

101.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{p(x)}{q(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n x^n + \dots + a_1 x + a_0}{b_m x^m + \dots + b_1 x + b_0}$

Divide  $p(x)$  and  $q(x)$  by  $x^m$ .

**Case 1:** If  $n < m$ :  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{p(x)}{q(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{a_n}{x^{m-n}} + \dots + \frac{a_1}{x^{m-1}} + \frac{a_0}{x^m}}{\frac{b_m}{x^m} + \dots + \frac{b_1}{x^{m-1}} + \frac{b_0}{x^m}} = \frac{0 + \dots + 0 + 0}{b_m + \dots + 0 + 0} = \frac{0}{b_m} = 0.$

**Case 2:** If  $m = n$ :  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{p(x)}{q(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n + \dots + \frac{a_1}{x^{m-1}} + \frac{a_0}{x^m}}{b_m + \dots + \frac{b_1}{x^{m-1}} + \frac{b_0}{x^m}} = \frac{a_n + \dots + 0 + 0}{b_m + \dots + 0 + 0} = \frac{a_n}{b_m}.$

**Case 3:** If  $n > m$ :  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{p(x)}{q(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n x^{n-m} + \dots + \frac{a_1}{x^{m-1}} + \frac{a_0}{x^m}}{b_m + \dots + \frac{b_1}{x^{m-1}} + \frac{b_0}{x^m}} = \frac{\pm\infty + \dots + 0}{b_m + \dots + 0} = \pm\infty.$

102.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x^3 = \infty$ . Let  $M > 0$  be given. You need  $N > 0$  such that  $f(x) = x^3 > M$  whenever  $x > N$ .

$x^3 > M \Rightarrow x > M^{1/3}$ . Let  $N = M^{1/3}$ . For  $x > N = M^{1/3}$ ,  $x > M^{1/3} \Rightarrow x^3 > M \Rightarrow f(x) > M$ .

103. False. Let  $f(x) = \frac{2x}{\sqrt{x^2 + 2}}$ . (See Exercise 54.)

104. False. Let  $y_1 = \sqrt{x+1}$ , then  $y_1(0) = 1$ . So  $y_1' = 1/(2\sqrt{x+1})$  and  $y_1'(0) = 1/2$ . Finally,  $y_1'' = -\frac{1}{4(x+1)^{3/2}}$  and  $y_1''(0) = -\frac{1}{4}$ . Let  $p = ax^2 + bx + 1$ , then  $p(0) = 1$ . So,  $p' = 2ax + b$  and  $p'(0) = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow b = \frac{1}{2}$ . Finally,  $p'' = 2a$  and  $p''(0) = -\frac{1}{4} \Rightarrow a = -\frac{1}{8}$ . Therefore,

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} (-1/8)x^2 + (1/2)x + 1, & x < 0 \\ \sqrt{x+1}, & x \geq 0 \end{cases} \text{ and } f(0) = 1,$$

$$f'(x) = \begin{cases} (1/2) - (1/4)x, & x < 0 \\ 1/(2\sqrt{x+1}), & x > 0 \end{cases} \text{ and } f'(0) = \frac{1}{2}, \text{ and}$$

$$f''(x) = \begin{cases} (-1/4), & x < 0 \\ -1/(4(x+1)^{3/2}), & x > 0 \end{cases} \text{ and } f''(0) = -\frac{1}{4}.$$

$f''(x) < 0$  for all real  $x$ , but  $f(x)$  increases without bound.

