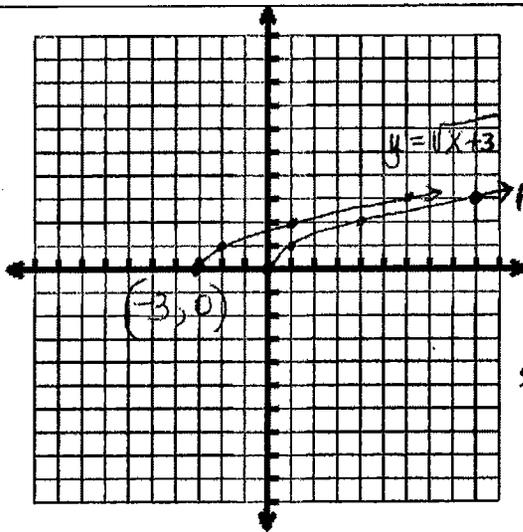
$$37. \frac{\sqrt[3]{2xy}}{\sqrt[3]{4x^2}} = \sqrt[3]{\frac{y}{2x} \cdot \frac{4x^2}{4x^2}} = \frac{\sqrt[3]{4x^2y}}{2x}$$

denom =  $\sqrt[3]{8x^3}$

38. For each function, find the following and then graph. (Without a calculator, which means you should graph the parent function first!)

a.  $y = \sqrt{x+3}$  (left 3)

Domain:  $x \geq -3$       Range:  $y \geq 0$

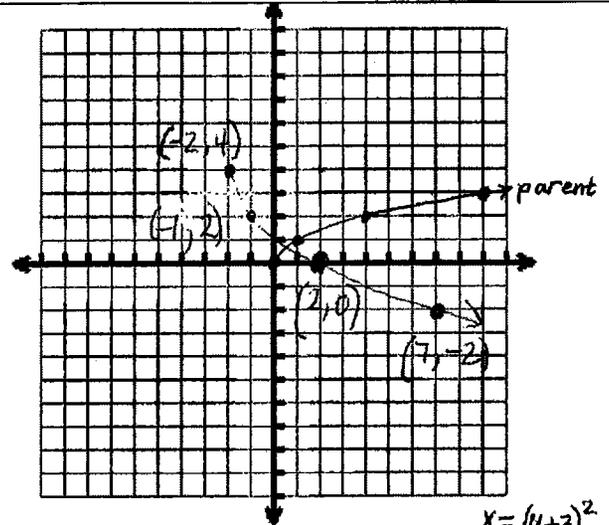


parent  
 $(0,0)$   
 $(1,1)$   
 $(4,2)$   
 $(9,3)$   
 shift all points  
 3 to left

