

Lecture # 14

Warm-up: 1) Find a poly. w/ real coeffs that has zeros at $x = 1$ and $x = -i$ and satisfies $P(0) = 1$ $\leftarrow y\text{-int} = (0, 1)$

\hookrightarrow Real coeff \Rightarrow cpx roots occur as conj pairs.

$$\text{ie } a + ib = \text{root} \Rightarrow a - ib = \text{root} = \overline{a + ib}$$

$$P(x) = a \cdot (x-1)(x+i)(x-i) \quad i^2 = -1$$

$$= a(x-1)(x^2 + xi - xi - i^2)$$

$$= a(x-1)(x^2 + 1)$$

$$= a(x^3 - x^2 + x - 1)$$

$$1 = P(0) = a \cdot (-1)$$

$$\Rightarrow a = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow P(x) = -(x^3 - x^2 + x - 1)$$

2) Completely factor the polynomial

$$P(x) = x^3 - 2x^2 + 4x - 8$$

\hookrightarrow Rat'l root test tell us that only poss rat'l zeros are $\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4, \pm 8$.

$$x = 2$$

$$P(2) = 8 - 2(4) + 4(2) - 8 = 0$$

$\Rightarrow (x-2)$ is a factor

Apply Long div

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x^2 + 4 \\
 x-2 \overline{) x^3 - 2x^2 + 4x - 8} \\
 \underline{-(x^3 - 2x^2)} \\
 4x - 8 \\
 \underline{-(4x - 8)} \\
 0
 \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow P(x) = (x-2)(x^2+4)$$

$$x^2 + 4 = 0 \Rightarrow x^2 = -4 \Rightarrow x = \pm \sqrt{-4} = \pm 2i$$

$$\Rightarrow P(x) = (x-2)(x-2i)(x+2i),$$

Defn: A rat'l fun is

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

where P, Q poly. w/ no common factors

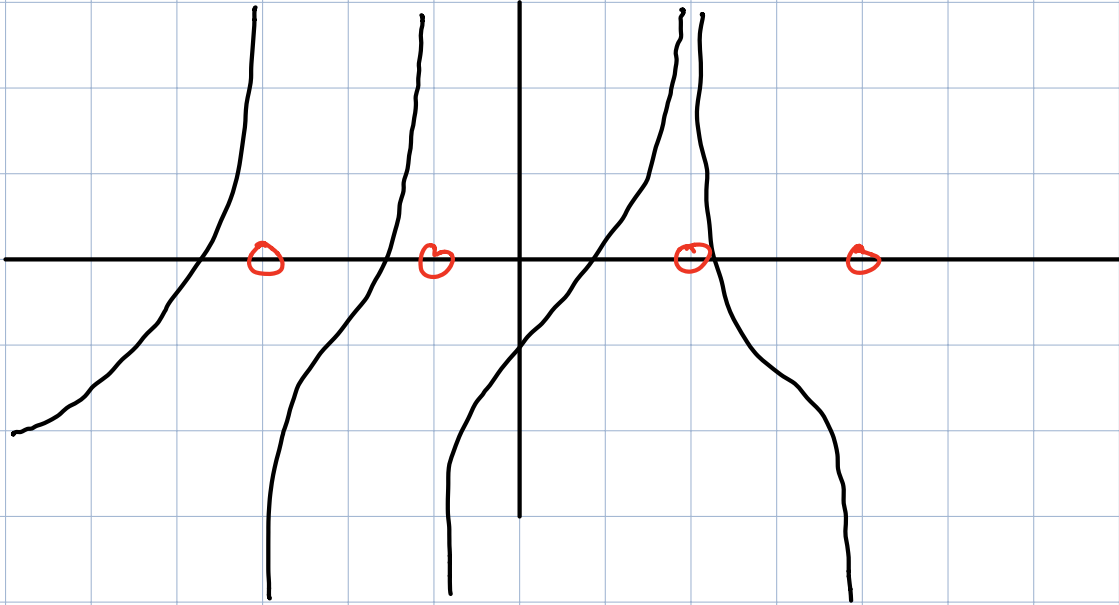
$$\hookrightarrow \text{ie, } f(x) = \frac{(x^2-1)\cancel{(x+1)}}{(x^2-3)\cancel{(x+1)}} \neq \text{rat'l fun}$$

