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Practice

Form G

Rational Functions and Their Graphs

Find the domain, points of discontinuity, and x - and y -intercepts of each rational function. Determine whether the discontinuities are removable or nonremovable.

1. $y = \frac{(x-4)(x+3)}{x+3}$

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

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

4. $y = \frac{4x}{x^2+16}$

Find the vertical asymptotes and holes for the graph of each rational function.

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

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

7. $y = \frac{x}{x(x-1)}$

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

9. $y = \frac{x-2}{(x+2)(x-2)}$

10. $y = \frac{x^2-4}{x^2+4}$

11. $y = \frac{x^2-25}{x-4}$

12. $y = \frac{(x-2)(2x+3)}{(5x+4)(x-3)}$

Find the horizontal asymptote of the graph of each rational function.

13. $y = \frac{2}{x-6}$

14. $y = \frac{x+2}{x-4}$

15. $y = \frac{2x^2+3}{x^2-6}$

16. $y = \frac{3x-12}{x^2-2}$

Sketch the graph of each rational function.

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

18. $y = \frac{3}{(x-2)(x+2)}$

19. $y = \frac{x}{x^2+4}$

20. $y = \frac{x+2}{x-1}$

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Practice (continued)

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21. How many milliliters of 0.75% sugar solution must be added to 100 mL of 1.5% sugar solution to form a 1.25% sugar solution?
22. A soccer player has made 3 of his last 24 shots on goal, or 12.5%. How many more consecutive goals does he need to raise his shots-on-goal average to at least 20%?
23. **Error Analysis** A student listed the asymptotes of the function $y = \frac{x^2 + 5x + 6}{x(x^2 + 4x + 4)}$ as shown at the right. Explain the student's error(s). What are the correct asymptotes?

horizontal asymptote
none

vertical asymptote
 $x = 0$

Sketch the graph of each rational function.

24. $y = \frac{x}{x(x-6)}$

25. $y = \frac{2x}{x-6}$

26. $y = \frac{x^2 - 1}{x^2 - 4}$

27. $y = \frac{2x^2 + 10x + 12}{x^2 - 9}$

28. You start a business word-processing papers for other students. You spend \$3500 on a computer system and office furniture. You figure additional costs at \$.02 per page.
- Write a rational function modeling the total average cost per page. Graph the function.
 - What is the total average cost per page if you type 1000 pages? If you type 2000?
 - How many pages must you type to bring your total average cost to less than \$1.50 per page?
 - What are the vertical and horizontal asymptotes of the graph of the function?