opens down/lt stretch 2, left 2, up 4

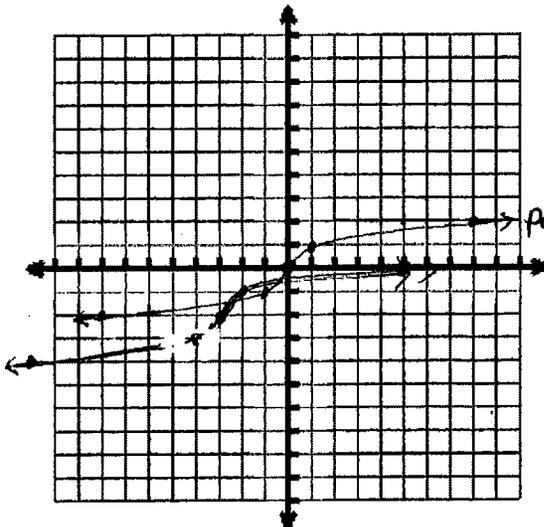
b.  $y = -2\sqrt{x+2} + 4$

Domain:  $x \geq -2$       Range:  $y \leq 4$



c.  $f(x) = \sqrt[3]{x+3} - 2$  left 3, down 2

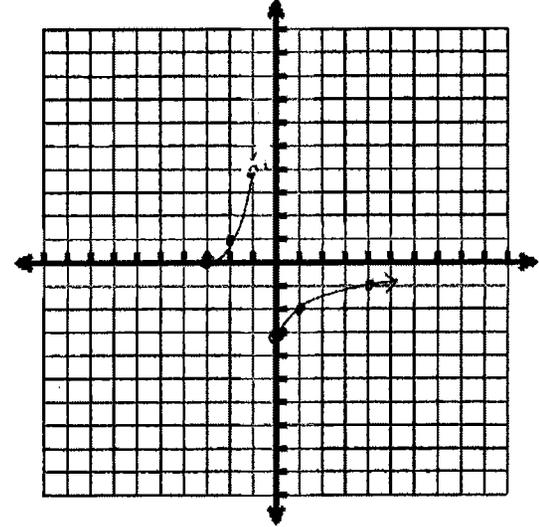
Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$       Range:  $\mathbb{R}$   
 x-intercept(s):  $(5,0)$       y-intercept(s):  $\sqrt[3]{0+3} - 2 = \sqrt[3]{3} - 2$



parent  
 $(-8,-2)$   
 $(-1,-1)$   
 $(0,0)$   
 $(1,1)$   
 $(8,2)$

d.  $g(x) = (x+3)^2$  and its inverse  $g^{-1}(x) = \sqrt{x} - 3$   
 $x = (y+3)^2$   
 $\sqrt{x} - 3 = y$

Domain:  $x \geq -3$       Range:  $y \geq 0$   
 Domain of  $g^{-1}(x)$ :  $x \geq 0$       Range of  $g^{-1}(x)$ :  $y \geq -3$



Factor first!

Multiply or Divide.

39.  $\frac{x^2 - 5x + 6}{x^2 - 4} \cdot \frac{x^2 + 3x + 2}{x^2 - 2x - 3}$

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

$$\boxed{1}$$

$x \neq 2, -2, 3, -1$

40.  $\frac{y^2 - 5y + 6}{y^3} \div \frac{y^2 + 3y - 10}{4y^2}$

multiply & flip the 2nd fraction

$$\frac{(y-2)(y-3)}{y^3} \cdot \frac{4y^2}{(y+5)(y-2)}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{4(y-3)}{y(y+5)}}$$

$y \neq 0, -5, 2$

Add or Subtract. 1) create LCD 2) add numerators & write as a single fraction.

41.  $\frac{1}{x^2 + 5x + 4} + \frac{x}{3x + 3}$

$$\left(\frac{3}{3}\right) \frac{1}{(x+4)(x+1)} + \frac{x}{3(x+1)} \left(\frac{x+4}{x+4}\right)$$

$$\frac{3 + x^2 + 4x}{3(x+4)(x+1)}$$

$$\frac{x^2 + 4x + 3}{3(x+4)(x+1)} = \frac{(x+3)(x+1)}{3(x+4)(x+1)} = \boxed{\frac{x+3}{3(x+4)}}$$

42.  $\frac{5y}{y^2 - 7y} - \frac{4}{2y - 14}$

$$\left(\frac{2}{2}\right) \frac{5y}{y(y-7)} - \frac{4}{2(y-7)} \left(\frac{y}{y}\right)$$

$$\frac{10y - 4y}{2y(y-7)}$$

$$\frac{6y}{2y(y-7)}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{3}{y-7}}$$

Simplify.

43.  $\frac{x-6}{x^2 - 7x + 6}$

$$\frac{(x-6)}{(x-6)(x-1)}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{1}{x-1}}$$

44.  $\frac{x^2 - 4}{x(x+2)}$

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

$$\boxed{\frac{x-2}{x}}$$

Solve each equation. if  $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d}$ , then cross multiply  $ad = bc$  multiply both sides by LCD.