## Section 3.6 A Summary of Curve Sketching

1.  $f$  has constant negative slope. Matches (d)

3. The slope is periodic, and zero at  $x = 0$ . Matches (a)

2. The slope of  $f$  approaches  $\infty$  as  $x \rightarrow 0^-$ , and approaches  $-\infty$  as  $x \rightarrow 0^+$ . Matches (c)

4. The slope is positive up to approximately  $x = 1.5$ . Matches (b)

5.  $y = \frac{1}{x-2} - 3$

$$y' = \frac{1}{(x-2)^2} \Rightarrow \text{undefined when } x = 2$$

$$y'' = \frac{2}{(x-2)^3} \Rightarrow \text{undefined when } x = 2$$

Intercepts:  $\left(\frac{7}{3}, 0\right)$ ,  $\left(0, -\frac{7}{2}\right)$

Vertical asymptote:  $x = 2$

Horizontal asymptote:  $y = -3$

	$y$	$y'$	$y''$	Conclusion
$-\infty < x < 2$		-	-	Decreasing, concave down
$2 < x < \infty$		-	+	Decreasing, concave up

No relative extrema, no points of inflection

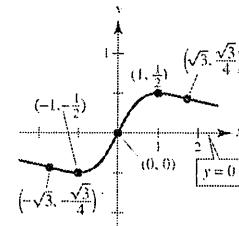
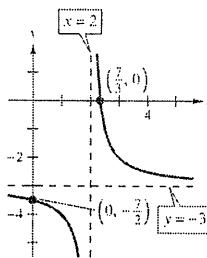
6.  $y = \frac{x}{x^2 + 1}$

$$y' = \frac{1-x^2}{(x^2+1)^2} = \frac{(1-x)(x+1)}{(x^2+1)^2} = 0 \text{ when } x = \pm 1.$$

$$y'' = -\frac{2x(3-x^2)}{(x^2+1)^3} = 0 \text{ when } x = 0, \pm\sqrt{3}.$$

Horizontal asymptote:  $y = 0$

	$y$	$y'$	$y''$	Conclusion
$-\infty < x < -\sqrt{3}$		-	-	Decreasing, concave down
$x = -\sqrt{3}$	$-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}$	-	0	Point of inflection
$-\sqrt{3} < x < -1$		-	+	Decreasing, concave up
$x = -1$	$-\frac{1}{2}$	0	+	Relative minimum
$-1 < x < 0$		+	+	Increasing, concave up
$x = 0$	0	+	0	Point of inflection
$0 < x < 1$		+	-	Increasing, concave down
$x = 1$	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	-	Relative maximum
$1 < x < \sqrt{3}$		-	-	Decreasing, concave down
$x = \sqrt{3}$	$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}$	-	0	Point of inflection
$\sqrt{3} < x < \infty$		-	+	Decreasing, concave up



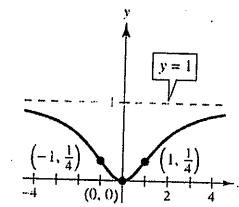
$$7. \quad y = \frac{x^2}{x^2 + 3}$$

$$y' = \frac{6x}{(x^2 + 3)^2} = 0 \text{ when } x = 0.$$

$$y'' = \frac{18(1 - x^2)}{(x^2 + 3)^3} = 0 \text{ when } x = \pm 1.$$

Horizontal asymptote:  $y = 1$

	$y$	$y'$	$y''$	Conclusion
$-\infty < x < -1$		-	-	Decreasing, concave down
$x = -1$	$\frac{1}{4}$	-	0	Point of inflection
$-1 < x < 0$		-	+	Decreasing, concave up
$x = 0$	0	0	+	Relative minimum
$0 < x < 1$		+	+	Increasing, concave up
$x = 1$	$\frac{1}{4}$	+	0	Point of inflection
$1 < x < \infty$		+	-	Increasing, concave down



$$8. \quad y = \frac{x^2 + 1}{x^2 - 4}$$

$$y' = \frac{-10x}{(x^2 - 4)^2} = 0 \text{ when } x = 0 \text{ and undefined when } x = \pm 2.$$

$$y'' = \frac{10(3x^2 + 4)}{(x^2 - 4)^3} < 0 \text{ when } x = 0.$$

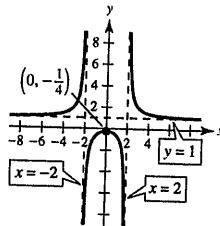
Intercept:  $(0, -1/4)$

Symmetric about  $y$ -axis

Vertical asymptotes:  $x = \pm 2$

Horizontal asymptote:  $y = 1$

	$y$	$y'$	$y''$	Conclusion
$-\infty < x < -2$		+	+	Increasing, concave up
$-2 < x < 0$		+	-	Increasing, concave down
$x = 0$	$-\frac{1}{4}$			Relative maximum
$0 < x < 2$		-	-	Decreasing, concave down
$2 < x < \infty$		-	+	Decreasing, concave up



