

**Pause the video and try this Warm-up**

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**Warm-up**

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$$= \frac{2t}{(t - 1)(t + 1)} - \frac{t + 2}{(t + 4)(t - 1)}$$

**restrictions**

$$t \neq 1, -1, -4$$

$$= \frac{(t + 4)2t}{(t - 1)(t + 1)(t + 4)} - \frac{(t + 1)(t + 2)}{(t + 1)(t - 1)(t + 4)}$$

$$= \frac{2t^2 + 8t - t^2 - 2t - t - 2}{(t - 1)(t + 1)(t + 4)}$$

$$= \frac{t^2 + 5t - 2}{(t - 1)(t + 1)(t + 4)}$$

# Graphs of Rational Functions

## Learning Goals:

- simplify rational functions
- determine position of asymptotes and holes

Please print the handout if possible

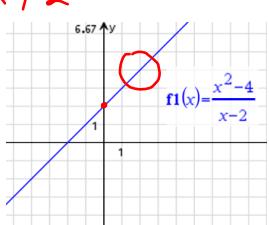
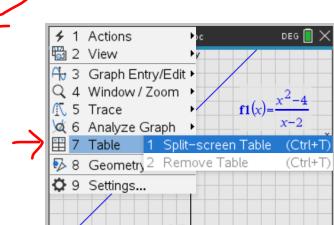
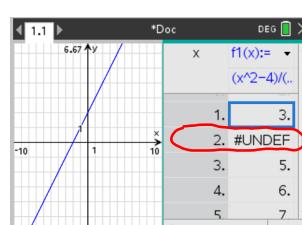
You will need your **TI-Nspire** for this activity  
(**Desmos** will also work)

Turn on the Video

I am going to show you the first one.

For each of the following:

1. Simplify the function.
2. Graph the **Original Function** using Nspire.
3. Sketch the graph.
4. Look at the Table of Values and complete the fourth column
5. Adjust your graph as necessary and answer the question in the fifth column.

Original Function	Simplified Function	Sketch the Graph	Table of Values	How does this point show up on the graph?
$f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 4}{x - 2}$ $x \neq 2$	$\frac{(x+2)(x-2)}{x-2}$ $= x+2$		(2, _____) <i>und</i>	<i>no x-intercept here</i>
				
				
				

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$g(x) = \frac{2x^2 - x - 1}{x - 1}$			(1, _____)	
$h(x) = \frac{1}{x - 3}$			(3, _____)	
$i(x) = \frac{2x + 1}{x - 2}$			(2, _____)	

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Original Function	Simplified Function	Sketch the Graph	Table of Values	How does this point show up on the graph?
$j(x) = \frac{2x+1}{(x+1)(x-2)}$			(-1, _____) (2, _____)	
$k(x) = \frac{2x+4}{(x+2)(x+5)}$			(2, _____) (-5, _____)	
$l(x) = \frac{1}{x} + 2$			(0, _____)	
$m(x) = \frac{x^3+3}{x^2+2}$			(-2, _____) (0, _____) (3, _____)	

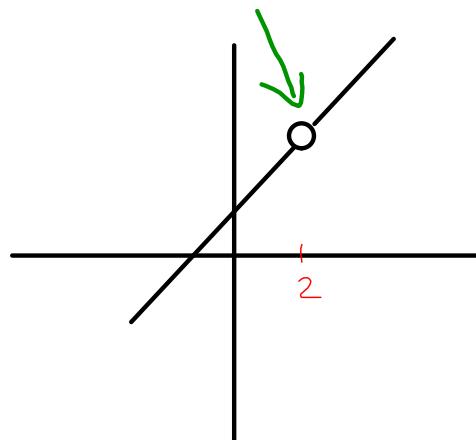
**Summary:**

There is a \_\_\_\_\_ from a factor that is both in the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

There is a \_\_\_\_\_ from a factor that is still in the \_\_\_\_\_ after \_\_\_\_\_

## Using your TI-Nspire graph

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x) &= \frac{x^2-4}{x-2} \\
 &= \frac{(x+2)(x-2)}{(x-2)}
 \end{aligned}$$



What do you observe?