Ex: $f(x) = 1/x$

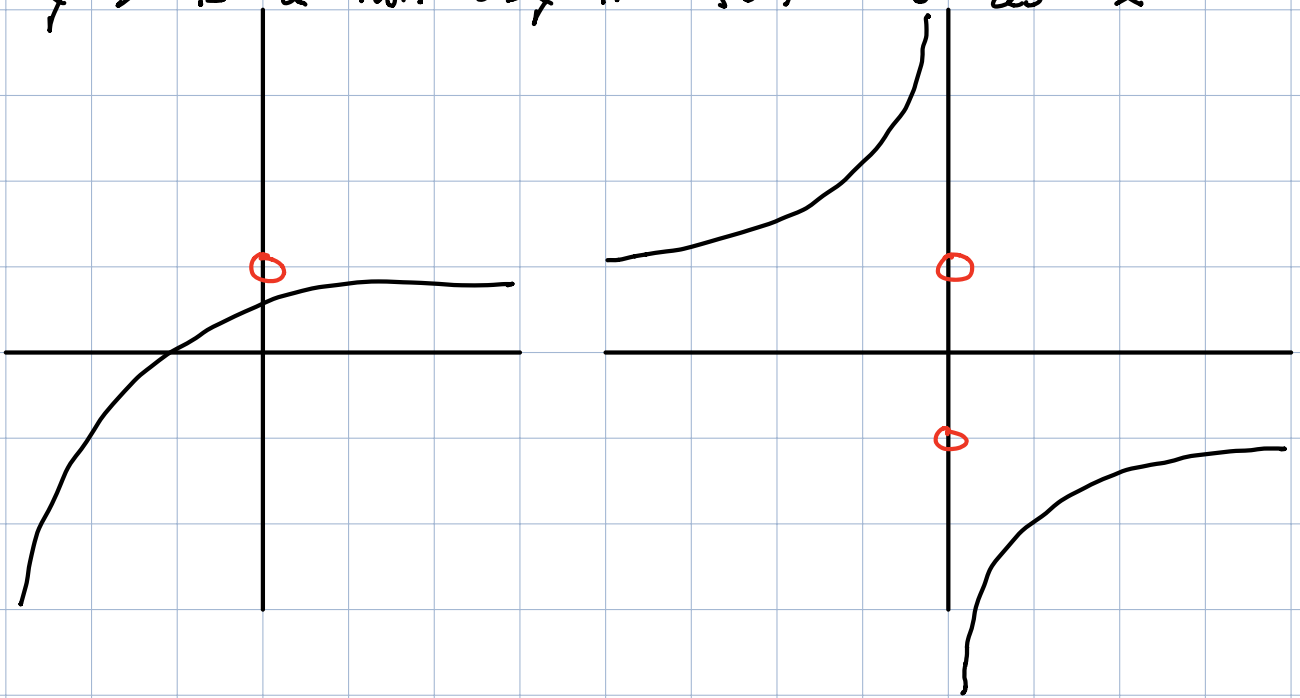


Defn:

$x = a$ is a ver. asy. of $f(x)$ if $y \rightarrow \pm \infty$ as $x \rightarrow a$ (either from left/right)



$y = b$ is a hor. asy if $f(x) \rightarrow b$ as $x \rightarrow \pm \infty$



Rmk: Ver. asy for rat'l fun occurs when denom. is equal to zero.

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

$$\frac{5x^2 - 6x + 2}{4x^2 + 2x - 1}$$

Remk: Hor asym occur when

- 1) $\deg(P) = \deg(Q) \Rightarrow y = \text{leading coef}(P) / \text{lead}(Q)$
- 2) $\deg(P) > \deg(Q) \Rightarrow \text{no hor. asy}$
- 3) $\deg(P) < \deg(Q) \Rightarrow y = 0 \text{ hor. asym.}$

Ex: $f(x) = \frac{(2x-1)(x+4)}{(x-1)(x+2)} = \frac{2x^2 + 8x - x - 4}{x^2 - x + 2x - 2}$

Dom, range, graph, asy.