9.  $y = \frac{3x}{x^2 - 1}$

$$y' = \frac{-3(x^2 + 1)}{(x^2 - 1)^2} \text{ undefined when } x = \pm 1$$

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

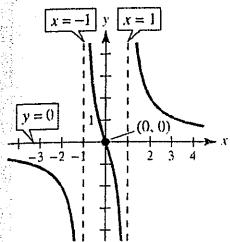
Intercept:  $(0, 0)$

Symmetry with respect to origin

Vertical asymptotes:  $x = \pm 1$

Horizontal asymptote:  $y = 0$

	$y$	$y'$	$y''$	Conclusion
$-\infty < x < -1$		-	-	Decreasing, concave down
$-1 < x < 0$		-	+	Decreasing, concave up
$x = 0$	0	-3	0	Point of inflection
$0 < x < 1$		-	-	Decreasing, concave down
$1 < x < \infty$		-	+	Decreasing, concave up



10.  $f(x) = \frac{x - 3}{x} = 1 - \frac{3}{x}$

$$f'(x) = \frac{3}{x^2} \text{ undefined when } x = 0$$

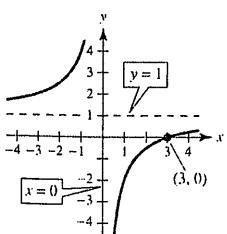
$$f''(x) = -\frac{6}{x^3} \neq 0$$

Vertical asymptote:  $x = 0$

Intercept:  $(3, 0)$

Horizontal asymptote:  $y = 1$

	$y$	$y'$	$y''$	Conclusion
$-\infty < x < 0$		+	+	Increasing, concave up
$0 < x < \infty$		+	-	Increasing, concave down



11.  $f(x) = x + \frac{32}{x^2}$

$$f'(x) = 1 - \frac{64}{x^3} = \frac{(x-4)(x^2+4x+16)}{x^3} = 0 \text{ when } x = 4 \text{ and undefined when } x = 0.$$

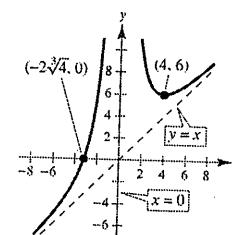
$$f''(x) = \frac{192}{x^4}$$

Intercept:  $(-2\sqrt[3]{4}, 0)$

Vertical asymptote:  $x = 0$

Slant asymptote:  $y = x$

	$y$	$y'$	$y''$	Conclusion
$-\infty < x < 0$		+	+	Increasing, concave up
$0 < x < 4$		-	+	Decreasing, concave up
$x = 4$	6	0	+	Relative minimum
$4 < x < \infty$		+	+	Increasing, concave up



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

$$f'(x) = \frac{x^2(x^2 - 27)}{(x^2 - 9)^2} = 0 \text{ when } x = 0, \pm 3\sqrt{3} \text{ and is undefined when } x = \pm 3.$$