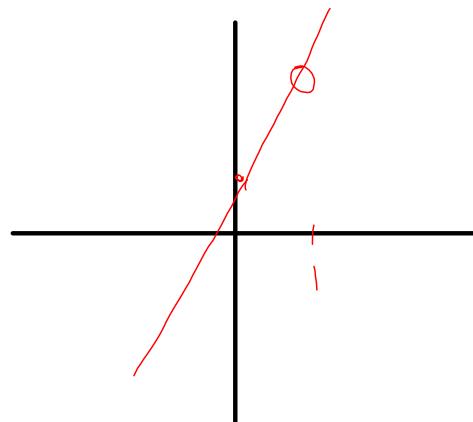
straight line  
restrictions  $x \neq 2 \Rightarrow$  hole

## Using your TI-Nspire graph

$$g(x) = \frac{2x^2 - x - 1}{x - 1} \quad \leftarrow x \neq 1$$

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

What do you observe?



straight line

but there is a HOLE

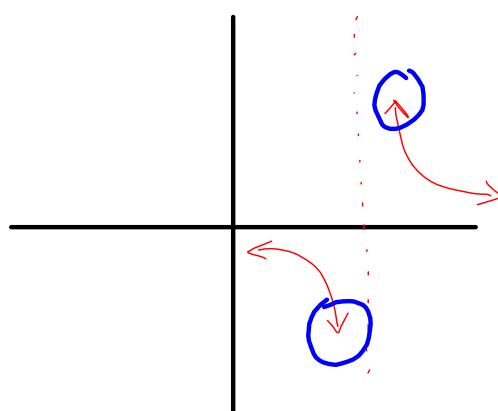
at  $x = 1$

## Using your TI-Nspire graph

$$h(x) = \frac{1}{x-3}$$

$$x \neq 3$$

What do you observe?



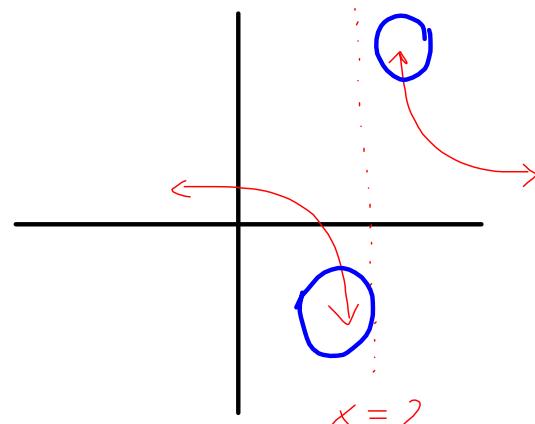
No hole

There is an asymptote

## Using your TI-Nspire graph

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

$$x \neq 2$$

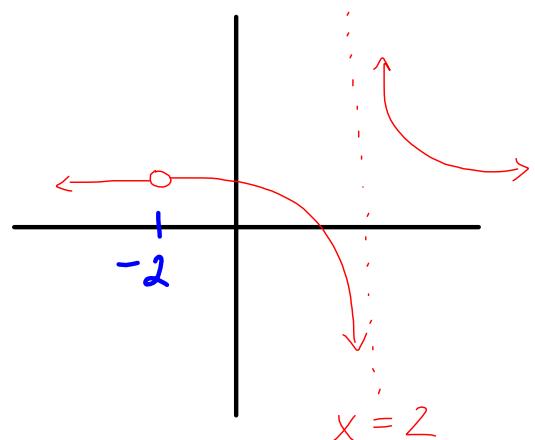


What do you observe?

## Using your TI-Nspire graph

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

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



$$x \neq 2, -2$$

What do you observe?

$x = 2$  asymptote

$x = -2$  hole

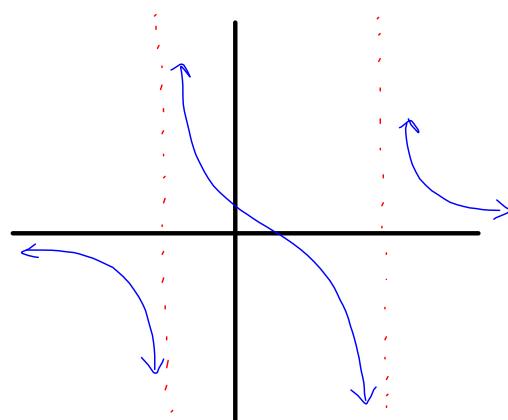
## Using your TI-Nspire graph

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

$$x \neq -1, 2$$

What do you observe?