45.  $\frac{2}{3x-5} = \frac{4}{x-5}$

$2x-10 = 12x-20$

$10 = 10x$

$x = 1$

46.  $\left[ \frac{5}{2x} - \frac{2}{3} = \frac{1}{x} + \frac{5}{6} \right] 6x$

$\frac{5(6x)}{2x} - \frac{2(6x)}{3} = \frac{1(6x)}{x} + \frac{5(6x)}{6}$

$15 - 4x = 6 + 5x$

$9 = 9x$

$1 = x$

47.  $\left[ \frac{3x-2}{9} - \frac{1}{6} = \frac{1}{3} \right] 18$

$\frac{18(3x-2)}{9} - \frac{18(1)}{6} = \frac{18(1)}{3}$

$2(3x-2) - 3 = 6$

$6x - 4 - 3 = 6$

$6x - 7 = 6$

$6x = 13$

$x = \frac{13}{6}$

Simplify

48.  $\frac{7x+3}{x^2-8x+15} + \frac{3x}{x-5} = \frac{1}{x-3}$

$\left[ \frac{7x+3}{(x-3)(x-5)} + \frac{3x}{x-5} = \frac{1}{x-3} \right] (x-3)(x-5)$

$7x+3 + 3x(x-3) = x-5$

$7x+3 + 3x^2 - 9x = x-5$

$3x^2 - 3x + 8 = 0$

use quad formula

$x = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{9 - 4(3)(8)}}{2(3)}$

no real sol

49.  $\frac{5}{x^2-9} + \frac{2}{x+3}$

$\frac{5}{(x-3)(x+3)} + \frac{2}{x+3} \left( \frac{x-3}{x-3} \right)$

$5 + 2x - 6$

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

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

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

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

careful: subtraction

Determine where points of discontinuity are (Holes and Vertical Asymptotes) if there are any. Then find the Horizontal Asymptote.

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

HOLE  $(1, \frac{2}{1+1})$   
 $\hookrightarrow (1, 1)$

VA  $x = -1$

52.  $g(x) = \frac{(x-1)(x-2)(x-3)}{(x+2)(x-3)(x+1)} = \frac{(x-1)(x-2)}{(x+2)(x+1)}$

HOLE  $(3, \frac{(2)(1)}{(5)(4)})$

Hole  $(3, \frac{1}{10})$

VA  $x = -2$   
 VA  $x = -1$

Find the horizontal and vertical asymptotes and points of discontinuity, then graph.

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

HA:  $y = 2$   
 VA:  $x = 5$   
 Holes: none

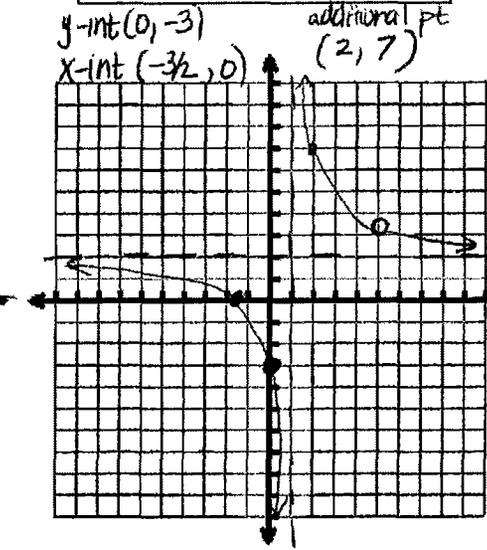
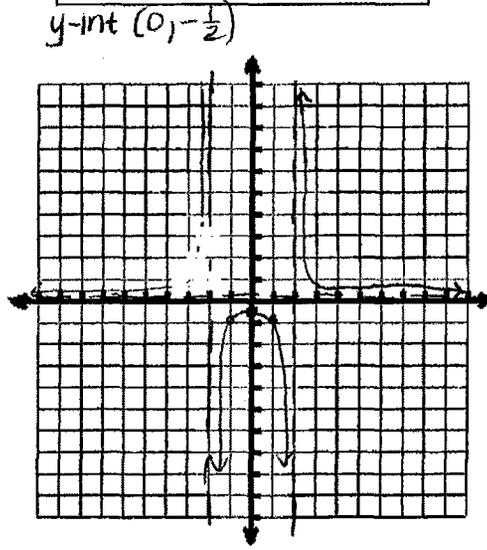
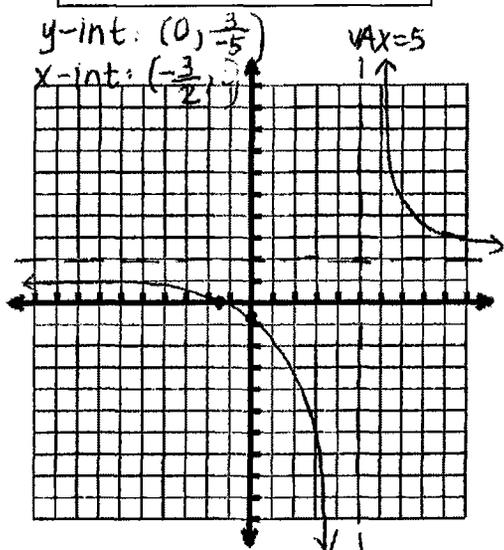
54.  $f(x) = \frac{2}{x^2-4} = \frac{2}{(x-2)(x+2)}$