$$f''(x) = \frac{18x(x^2 + 27)}{(x^2 - 9)^3} = 0 \text{ when } x = 0$$

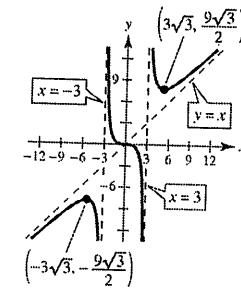
Intercept:  $(0, 0)$

Symmetry: origin

Vertical asymptotes:  $x = \pm 3$

Slant asymptote:  $y = x$

	$y$	$y'$	$y''$	Conclusion
$-\infty < x < -3\sqrt{3}$		+	-	Increasing, concave down
$x = -3\sqrt{3}$	$-\frac{9\sqrt{3}}{2}$	0	-	Relative maximum
$-3\sqrt{3} < x < -3$		-	-	Decreasing, concave down
$-3 < x < 0$		-	+	Decreasing, concave up
$x = 0$	0	0	0	Point of inflection
$0 < x < 3$		-	-	Decreasing, concave down
$3 < x < 3\sqrt{3}$		-	+	Decreasing, concave up
$x = 3\sqrt{3}$	$\frac{9\sqrt{3}}{2}$	0	+	Relative minimum
$3\sqrt{3} < x < \infty$		+	+	Increasing, concave up



13.  $y = \frac{x^2 - 6x + 12}{x - 4} = x - 2 + \frac{4}{x - 4}$

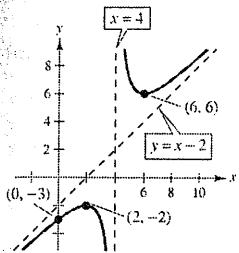
$$y' = 1 - \frac{4}{(x - 4)^2} = \frac{(x - 2)(x - 6)}{(x - 4)^2} = 0 \text{ when } x = 2, 6 \text{ and is undefined when } x = 4.$$

$$y'' = \frac{8}{(x - 4)^3}$$

Vertical asymptote:  $x = 4$

Slant asymptote:  $y = x - 2$

	$y$	$y'$	$y''$	Conclusion
$-\infty < x < 2$		+	-	Increasing, concave down
$x = 2$	-2	0	-	Relative maximum
$2 < x < 4$		-	-	Decreasing, concave down
$4 < x < 6$		-	+	Decreasing, concave up
$x = 6$	6	0	+	Relative minimum
$6 < x < \infty$		+	+	Increasing, concave up



14.  $y = \frac{-x^2 - 4x - 7}{x + 3} = -x - 1 - \frac{4}{x + 3}$

$$y' = -\frac{x^2 + 6x + 5}{(x + 3)^2} = -\frac{(x + 1)(x + 5)}{(x + 3)^2} = 0 \text{ when } x = -1, -5 \text{ and is undefined when } x = -3.$$

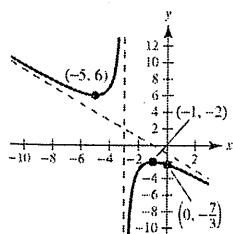
$$y'' = \frac{-8}{(x + 3)^3}$$

Intercept:  $(0, -\frac{7}{3})$

No symmetry

Vertical asymptote:  $x = -3$

Slant asymptote:  $y = -x - 1$



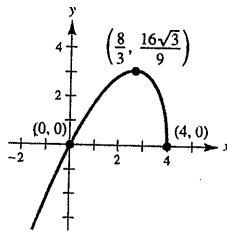
	$y$	$y'$	$y''$	Conclusion
$-\infty < x < -5$		-	+	Decreasing, concave up
$x = -5$	6	0	+	Relative minimum
$-5 < x < -3$		+	+	Increasing, concave up
$-3 < x < -1$		+	-	Increasing, concave down
$x = -1$	-2	0	-	Relative maximum
$-1 < x < \infty$		-	-	Decreasing, concave down

15.  $y = x\sqrt{4-x}$ , Domain:  $(-\infty, 4]$

$$y' = \frac{8-3x}{2\sqrt{4-x}} = 0 \text{ when } x = \frac{8}{3} \text{ and undefined when } x = 4.$$

$$y'' = \frac{3x-16}{4(4-x)^{3/2}} = 0 \text{ when } x = \frac{16}{3} \text{ and undefined when } x = 4.$$

Note:  $x = \frac{16}{3}$  is not in the domain.



