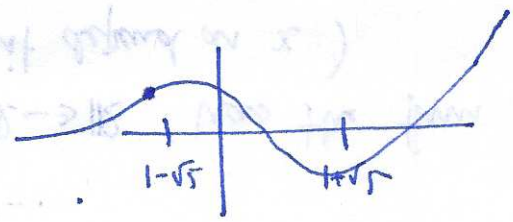


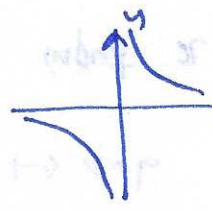
f'(x) = (4+2x-x^2)e^x

f''(x) = (6-x^2)e^x



Asymptotes

Example: f(x) = 1/x



horizontal asymptote y=0, vertical asymptote x=0

Defn x=c is a vertical asymptote if lim\_{x to c} f(x) = +/- infinity

y=c is a horizontal asymptote if lim\_{x to +/- infinity} f(x) = c

observation: rational functions P(x)/Q(x) have horizontal asymptotes if deg P <= deg Q

Example f(x) = (x^2+x+1)/(3x^2+2) ~ 1/3 as x to +/- infinity

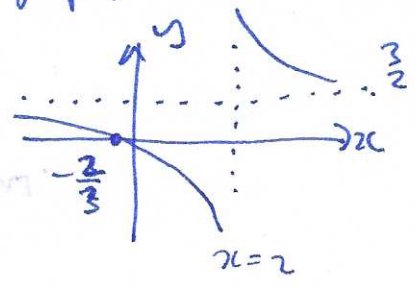
Example sketch graph of f(x) = (3x+2)/(2x-4)

1 find vertical asymptotes <-> denominator zero: 2x-4=0 -> x=2

2 find f'(x) = ((2x-4) \* 3 - (3x+2) \* 2) / (2x-4)^2 = -16 / (2x-4)^2 = -4 / (x-2)^2 <- always -ve

so f decreasing, no critical points except at vertical asymptote x=2

3 f''(x) = 8 / (x-2)^3 +ve for x > 2 concave up, -ve for x < 2 concave down



4 horizontal asymptotes lim\_{x to +/- infinity} (3x+2)/(2x-4) = lim\_{x to +/- infinity} 3/2 = 3/2

behaviour near asymptote/zeros:

Sign chart for f(x) with columns for 3x+2, 2x-4, and f(x) across intervals (-infinity, -2/3), (-2/3, 2), and (2, infinity).

Example sketch graph of  $f(x) = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2+1}} = x(x^2+1)^{-1/2}$

① vertical asymptotes : none

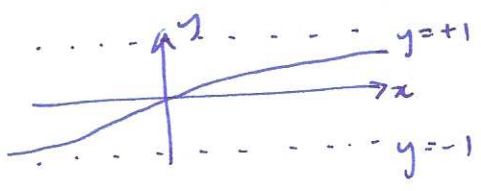
② find  $f'(x) = \frac{\sqrt{x^2+1} \cdot 1 - x \cdot \frac{1}{2}(x^2+1)^{-1/2} \cdot 2x}{x^2+1} = \frac{x^2+1-x^2}{(x^2+1)^{3/2}} = (x^2+1)^{-3/2} > 0$

⇒ f increasing, no critical points

③  $f''(x) = -\frac{3}{2}(x^2+1)^{-5/2} \cdot 2x$  inflection point at  $x=0$  +ve for  $x < 0$   
-ve for  $x > 0$

④ horizontal asymptotes  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2+1}} \stackrel{L'H}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}(x^2+1)^{-1/2} \cdot 2x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{1+1/x^2} = 1$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2+1}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-x}{\sqrt{x^2+1}} = -1$



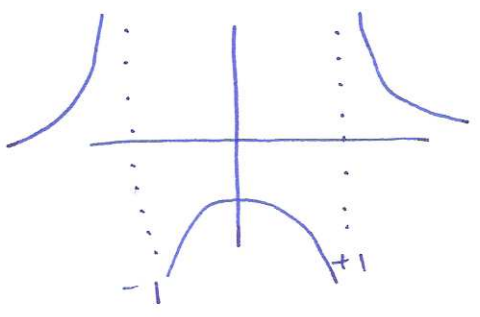
Example  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2-1} = \frac{1}{(x-1)(x+1)}$

① vertical asymptotes at  $x = \pm 1$

②  $f'(x) = -(x^2-1)^{-2} \cdot 2x$  critical points at  $x=0$

③  $f''(x) = \frac{6x^2+2}{(x^2-1)^3}$

④ etc...



### §4.7 Optimization

Example a piece of wire of length L is bent into a rectangle. what is the largest area of the rectangle?

$\square$   $y$   $x$  area  $A = xy$   $L = 2x + 2y$  }  $y = \frac{L}{2} - x$

$A = x(\frac{L}{2} - x) = \frac{L}{2}x - x^2$

$A'(x) = \frac{L}{2} - 2x$   $x = \frac{L}{4}$  (local max) so max occurs when  $x=y = \frac{L}{4}$  area is  $\frac{L^2}{16}$ .