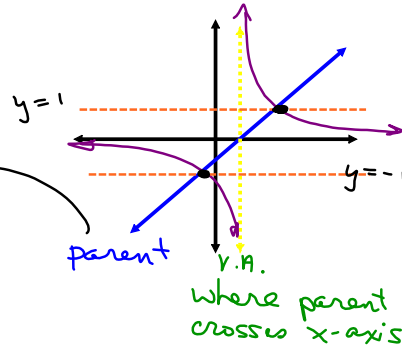


Review: Rational Functions

Day 1: Reciprocal Functions

$$y = \frac{1}{f(x)}$$



$f(x)$

reciprocal

Zeros  $\rightarrow$  V.A.

y-int(s)  $\rightarrow$   $\frac{1}{y\text{-int.}}$  ( $\frac{1}{5}$ )

domain ( $x \in \mathbb{R}$ )  $\rightarrow$   $x \neq$  V.A.

E.B.  $y \rightarrow \pm\infty$   $\rightarrow$   $y \rightarrow 0$  (from above or below)

$\rightarrow$  always gives a H.A. of  $y = 0$

\* invariant points occur @  $y = \pm 1$

Day 2 and 3: Graphing General Rational Functions

$$f(x) = \frac{P(x)}{Q(x)}$$

$P(x) = 0 \rightarrow$  zeros of the top are the zeros of  $f(x)$

$Q(x) = 0 \rightarrow$  zeros of bottom yield V.A. or "holes" of  $f(x)$

\* when factors of  $P(x)$  cancel with factors of  $Q(x)$

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

hole @  $x = 3$

behaves like  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x+3}$   
 $f(3) = \frac{1}{3+3}$

$\therefore$  hole @  $(3, \frac{1}{6})$

End Behaviour

$\rightarrow$  H.A. of  $y = 0 \dots$  if top degree  $>$  bottom degree

$\rightarrow$  H.A. of  $y = \# \dots$  if top degree = bottom degree

ex //  $y = \frac{8x-3}{2x+1} \Rightarrow$  H.A.  $y = \frac{8x}{2x}$

$y = 4$

$\rightarrow$  O.A. of  $y = g(x) \dots$  if top degree  $>$  bottom degree by 1

ex //  $R(x) = \frac{3x^2 + 2x - 1}{2x + 5}$

$\Rightarrow$  O.A. of  $y = \frac{3x^2}{2x}$

$y = \frac{3x}{2}$

\* may also have parabolic asymptotes!

ex //  $R(x) = \frac{4x^3}{2} \Rightarrow$  P.A. of  $y = 4x^2$

Day 4: Solving Rational Functions

$$\frac{x+3}{-4x} = \frac{x-1}{-4}$$

$$-4x \neq 0$$

$$\boxed{x \neq 0}$$

$$-4(x+3) = -4x(x-1)$$

$$-4x-12 = -4x^2+4x$$

$$4x^2-8x-12 = 0$$

$$4(x^2-2x-3) = 0$$

$$4(x-3)(x+1) = 0$$

$$\boxed{x = 3, -1}$$

Day 5: Solving Rational Inequalities

$$\frac{x}{6x-9} \leq \frac{1}{x}$$

$$6x-9 \neq 0$$

$$6x \neq 9$$

$$\boxed{x \neq \frac{3}{2}}$$

$$\boxed{x \neq 0}$$

$$x^2 = 6x - 9$$

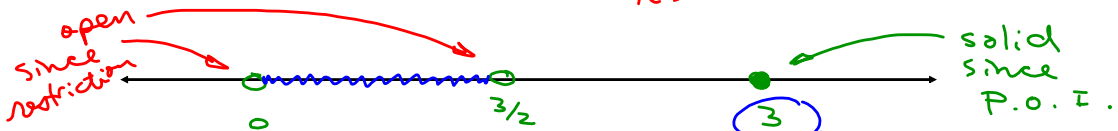
$$x^2 - 6x + 9 = 0$$

$$(x-3)(x-3) = 0$$

zeros @  $\boxed{x = 3}$

key points  
 @  $\boxed{x = 0, \frac{3}{2}, 3}$

test around these



test  $x = -1 \Rightarrow \frac{-1}{-6-9} \leq \frac{1}{-1}$  false

test  $x = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{6-9} \leq \frac{1}{1}$  true

test  $x = 2 \Rightarrow \frac{2}{6(2)-9} \leq \frac{1}{2}$  false

test  $x = 4 \Rightarrow \frac{4}{24-9} \leq \frac{1}{4}$  false

$$\frac{4}{15} \leq \frac{1}{4}$$

$\therefore$  sol<sup>n</sup> interval is  $x \in (0, \frac{3}{2}) \cup x = 3$

Day 6: AROC and IROC of RF's

$$\text{AROC} = \frac{f(x_2) - f(x_1)}{x_2 - x_1}$$

$$\text{IROC} \Rightarrow \text{DQ} = \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h}$$

for very small h

