

Day 3: 3.2 - Reciprocal of a Quadratic Function

EX 2 - Graphing a reciprocal of a quadratic function with one zero: $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2 - 6x + 9} = \frac{1}{(x-3)^2}$

<u>VA:</u> $x=3$ $x \rightarrow 3^+$ $y \rightarrow +\infty$ $x \rightarrow 3^-$ $y \rightarrow -\infty$	<u>HA:</u> $y=0$ $x \rightarrow \infty$ $y \rightarrow 0^+$ $x \rightarrow -\infty$ $y \rightarrow 0^+$
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x-int: set $y=0$

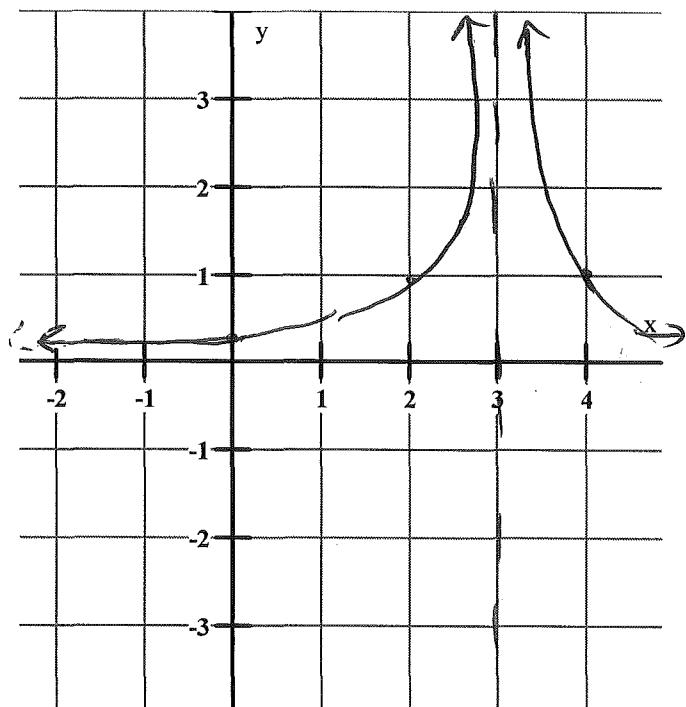
$$0 = \frac{1}{(x-3)^2}$$

NO SOLⁿ

y-int: set $x=0$

$$y = \frac{1}{(0-3)^2} = \frac{1}{9}$$

	$(-\infty, 3)$	$(3, \infty)$
$f(x)$	+	+



Domain: $x \in (-\infty, 3) \cup (3, \infty)$



Range: $y \in (0, \infty)$

EX 3 - Graphing a reciprocal of a quadratic function with no zeros: $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2 + 2}$

VA: set denominator = 0

$$x^2 + 2 = 0$$

$$x^2 = -2$$

NO SOLⁿ

HA: $y = 0$

$$x \rightarrow \infty \quad y \rightarrow 0^+$$

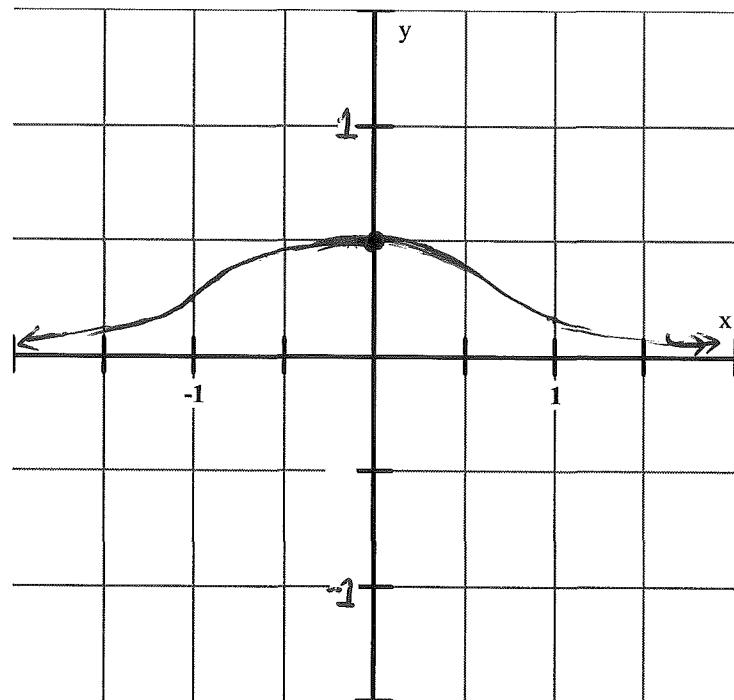
$$x \rightarrow -\infty \quad y \rightarrow 0^+$$

x-int: set $y = 0$

$$0 = \frac{1}{x^2 + 2} \quad \text{NO SOL}^n$$

y-int: set $x = 0$

$$y = \frac{1}{0^2 + 2} = \frac{1}{2}$$



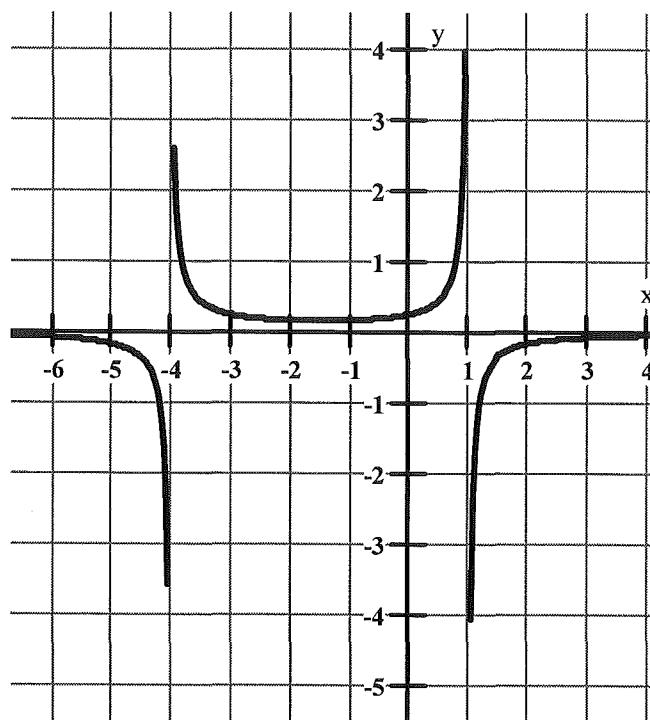
Domain: $x \in (-\infty, \infty)$ OR $\{x \in \mathbb{R}\}$

Range: $y \in (0, 0.5]$ OR $\{y \in \mathbb{R} \mid 0 < y \leq 0.5\}$

Intervals of Increase/Decrease

EX 4 - For the following function, describe the intervals where the slope is increasing and slope is decreasing. Include the sign of the slope (positive or negative).

* The intervals are based on the vertical asymptote and any local maximum/minimum



Interval	Change in Slope	Sign of Slope
$x \in (-\infty, -4)$	decreasing	-
$x \in (-4, -1.5)$	increasing	-
$x \in (-1.5, 1)$	increasing	+
$x \in (1, \infty)$	decreasing	+