	$y$	$y'$	$y''$	Conclusion
$-\infty < x < \frac{8}{3}$		+	-	Increasing, concave down
$x = \frac{8}{3}$	$\frac{16}{3\sqrt{3}}$	0	-	Relative maximum
$\frac{8}{3} < x < 4$		-	-	Decreasing, concave down
$x = 4$	0	Undefined	Undefined	Endpoint

16.  $h(x) = x\sqrt{9-x^2}$ , Domain:  $-3 \leq x \leq 3$

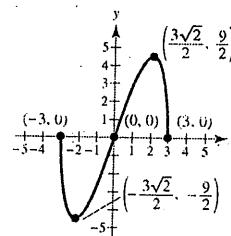
$$h'(x) = \frac{9-2x^2}{\sqrt{9-x^2}} = 0 \text{ when } x = \pm \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}} = \pm \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2} \text{ and undefined when } x = \pm 3.$$

$$h''(x) = \frac{x(2x^2 - 27)}{(9-x^2)^{3/2}} = 0 \text{ when } x = 0 \text{ and undefined when } x = \pm 3.$$

Intercepts:  $(0, 0)$ ,  $(\pm 3, 0)$

Symmetric with respect to the origin

	$y$	$y'$	$y''$	Conclusion
$x = -3$	0	Undefined	Undefined	Endpoint
$-3 < x < -\frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}$		-	+	Decreasing, concave up
$x = -\frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}$	$-\frac{9}{2}$	0	+	Relative minimum
$-\frac{3}{\sqrt{2}} < x < 0$		+	+	Increasing, concave up
$x = 0$	0	3	0	Point of inflection
$0 < x < \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}$		+	-	Increasing, concave down
$x = \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}$	$\frac{9}{2}$	0	-	Relative maximum
$\frac{3}{\sqrt{2}} < x < 3$		-	-	Decreasing, concave down
$x = 3$	0	Undefined	Undefined	Endpoint



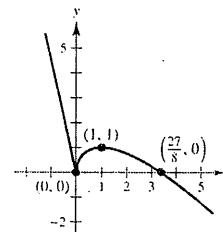
17.  $y = 3x^{2/3} - 2x$

$$y' = 2x^{-1/3} - 2 = \frac{2(1 - x^{1/3})}{x^{1/3}}$$

$= 0$  when  $x = 1$  and undefined when  $x = 0$ .

$$y'' = \frac{-2}{3x^{4/3}} < 0 \text{ when } x \neq 0.$$

	$y$	$y'$	$y''$	Conclusion
$-\infty < x < 0$		-	-	Decreasing, concave down
$x = 0$	0	Undefined	Undefined	Relative minimum
$0 < x < 1$		+	-	Increasing, concave down
$x = 1$	1	0	-	Relative maximum
$1 < x < \infty$		-	-	Decreasing, concave down



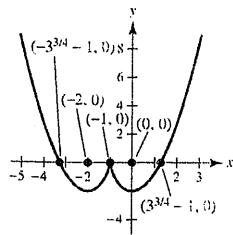
18.  $y = (x + 1)^2 - 3(x + 1)^{2/3}$

$$y' = 2(x + 1) - 2(x + 1)^{-1/3} = \frac{2(x + 1)^{4/3} - 2}{(x + 1)^{1/3}} = 0 \text{ when } x = 0, -2 \text{ and undefined when } x = -1.$$

$$y'' = 2 + \frac{2}{3}(x + 1)^{-4/3} = \frac{6(x + 1)^{4/3} + 2}{3(x + 1)^{4/3}}$$

Intercepts:  $(-1, 0), (\pm 3^{3/4} - 1, 0)$

	$y$	$y'$	$y''$	Conclusion
$-\infty < x < -2$		-	+	Decreasing, concave up
$x = -2$	-2	0	+	Relative minimum
$-2 < x < -1$		+	+	Increasing, concave up
$x = -1$	0	Undefined	+	Relative maximum
$-1 < x < 0$		-	+	Decreasing, concave up
$x = 0$	0	0	+	Relative minimum
$0 < x < \infty$		+	+	Increasing, concave up



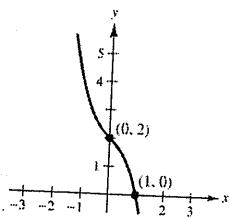
19.  $y = 2 - x - x^3$

$y' = -1 - 3x^2$

No critical numbers

$y'' = -6x = 0$  when  $x = 0$ .