$\hookrightarrow \text{Dom}(f) = \{x \mid x \neq 1 \text{ and } x \neq -2\}$

zeros of f = meets x-axis at: $x = \frac{1}{2}, x = -4$

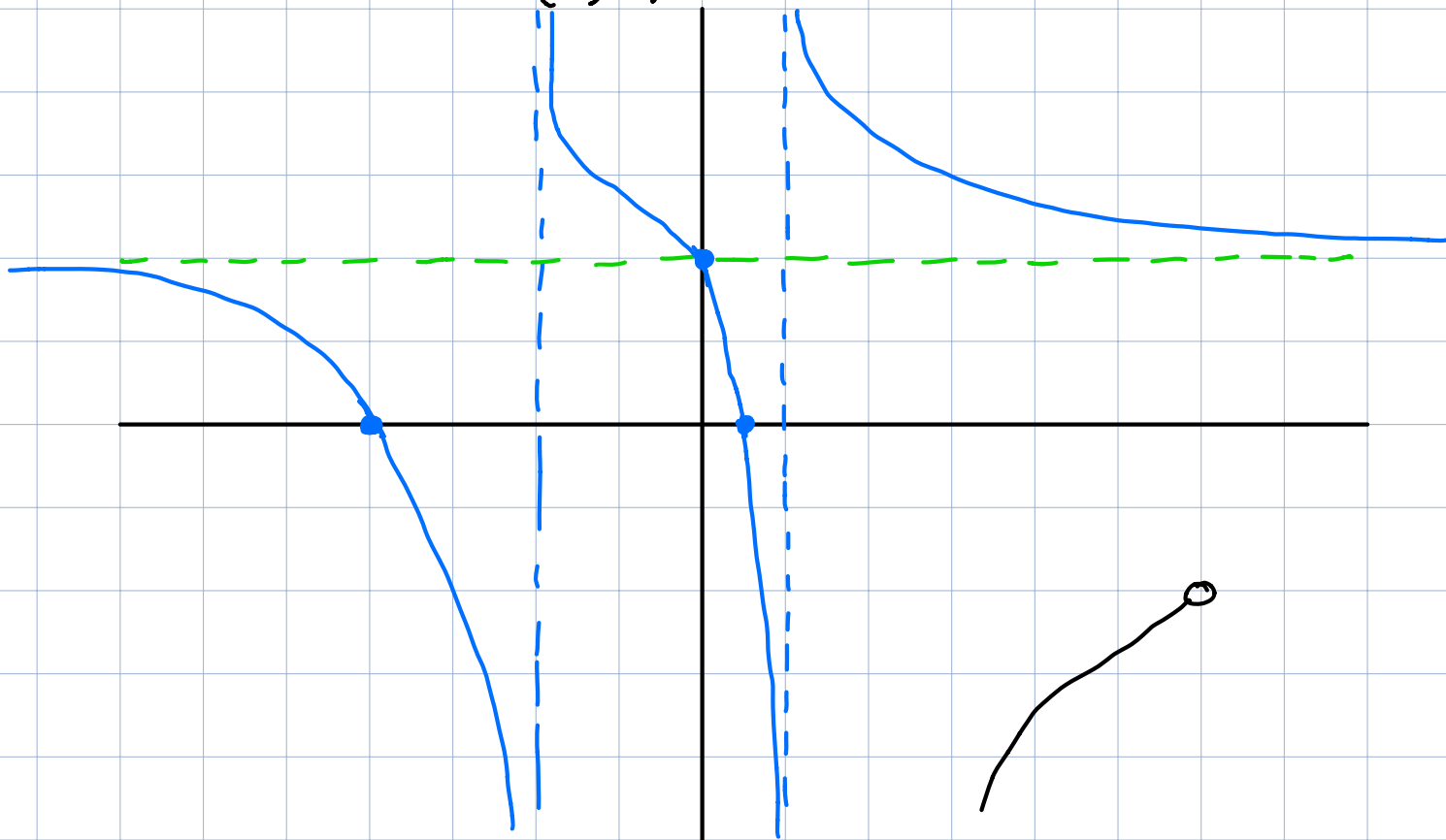
ver asymp = $x = 1, x = -2$

hor. asymp = $y = 2/1 = 2$

y-intercept = $(0, f(0))$

$\hookrightarrow f(0) = (-1)(4) / (-1)(2) = 2$

$\Rightarrow (0, 2)$



Range we look at graph (do not include hor. asym in the range)

$$\hookrightarrow \text{range}(f) = (-\infty, 2) \cup (2, +\infty).$$

Ex:

