

## Meet 7

### EVENT 4: Analytic Geometry – Rational Functions (Odd Years)

Notes: (1) The  $x$ -intercept is the first coordinate (the number) of the point(s) of intersection of the graph with the  $x$ -axis. The  $y$ -intercept is the second coordinate of the point(s) of intersection of the graph with the  $y$ -axis. If the problem calls for the  $x$ - and  $y$ -intercepts, to avoid ambiguity, the form of the answer blank should be:

Answer:  $x$ -intercept(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
 $y$ -intercept(s) \_\_\_\_\_

and the appropriate number(s) should be listed. If there is no  $x$ -intercept and/or  $y$ -intercepts, write “none”.

- (2) Asymptotes are lines and should be described by the appropriate linear equation (first degree in  $x$  and/or  $y$ ).  
 (3) Set or interval notation acceptable for domain and range.

Include: (1)  $x$ -intercepts and  $y$ -intercepts  
 (2) Vertical, horizontal, and slant asymptotes  
 (3) Domain and range of the function  
 (4) Symmetry with respect to the  $y$ -axis and origin

#### Sample Problems:

A. Find the  $x$ -intercept(s) for  $y = \frac{x^2 - 4}{x^2 - 25}$ .

Answer: 2, -2

B. Find the asymptotes for  $y = \frac{x^3}{x^2 + x - 12}$ .

Answer: vertical:  $x = 3$ ,  $x = -4$   
 horizontal: none  
 slant:  $y = x - 1$

C. Determine the domain and range of  $\left\{ (x, y) : y = \frac{4x^2 + 1}{x^2 - 1} \right\}$ .

Answer: domain:  $\{x : x \neq \pm 1\}$   
 range:  $\{y : y \leq -1 \text{ or } y > 4\}$

- A. Find the y-intercept of the graph of  $y = \frac{(x^2 - 36)(2x^2 - 8)}{x^2 + 8x + 12}$ .  
(2 pts)

ANSWER: \_\_\_\_\_

- B. Find the point of intersection of the asymptotes of the graph of  $y = \frac{x^3 + 8x^2 + 5x - 50}{x^2 - 4x + 4}$ .  
(3 pts)

ANSWER: \_\_\_\_\_ (      ,      )

- C. Find the domain and the range of  $\left\{ (x, y) : y = \frac{x^2}{4 - x^2} \right\}$ .  
(5 pts)

ANSWER: domain:  $\{x: \underline{\hspace{10em}}\}$   
range:  $\{y: \underline{\hspace{10em}}\}$

Event 4: ANALYTIC GEOMETRY— Rational Functions

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A. Find the  $x$ - and  $y$ -intercept(s) of  $-5xy + x^2 - 3x + 4y - 5 = 0$ .  
(2 pts)

\_\_\_\_\_  $x$  - intercept(s): \_\_\_\_\_

ANSWER: \_\_\_\_\_  $y$  - intercept(s): \_\_\_\_\_

B. Find the zeros of  $f(x) = \frac{x^3 - 2x^2 - 5x + 6}{x^3 + 3x^2 + 2x}$ .  
(3 pts)

ANSWER: \_\_\_\_\_

C. Find the area of the triangle in the first quadrant bounded by the  $x$ -axis and the slant and vertical asymptotes of  $f(x) = \frac{x^3 - 12x^2 - x + 15}{3 - 3x^2}$ .  
(5 pts)

ANSWER: \_\_\_\_\_

A. Find the zeros of  $y = \frac{(x+3)(x^2-4)}{(x+2)(x^2-5)}$ .

(2 pts)

ANSWER: \_\_\_\_\_

B. Find all asymptotes of  $y = \frac{x^2+5}{x-2}$ . If there is no asymptote of a particular type, write “none”.

(3 pts)

ANSWER: Horizontal: \_\_\_\_\_

Vertical: \_\_\_\_\_

Slant: \_\_\_\_\_

C. At what point does the graph of  $y = \frac{(x-1)(2x^3+3x-5)}{x^3-x^2+2x-2}$  cross its asymptote?

(5 pts)

ANSWER: \_\_\_\_\_ ( \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_ )