	$y$	$y'$	$y''$	Conclusion
$-\infty < x < 0$		-	+	Decreasing, concave up
$x = 0$	2	-	0	Point of inflection
$0 < x < \infty$		-	-	Decreasing, concave down

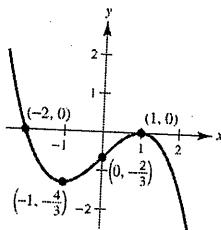


20.  $y = -\frac{1}{3}(x^3 - 3x + 2)$

$y' = -x^2 + 1 = 0$  when  $x = \pm 1$ .

$y'' = -2x = 0$  when  $x = 0$ .

	$y$	$y'$	$y''$	Conclusion
$-\infty < x < -1$		-	+	Decreasing, concave up
$x = -1$	$-\frac{4}{3}$	0	+	Relative minimum
$-1 < x < 0$		+	+	Increasing, concave up
$x = 0$	$-\frac{2}{3}$	+	0	Point of inflection
$0 < x < 1$		+	-	Increasing, concave down
$x = 1$	0	0	-	Relative maximum
$1 < x < \infty$		-	-	Decreasing, concave down

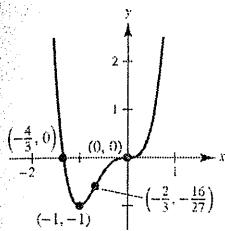


21.  $y = 3x^4 + 4x^3$

$$y' = 12x^3 + 12x^2 = 12x^2(x + 1) = 0 \text{ when } x = 0, x = -1.$$

$$y'' = 36x^2 + 24x = 12x(3x + 2) = 0 \text{ when } x = 0, x = -\frac{2}{3}.$$

	$y$	$y'$	$y''$	Conclusion
$-\infty < x < -1$		-	+	Decreasing, concave up
$x = -1$	-1	0	+	Relative minimum
$-1 < x < -\frac{2}{3}$		+	+	Increasing, concave up
$x = -\frac{2}{3}$	$-\frac{16}{27}$	+	0	Point of inflection
$-\frac{2}{3} < x < 0$		+	-	Increasing, concave down
$x = 0$	0	0	0	Point of inflection
$0 < x < \infty$		+	+	Increasing, concave up



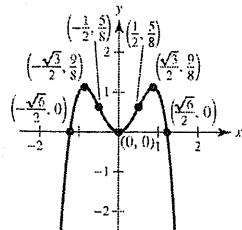
22.  $y = -2x^4 + 3x^2$

$$y' = -8x^3 + 6x = 0 \text{ when } x = 0, \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}.$$

$$y'' = -24x^2 + 6 = 0 \text{ when } x = \pm \frac{1}{2}.$$

Symmetry:  $y$ -axis

Intercepts:  $\left(\pm \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2}, 0\right)$



	$y$	$y'$	$y''$	Conclusion
$-\infty < x < -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$		+	-	Increasing, concave down
$x = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$	$\frac{9}{8}$	0	-	Relative maximum
$-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} < x < -\frac{1}{2}$		-	-	Decreasing, concave down
$x = -\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{5}{8}$	-2	0	Point of inflection
$-\frac{1}{2} < x < 0$		-	+	Decreasing, concave up
$x = 0$	0	0	+	Relative minimum
$0 < x < \frac{1}{2}$		+	+	Increasing, concave up
$x = \frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{5}{8}$	2	0	Point of inflection
$\frac{1}{2} < x < \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$		+	-	Increasing, concave down
$x = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$	$\frac{9}{8}$	0	-	Relative maximum
$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} < x < \infty$		-	-	Decreasing, concave down