3.5 Rational Functions

Defn Rational Fn $f(x) = \frac{n(x)}{d(x)}$

where $n(x)$ and $d(x)$ are polynomials

Asymptotes

① VA (vertical asymptote)

- lines $x=a$ where $d(a)=0$
- find VA by seeing restricted values in domain
- cannot touch or cross VA

② HA (horizontal asymptote)

- line $y=b$ such that $b = \lim_{x \to \pm\infty} f(x)$
- graph approaches HA as x gets huge (in either direction)
- graph can touch or cross HA when x is "small"

To graph rational fn:

① find domain

(a) find VA

(b) find HA

② Find y-intercept and x-intercept(s)

③ Plot intercept pts and at least one pt on all sides of VAs.

④ Fill in graph w/ smooth curves that approach asymptotes.

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Ex 1 Analyze and graph.

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

(b) $f(x) = \frac{10}{x^2+2}$

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(c) $g(x) = \dfrac{2x+1}{2x^2-5x-3}$

3.6 Transformations of Graphs

☆ see table page 182 in book

Transformations base graph $f(x)$

	shift	reflection	stretch/shrink
V	$h(x) = f(x) \pm c$	$g(x) = -f(x)$	$k(x) = cf(x)$ $c \in \mathbb{R}$
H	$h(x) = f(x \pm c)$	$g(x) = f(-x)$	$k(x) = f(cx)$ $c \in \mathbb{R}$

Ex 1 Describe transformation of $f(x) = -(x-2)^2 + 3$ compared to base graph of $y = x^2$.
Sketch graph of $f(x)$.

3.6 (cont)

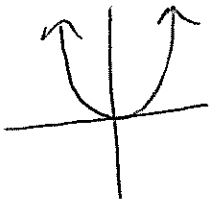
Ex 2 Describe xform and sketch graph.

(a) $g(x) = -2|x-3|+1$

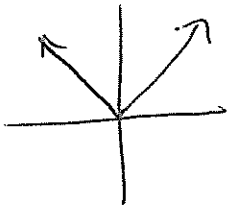
(b) $h(x) = 4(x+2)^3 - 3$

Base graphs

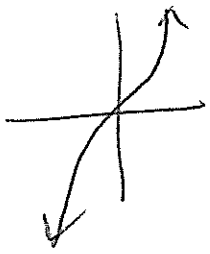
$y = x^2$



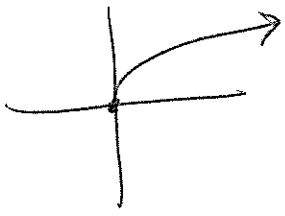
$y = |x|$



$y = x^3$



$y = \sqrt{x}$



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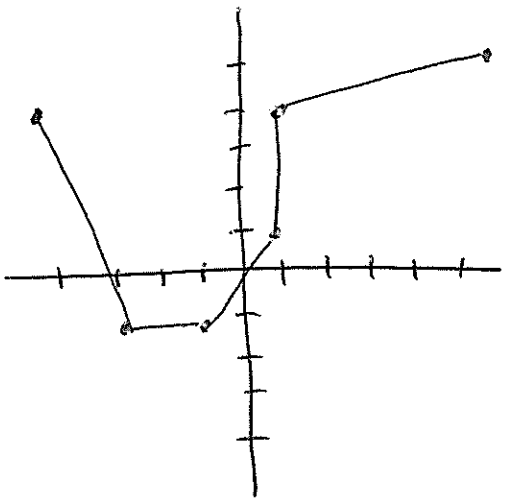
Ex 3 Given this graph, sketch the indicated transformed graph.



(a) $f(-x)+1$

(b) $f(x+1)$

(c) $-f(x)+1$

3.7 Combination of Functions & 4.1 Inverse Functions

Fns

- Addition $(f+g)(x) = f(x) + g(x)$
- Subtraction $(f-g)(x) = f(x) - g(x)$
- Multiplication $(fg)(x) = f(x)\,g(x)$
- Division $\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(x) = \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$ (as long as $g(x) \neq 0$)
- Composition $(f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x))$ Read "f of g of x"

Ex 1 Given $f(x) = 2x+5$ $g(x) = \frac{1}{x^3}$, find

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

(b) $(f+g)(1)$

(c) $(g \circ f)(1)$

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

Ex 2 Given $f(x) = x^2 - 1$ $g(x) = \frac{x}{2}$ $h(x) = \sqrt{x-1}$, find

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

(b) $(g-h)(1)$

(c) $(hf)(3)$

(d) $g(h(x))$

(e) $h(f(g(x)))$

Inverse Fns

An inverse fn basically "undoes" what the original fn did to the input x

notation: $f^{-1}(x)$ read "f inverse of x"

$$f^{-1}(f(x)) = f(f^{-1}(x)) = x$$

Ex 3 Are $f(x) = 5x - 1$ and $g(x) = \frac{x+1}{5}$ inverse fns?

Does every fn have an inverse? No!
A fn that has an inverse passes the horizontal line test (w/ its graph)

one-to-one: every input has exactly one output
And every output has exactly one input.

3.7 & 4.1 (cont)

★ Inverse fn graph is mirror image of original fn across line $y=x$

Ex 4

Does $y=x^2$ have an inverse fn? Can we restrict its domain so it does have an inverse?

Strategy to find inverse

① "Pants" Technique

Ex 5 Find inverse of $f(x)=4(x+1)^3$

② Standard Techniqu

Ex 6 Find inverse of $f(x) = \sqrt[3]{\frac{x+1}{2x+3}}$

Ex 7 Are $f(x) = 2\sqrt{x} - 1$ and $g(x) = \frac{1}{4}(x+1)^2$ inverses of each other?