2 asymptotes



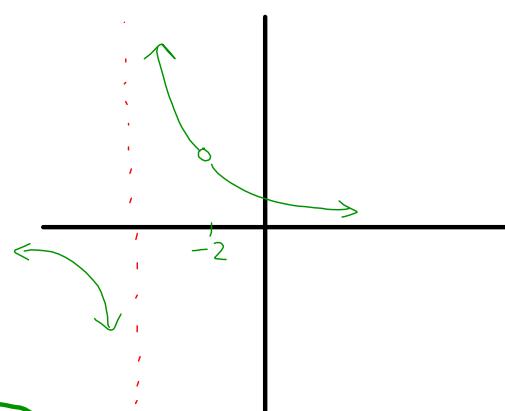
## Using your TI-Nspire graph

$$k(x) = \frac{2x+4}{(x+2)(x+5)}$$

$$= \frac{2(x+2)}{(x+2)(x+5)}$$

$$\text{Circles around } x \neq -2 \text{ and } -5$$

What do you observe?



Hole at  $x = -2$

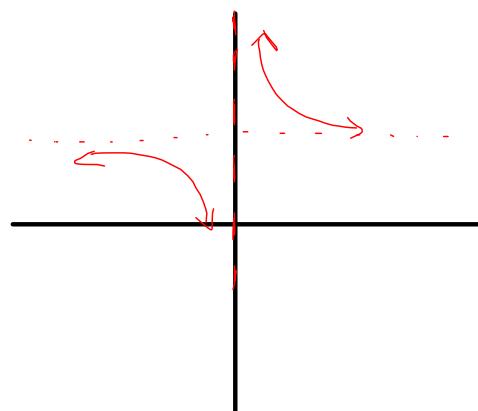
Asymptote  $x = -5$

## Using your TI-Nspire graph

$$I(x) = \frac{1}{x} + 2$$

$$x \neq 0$$

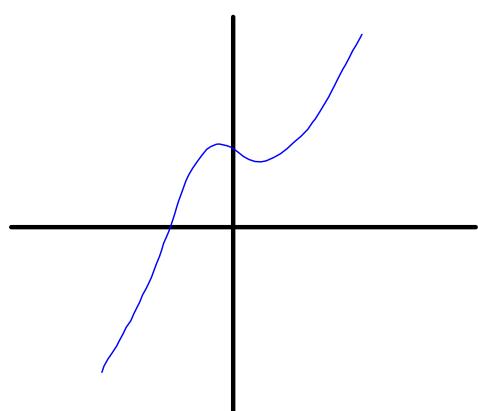
What do you observe?



✓ Translation up 2

## Using your TI-Nspire graph

$$m(x) = \frac{x^3 + 3}{x^2 + 2}$$



What do you observe?

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

$$x^2 \neq -2$$

$\therefore$  no restriction

**Rules:**

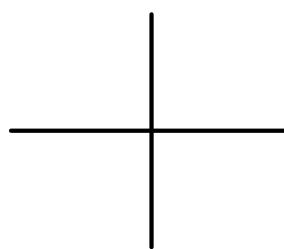
There is a Hole from a factor that is both in the numerator and denominator.

There is a Asymptote from a factor that is still in the denominator after simplification.

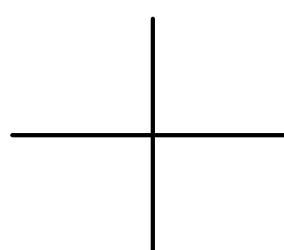
Try on your own...WITHOUT technology

Identify the holes and asymptotes

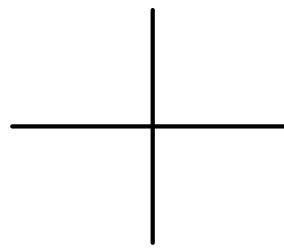
$$f(x) = \frac{3}{x-5}$$



$$g(x) = \frac{3}{x^2 - 3x - 10}$$



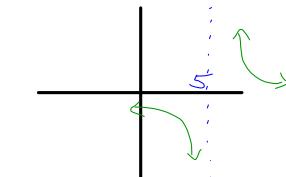
$$h(x) = \frac{x+4}{2x^2 - 32}$$



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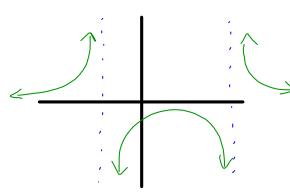
$$f(x) = \frac{3}{x-5}$$