- A. In a certain national park, the deer population is estimated by  $N = \frac{10(5 + 3t)}{1 + 0.04t}$ , where  $N$  is the number of deer and  $t$  is the time in years,  $t \geq 0$ . What is the limiting size of the herd as time increases?
- (2 pts)

ANSWER: \_\_\_\_\_ deer

- B. Find all points of intersection of the asymptotes of  $y = \frac{3x^3 - 10x^2 - 27x + 10}{x^2 - 3x - 10}$ .
- (3 pts)

ANSWER: \_\_\_\_\_

- C. A certain rational function  $R(x)$  can be written as  $\frac{p(x)}{q(x)}$ , where  $p(x)$  is a polynomial of degree 2.  $R(x)$  has vertical asymptote  $x = -3$  and slant asymptote  $y = -2x + 5$ . If 1 is a zero of  $R(x)$ , find  $R(x)$ .
- (5 pts)

ANSWER:  $R(x) =$  \_\_\_\_\_

- A. Find the  $x$ - and  $y$ -intercept(s) of the following:  $y = \frac{4x^2 - 4}{x^4 - 16}$   
(2 pts)

ANSWER:             $x$ -intercept(s):  
            $y$ -intercept(s):

- B. At what points does the graph of  $y = \frac{8x^3 + 13x^2 + 21x + 26}{2x^3 + 3x^2 + 5x + 7}$  cross its horizontal asymptote?  
(3 pts)

ANSWER:           

- C. Determine the range:  $x^2y - x^2 - 4y + 1 = 0$   
(5 pts)

ANSWER:            {  $y$ :            }

A. (2 pts) Let  $\varphi(x) = \frac{20x^2 - 11}{\frac{x}{x+2} - \frac{x}{x-2}}$ . Find the domain of  $\varphi$ .

ANSWER {x: \_\_\_\_\_ }

B. (3 pts) Find all asymptotes for the graph of:

$$-x^3 + x^2 + x^2y + x + 2xy - 3y - 1 = 0.$$

ANSWER Horizontal \_\_\_\_\_

Vertical \_\_\_\_\_

Slant \_\_\_\_\_

C. (5 pts) Let  $f(x) = \frac{x+1}{x+2}$ ,  $g(x) = \frac{x-3}{x-2}$  and  $h(x) = (f \circ g)(x)$ . Find the domain and range of  $h$ .

ANSWER Domain: {x: \_\_\_\_\_ }

Range: {y: \_\_\_\_\_ }

- A. (2 pts) Find the  $x$ -intercepts and  $y$ -intercepts of

$$f(x) = \frac{5x^2 - 7x}{2x^2 - 50}$$

ANSWER:  $x$ -int. = \_\_\_\_\_

$y$ -int. = \_\_\_\_\_

- B. (3 pts) Find all the asymptotes of the function  $f(x) = \frac{x^3 + 2x^2 - 1}{2x^2 - 5}$ . If there is no asymptote of a particular type, write "none."

ANSWER: Horizontal: \_\_\_\_\_

Vertical: \_\_\_\_\_

Slant: \_\_\_\_\_

- C. (5 pts) A certain rational function  $R(x)$  can be written as  $\frac{p(x)}{q(x)}$  where  $p(x)$  is a polynomial of degree 2.  $R(x)$  has vertical asymptote  $x = 2$  and slant asymptote  $y = x + 2$ . 3 is a zero of  $R(x)$ . Find  $R(x)$ .

ANSWER:  $R(x) =$  \_\_\_\_\_



A. (2 pts)

Find the  $x$ -intercepts of:

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

ANSWER:  $x$ -intercept(s)

B. (3 pts)

Find all points of intersection of the asymptotes of:

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

ANSWER: \_\_\_\_\_

C. (5 pts)

Find the domain and range for:

$$y = \frac{x^3 - 4x}{x^3 - 9x}$$

ANSWER: Domain = {x: \_\_\_\_\_}  
Range = {y: \_\_\_\_\_}

A. (2 pts) Find the  $x$  and  $y$ -intercepts of

$$y = \frac{3x - 2}{x^2 - 4}$$

ANSWER:  $x$ -intercept(s): \_\_\_\_\_

$y$ -intercept(s): \_\_\_\_\_

B. (3 pts)

Given the rational function  $y = \frac{Ax^2 + Bx + C}{x^2 + D}$ .