HA:  $y = 0$   
 VA:  $x = 2, x = -2$   
 Holes: none

$\frac{(2x+3)(x-5)}{(x-5)(x-1)} = \frac{2x+3}{x-1}$

55.  $y = \frac{2x^2-7x-15}{x^2-6x+5}$

HA:  $y = 2$   
 VA:  $x = 1$   
 Holes:  $(5, \frac{13}{4})$



56. If Jamie can paint a house in 6 hours & Kimberlina can paint a house in 9 hours, how long will it take for them to paint it together?

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

	r	t	d
J	$\frac{1}{6}$	6	1
K	$\frac{1}{9}$	9	1
T	$\frac{1}{x}$	x	1

$(\frac{3}{3}) \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{9} (\frac{2}{2}) \frac{1}{x}$   
 $\frac{5}{18} = \frac{1}{x}$   
 $5x = 18$   
 $x = 3.6$   
 hrs

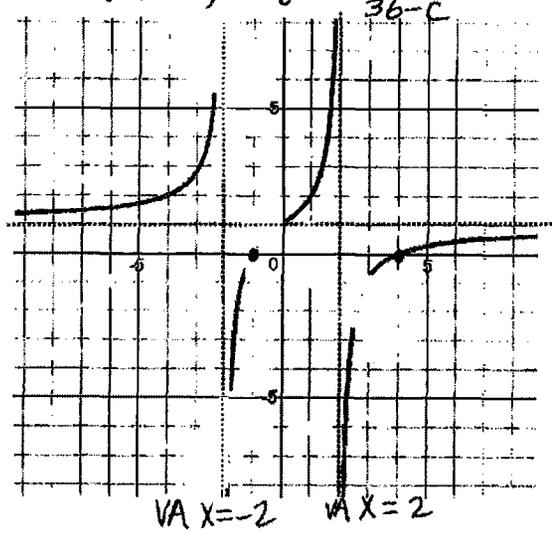
57. A boat, which moves at 36 mi/h in still water, travels 28 mi downstream in the same amount of time that it takes to travel 20 mi upstream. Find the speed of the current.

Distance = rate x time  
 $\begin{cases} 28 = 36t + ct \\ 20 = 36t - ct \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} 28 = t(36+c) \rightarrow t = \frac{28}{36+c} \\ 20 = t(36-c) \rightarrow t = \frac{20}{36-c} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \frac{28}{36+c} = \frac{20}{36-c}$

$1008 - 28c = 720 + 20c$   
 $288 = 48c$   
 $6 = c$   
 6 mi/hr

58. Find the equation of the graph.  
 x-int  $(-1, 0), (4, 0)$

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



HA  $y = 1$