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

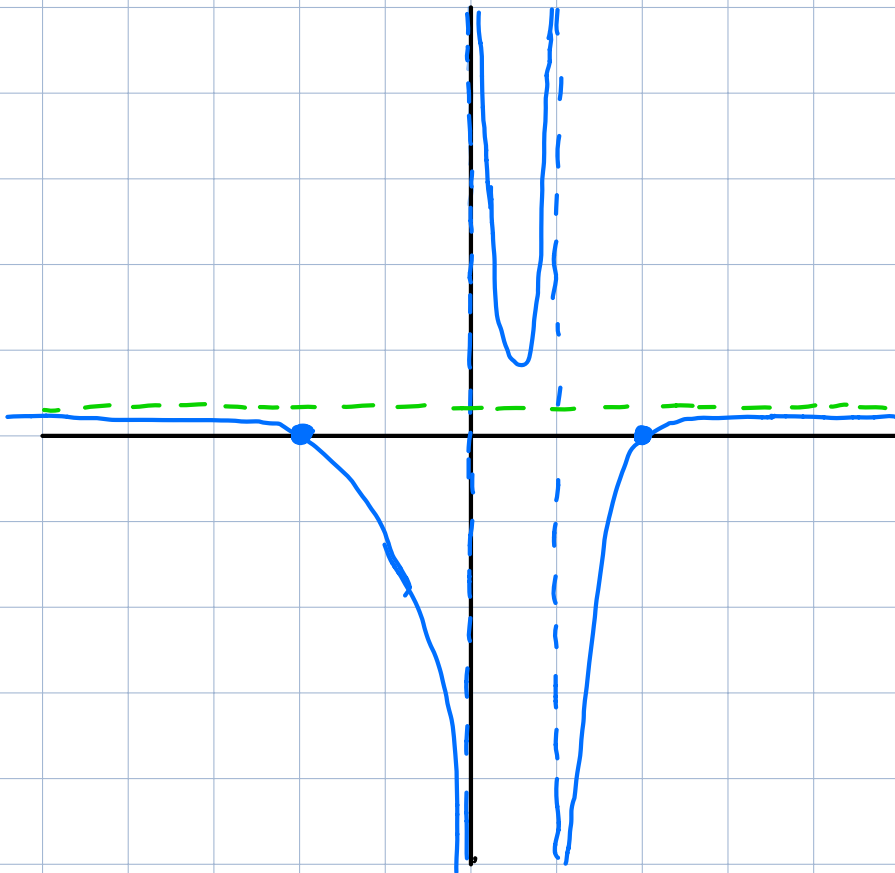
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graph.

$$\hookrightarrow \text{zeros} = \text{zeros of num} = \pm 2 = x$$

$$\text{asy ver} = \text{zeros of demon} = x=0, x=1$$

$$\text{asy hor} = y = \frac{1}{3}$$



Rmk: If

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

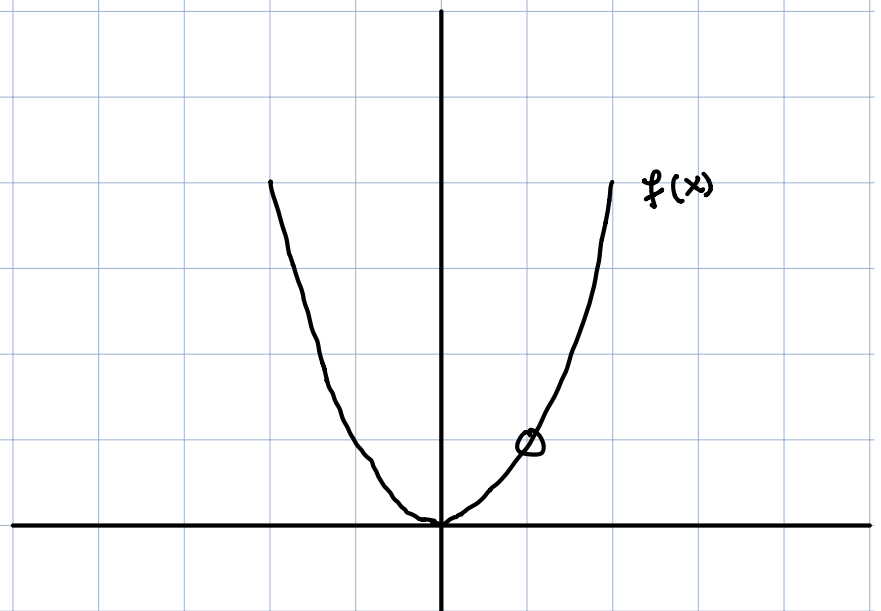
then the graph of f is the graph of P/Q but w/ a hollow dot at $(c, f(c))$