Find the values of  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$ , and  $D$  so that the function is even, has asymptotes  $x = 2$  and  $y = 3$ , and contains the point  $(1, 2)$ .

ANSWER:  $A =$  \_\_\_\_\_  $B =$  \_\_\_\_\_  $C =$  \_\_\_\_\_  $D =$  \_\_\_\_\_

C. (5 pts)

At what point does the graph of  $y = \frac{2x^3 + 3x^2 + 5x + 7}{x^2 + 2x + 3}$

cross its slant asymptote?

ANSWER: ( \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_ )

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Event 5: ANALYTIC GEOMETRY - Rational Functions

2000

- A. (2 pts) Determine whether the graph of the following is symmetric with respect to the  $x$ -axis, the  $y$ -axis, and/or the origin. If so, place a "yes" in the appropriate answer blank. If not, answer "no."

$$y = \frac{x^3 - x}{x^2 + 5}$$

ANSWER

$x$ -axis: \_\_\_\_\_  
 $y$ -axis: \_\_\_\_\_  
origin: \_\_\_\_\_

- B. (3 pts) Find all asymptotes for the graph of

$$2x^3 - x^2y + 2x^2 - 3xy - 12x + 10y = 0$$

If there is no asymptote of a particular type, write "none."

ANSWER

Vertical: \_\_\_\_\_  
Horizontal: \_\_\_\_\_  
Slant: \_\_\_\_\_

- C. (5 pts) Determine the range:

$$x^2y - xy - 6y - 4 = 0$$

ANSWER

Range:  $\{y \mid \underline{\hspace{10em}}\}$

Event 5: ANALYTIC GEOMETRY – Rational Functions

1998

A. (2 pts) Find the x- and y-intercept(s) for the graph of:

$$2x^2 + 2xy - x - y - 2 = 0$$

ANSWER x-intercept(s): \_\_\_\_\_

y-intercept(s): \_\_\_\_\_

B. (3 pts)

Find the equation(s) of all asymptotes for the graph of:  $F(x) = \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$

where  $f(x) = x^3 - 1$  and  $g(x) = x^2 - 1$ . If there is no asymptote of a particular kind, write "None" in the corresponding answer space.

ANSWER: Vertical: \_\_\_\_\_

Horizontal: \_\_\_\_\_

Slant: \_\_\_\_\_

C. (5 pts)

Find the domain:

$$f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + 5x + 4}}{\sqrt{x^2 - 3x - 10}}$$

ANSWER Domain: {x: \_\_\_\_\_}



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Event 5: ANALYTIC GEOMETRY - Algebraic curves in the Cartesian plane

1996

A. (2 pts) Find the  $x$ -intercept(s) of the graph of  $2x^3 - 2x^2 - x - y = 0$

ANSWER x-intercept(s): \_\_\_\_\_

B. (3 pts) Find the range of  $y = x + \frac{1}{x}$ .

ANSWER {y: \_\_\_\_\_}

C. (5 pts) Determine  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$ , and  $d$ , given that the graph of  $y = \frac{ax^2 + bx + c}{x + d}$  has a slant asymptote  $y = 5x - 3$ , vertical asymptote  $x = -4$ , and an  $x$ -intercept of  $-2$ .

ANSWER  $a =$  \_\_\_\_\_,  $b =$  \_\_\_\_\_,  $c =$  \_\_\_\_\_,  $d =$  \_\_\_\_\_

A. (2 pts) Find the zero(s) of:

$$y = \frac{(x - 2)^2 (x^2 + 2x - 35)}{(x^2 - 7x + 10)(x - 2)}$$

ANSWER \_\_\_\_\_

B. (3 pts) Find all asymptotes of the graph of:

$$y = \frac{2x^3 + 5x^2 - 3x}{x^2 + x - 6}$$

If there is no asymptote of a particular kind, write "None" in the corresponding blank.

