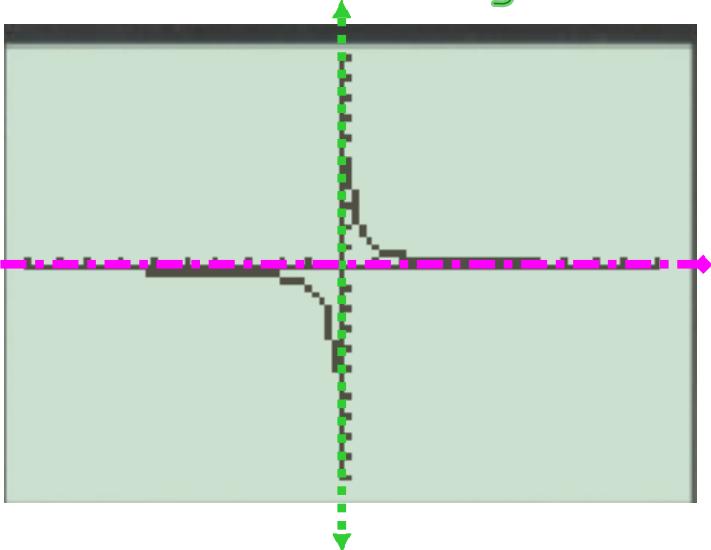
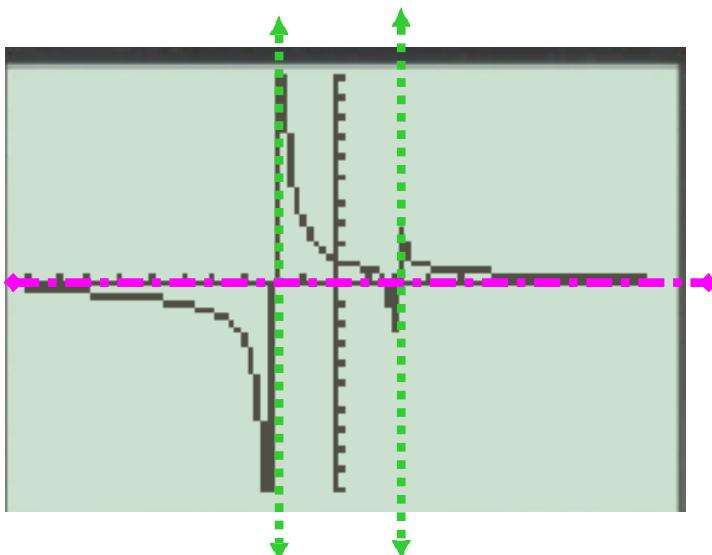


graph  
 $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$

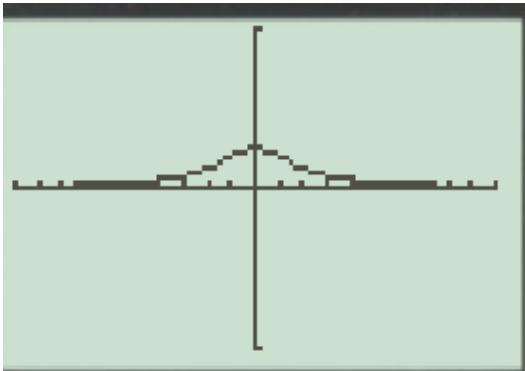
Vertical  
Asymptote



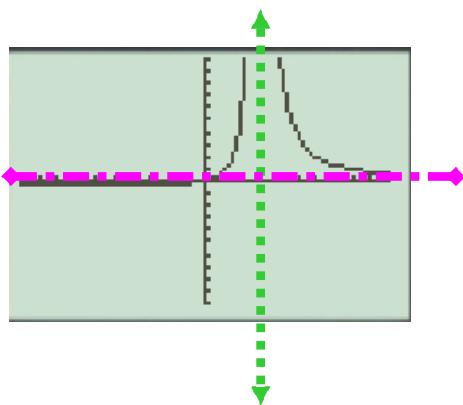
2)  $f(x) = \frac{3x - 5}{x^2 - 4}$



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



$$4) f(x) = \frac{3x}{x^2 - 6x + 9}$$



$$5) f(x) = \frac{x+2}{x^2+2x} = \frac{\cancel{(x+2)}}{x\cancel{(x+2)}} = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$x^2 + 2x \neq 0$$

$$x(x+2) \neq 0$$

$$x \neq 0 \quad x+2 \neq 0 \\ x \neq -2$$

Vertical Asymptote  $\Rightarrow x=0$

Inconsistency  $\Rightarrow x=-2$

## Vertical Asymptotes

1) Find Domain Restrictions  
 $D(x) \neq 0$

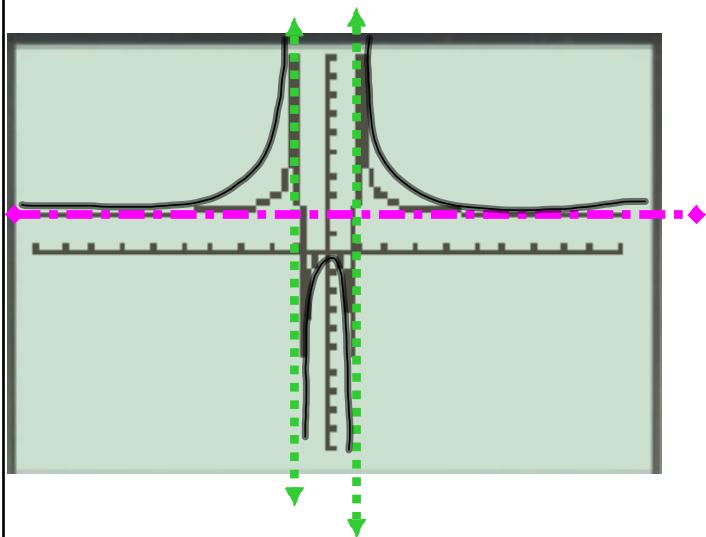
2) Look for common terms on  
 Top and Bottom.

If any cancel out those are  
 your "holes" in the graph

3) All Left over Domain Restrictions  
 are Vertical Asymptotes

graph

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



Horizontal Asymptote

- 1) Find the degree of  $N(x)$  and  $D(x)$
- 2) "n" degree of  $N(x)$  "d" degree of  $D(x)$ 
  - a)  $n > d$  (no horz. Asymptote)
  - b)  $n < d$  (horz. Asy.  $\rightarrow y = 0$ )
  - c)  $n = d$  (horz. Asy.  $\rightarrow y = \frac{\text{L.C. of } N(x)}{\text{L.C. of } D(x)}$ )

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

1) Domain =  $x \neq -2, 3$

2) Vertical Asymptotes  $\rightarrow x = 3$

3) Horizontal Asymptote  $\rightarrow y = 1$

$$f(x) = \frac{3x^3 + 7x^2 + 2}{-4x^3 + 5}$$

1) Domain  $\rightarrow x \neq \sqrt[3]{5/4}$

$$-4x^3 + 5 \neq 0$$

$$-4x^3 \neq -5$$

$$\sqrt[3]{x^3} = \sqrt[3]{5/4}$$

$$x = \sqrt[3]{5/4}$$

2) Vertical Asymptote  $\rightarrow x = \sqrt[3]{5/4}$

3) Horz. Asy.  $\rightarrow y = -\frac{3}{4}$