$\rightarrow x=c \Rightarrow f(x)$ is undefined

$x \neq c \Rightarrow (x-c)/(x-c) = 1 \Rightarrow$ doesn't change graph.

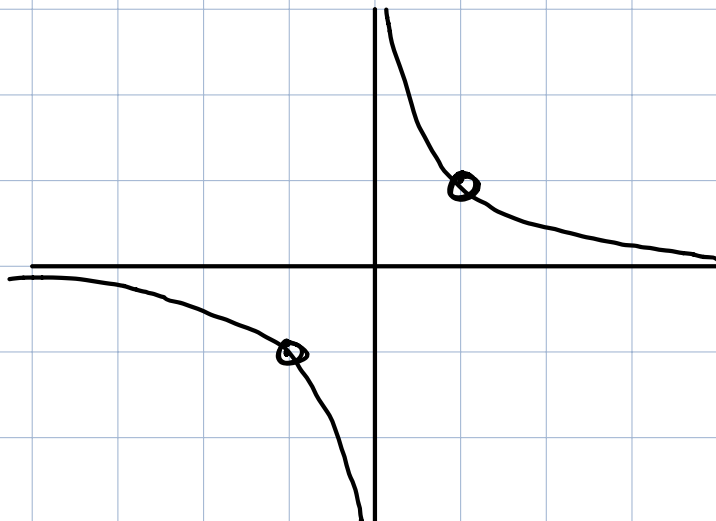
Ex:

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



Ex:

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



Rmk: $f = P/Q$ where $\deg(P) = \deg(Q) + 1$

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

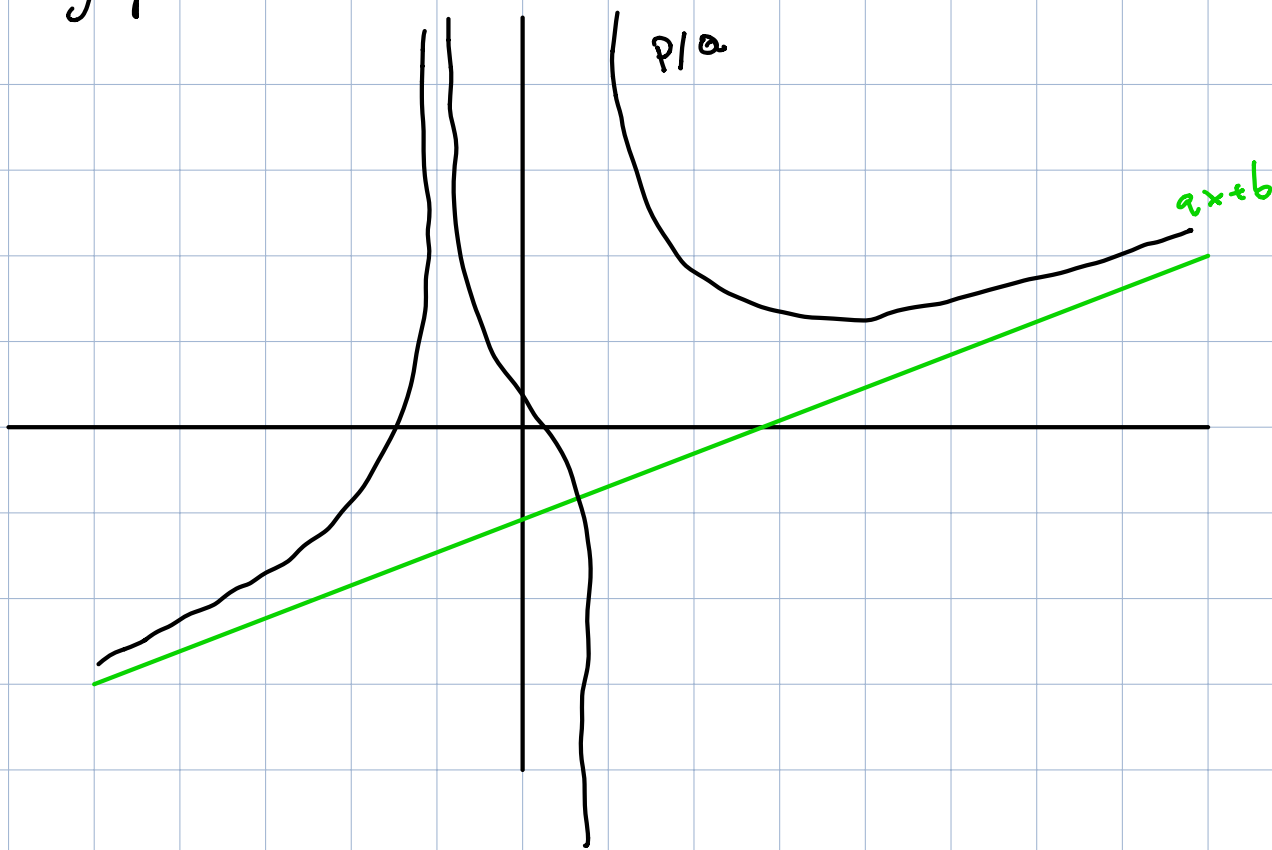
So we can apply long div. to write

$$\frac{P}{Q} = ax + b + \frac{R}{Q}$$

where $\deg(R) < \deg(Q)$

\Rightarrow (hor. asympt table) as $x \rightarrow \pm\infty$ $P/Q \rightarrow 0$

\hookrightarrow $ax + b$ is a slant asym, ie graph (P/Q) approaches graph of $ax + b$



$$\text{Ex: } f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 2x + 1}{x + 3} = \frac{(x-1)^2}{x+3}$$

1) Apply long div.