A. at  $x=5$



$$g(x) = \frac{3}{x^2 - 3x - 10}$$

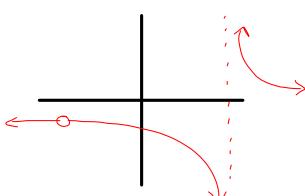
$$= \frac{3}{(x-5)(x+2)}$$



$$h(x) = \frac{x+4}{2x^2 - 32}$$

$$= \frac{x+4}{2(x^2 - 16)}$$

$$= \frac{x+4}{2(x+4)(x-4)}$$

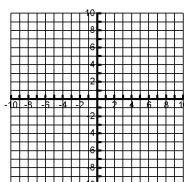


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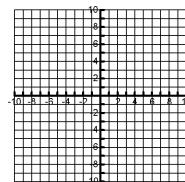
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Graphing Rational Functions

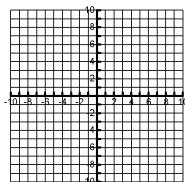
1.  $f(x) = \frac{2x^2 - 15x + 25}{x - 5}$



2.  $f(x) = \frac{5x^3 - 10x^2 - 15x}{5x}$



3.  $f(x) = \frac{3 - 3x}{3x^2 - 18x + 15}$



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**Simplify and State Restrictions**

**Graphing Rational Functions**

**To graph a Line ...**

$$y = mx + b$$

$m = \text{slope} = \frac{\text{Rise}}{\text{Run}}$

**To graph the Hole**

**Use Simplified Function**

$$f(s) = 2(s) - 5$$

$$= 10 - 5$$

$$= 5$$

**Hole (5, 5)**

**To graph a Parabola ...**

**Three Points**

**Zeros**  $(3, 0)$   $(-1, 0)$

$$AOI = \frac{3 + (-1)}{2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}$$

$$f(1) = (1 - 3)(1 + 1)$$

$$= -4 \therefore V(1, -4)$$

**To graph the Hole**

**Use Simplified Function**

$$f(0) = (0 - 3)(0 + 1)$$

$$= -3$$

**Hole (0, -3)**

**To graph a Reciprocal Function ...**

**Parent Function & Transformations**

**To graph the Hole**

**Use Simplified Function**

$$f(1) = \frac{1}{1 - 5}$$

$$= \frac{1}{-4} = \frac{1}{7}$$

**Hole  $(1, \frac{1}{7})$**

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**Graphing Rational Functions**

**4.**  $f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 4x - 12}{2x + 12}$

**5.**  $f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 4x + 4}{x - 2} \times \frac{x^2 - 6x + 8}{3x + 6}$

**6.**  $f(x) = \frac{5x - x^2}{-x^3 + 2x^2 + 15x}$

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

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{(x+6)(x-2)}{2(x+6)} \\
 &= \frac{x-2}{2} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2}(x-2) \\
 &\boxed{f(x) = \frac{1}{2}x - 1, x \neq -6}
 \end{aligned}$$

Hole:  $f(-6) = \frac{1}{2}(-6-2) = \frac{1}{2}(-8) = -4$   
 $(-6, -4)$

5.  $f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 4x + 4}{x-2} \times \frac{x^2 - 6x + 8}{3x + 6}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{(x+2)(x+2)}{(x-2)} \times \frac{(x-4)(x-2)}{3(x+2)} \\
 &= \frac{(x+2)(x-4)}{3} \\
 &\boxed{f(x) = \frac{1}{3}(x+2)(x-4), x \neq -2, 2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Parabola  
Zeroes:  $(-2, 0), (4, 0)$   
 $A \cos = -\frac{-2+4}{2} = 1$

Hole:  $f(2) = \frac{1}{3}(2+2)(2-4) = \frac{1}{3}(4)(-2) = -\frac{8}{3}$

6.  $f(x) = \frac{5x - x^2}{-x^2 + 2x^2 + 15x}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{-x^2 + 5x}{-x(x^2 - 2x - 15)} \\
 &= \frac{-x(x-5)}{-x(x-5)(x+3)}, \quad x \neq 0 \\
 &= \frac{1}{x+3}, \quad x \neq -3
 \end{aligned}$$

Hole:  $f(5) = \frac{1}{5+3} = \frac{1}{8}$

$f(0) = \frac{1}{0+3} = \frac{1}{3}$

Vertical Asymptote:

# Seatwork

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