ANSWER: Vertical: \_\_\_\_\_

Horizontal: \_\_\_\_\_

Slant: \_\_\_\_\_

C. (5 pts) Find the domain and range of the relation with equation

$$12x^2 + y^2 + 13 = 4y - 24x$$

ANSWER Domain: {x: \_\_\_\_\_}

Range: {y: \_\_\_\_\_}

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**Rational Functions**

2018

- A. 24  
 B. (2, 14)  
 C. domain:  $\{x : x \neq \pm 2\}$   
 range:  $\{y : y \geq 0 \text{ or } y < -1\}$

2016

- A. x-intercepts:  $\frac{3 \pm \sqrt{29}}{2}$   
 y-intercept:  $5/4$   
 B. 1, 3  
 C.  $121/6$

2014

- A. -3, 2  
 B. Horizontal: none  
 Vertical:  $x = 2$   
 Slant:  $y = x + 2$   
 C. (-5, -10)

2012

- A. 750  
 B. no points of intersection  
 C.  $\frac{-2x^2 - x + 3}{x + 3}$

2010

- A. x-intercept(s):  $\pm 1$   
 y-intercept(s):  $1/4$   
 B. (-2, 4), (1, 4)  
 C.  $\{y : y > 1 \text{ or } y \leq 1/4\}$

2008

- A.  $\{x | x \neq \pm 2 \text{ and } x \neq 0\}$   
 B. Horizontal: none  
 Vertical:  $x = -3$   
 Slant:  $y = x - 3$   
 C.  $\{x : x \neq 7/3, x \neq 2\}$   
 $\{y : y \neq 2/3, y \neq 1\}$

2006

- A. x-intercept: 0,  $7/5$   
 y-intercept: 0  
 B. Horizontal: none  
 Vertical:  $x = \pm \sqrt{10}/2$   
 Slant:  $y = \frac{1}{2}x + 1$   
 C.  $y = \frac{x^2 - 9}{x - 2}$

2004

- A. x-intercept: -3, 2  
 B. (3, 19), (1, 13)  
 C. Domain:  $\{x : x \neq 0 \text{ and } x \neq \pm 3\}$   
 Range:  $\{y : y < 4/9 \text{ or } y > 1\}$

2002

- A. x-intercept:  $2/3$   
 y-intercept:  $1/2$   
 B.  $A = 3, B = 0, C = -9, D = -4$   
 C. (-10, -21)

2000

- A. x-axis: No  
 y-axis: No  
 Origin: Yes  
 B. Vertical:  $x = -5$   
 Horizontal: none  
 Slant:  $y = 2x - 4$   
 C.  $\{y | y > 0 \text{ or } y \leq -16/25\}$

1998

- A. x-intercept:  $\frac{1 \pm \sqrt{17}}{4}$   
 y-intercept: -2  
 B. Vertical:  $x = -1$   
 Horizontal: none  
 Slant:  $y = x$   
 C. Domain:  $\{x | x \neq -2 \text{ and } x \neq 1\}$   
 Range:  $\{y | y \geq -9/4\}$

1997

- A. x-intercept: 2, 6  
 y-intercept: 24  
 B. Vertical:  $x = \sqrt{6}, x = -\sqrt{6}$   
 Horizontal: none  
 Slant:  $y = \frac{1}{3}x + 12$   
 C. Domain:  $\{x : -4 \leq x \leq 2\}$   
 Range:  $\{y : 0 \leq y \leq 4\}$

1996

- A.  $0, \frac{1 + \sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{1 - \sqrt{3}}{2}$   
 B.  $\{y : y \leq -2 \text{ or } y \geq 2\}$  or  $\{y : |y| \geq 2\}$   
 C.  $a = 5, b = 17, c = 14, d = 4$

Note: Answers are shown as they appear on the original answer keys. There may be inconsistencies with the formatting of these answers. In all cases, consult the Guidelines for Forms of Answers to determine the correct formatting.



1995

A.  $-7$

B. Vertical:  $x = 2$

Horizontal: none

Slant:  $y = 2x + 3$

C. Domain:  $\left\{x : -\frac{3}{2} \leq x \leq -\frac{1}{2}\right\}$

Range:  $\{y : 2 - \sqrt{3} \leq y \leq 2 + \sqrt{3}\}$