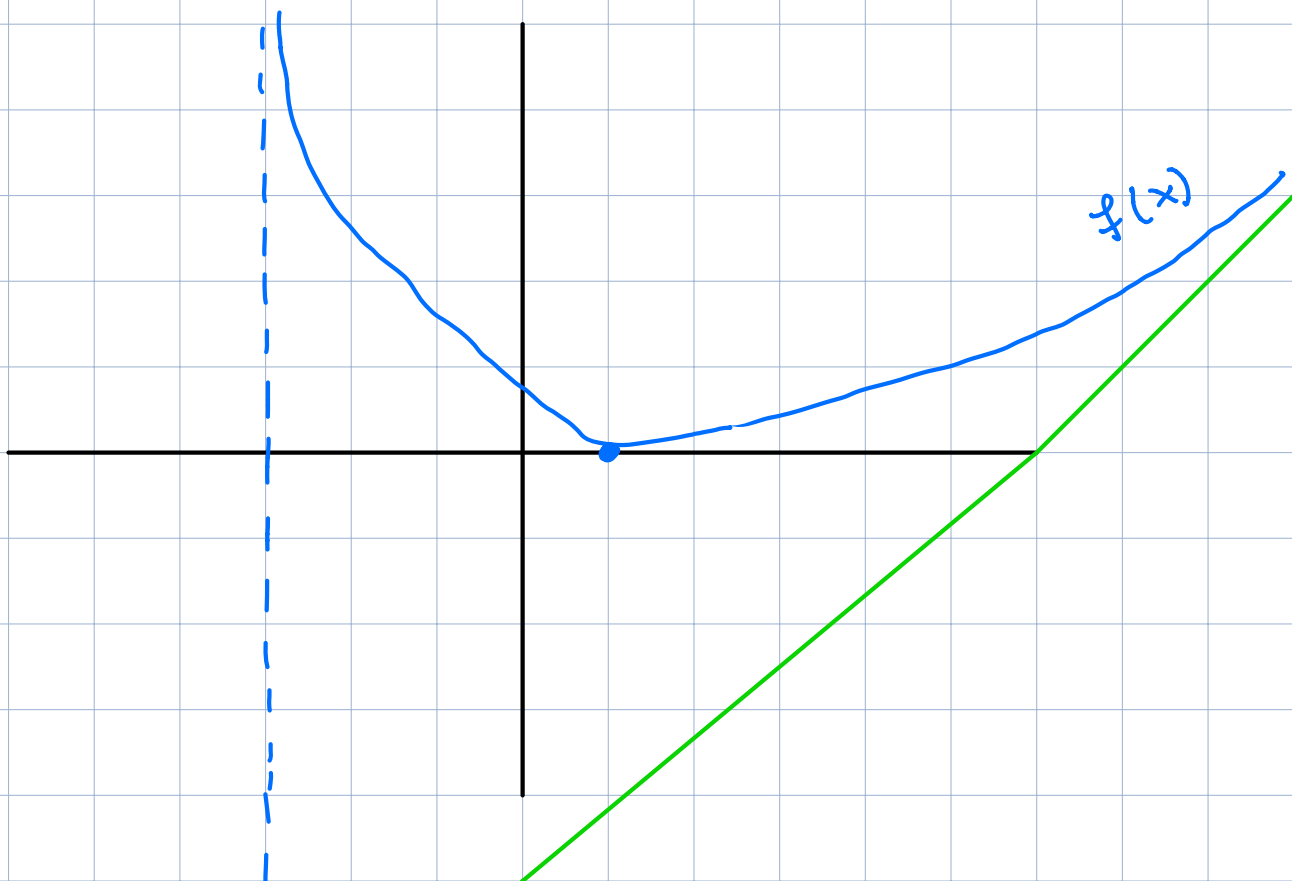
$$\begin{array}{r} x - 5 \\ x+3 \overline{) x^2 - 2x + 1} \\ \underline{-(x^2 + 3x)} \\ -5x + 1 \\ \underline{-(-5x - 15)} \\ 16 \end{array}$$

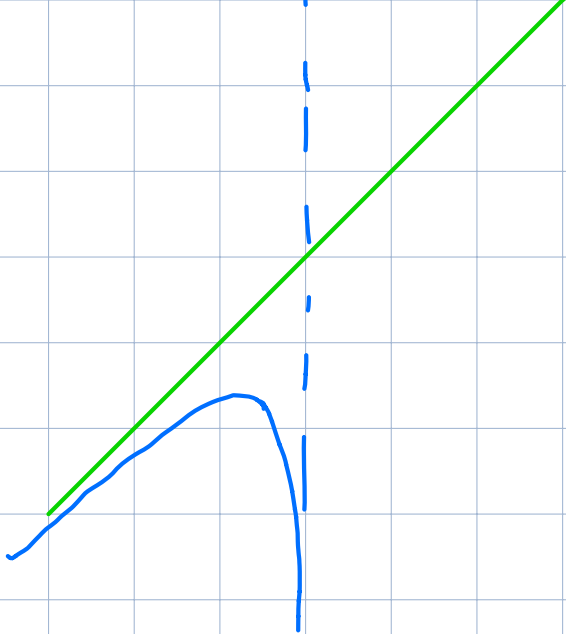
$$\Rightarrow f(x) = x - 5 + \frac{16}{x+3}$$

2) Det ver asymp, x -val where $Q(x) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \text{ver. asy} = x = -3$$

3) Find zeros of $f = x$ -int. = $x = 1$





Ex: $f(x) = \frac{(x-3)(x+4)}{x-2} = \frac{x^2 + x - 12}{x-2}$

1) Long Div!

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x+3 \\
 x-2 \overline{) x^2 + x - 12} \\
 \underline{-(x^2 - 2x)} \\
 3x - 12 \\
 \underline{-(3x - 6)} \\
 -6
 \end{array}$$

$x < 2$ by a bit
 $\Rightarrow \frac{- \cdot +}{-}$

$x > 2$ by a bit

$\frac{- \cdot +}{+}$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = x + 3 + \frac{-6}{x-2}$$

\Rightarrow Slant asym at $y = x + 3$

ver. " " $x = 2$

zeros at = $x = 3, x = -4$

