

"I can't plug in zero... domain!!"

8-3 Graphing Reciprocal Functions

$$n \neq 0$$

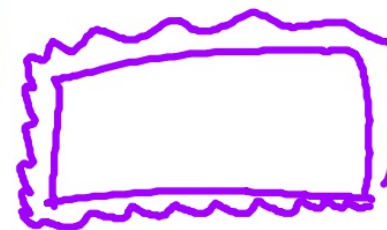
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Why?

The East High School Chorale wants to raise \$5000 to fund a trip to a national competition in Tampa. They have decided to sell candy bars. They will make a \$1 profit on each candy bar they sell, so they need to sell 5000 candy bars.

If c represents the number of candy bars each student has to sell and n represents the number of students, then $c = \frac{5000}{n}$.

Students	Number of Candy Bars
1	5000
25	200
50	100
100	50



"I can't calculate out zero..."

$$\frac{5000}{1} = 5000$$

range...

$$\frac{5000}{25} = 200$$

KeyConcept Parent Function of Reciprocal Functions

Parent function: $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$

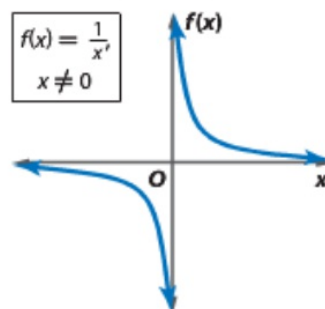
Type of graph: **hyperbola**

Domain and range: all nonzero real numbers

Asymptotes: $x = 0$ and $f(x) = 0$

Intercepts: none

Not defined: $x = 0$



The domain of a reciprocal function is limited to values for which the function is defined.

Functions: $f(x) = \frac{-3}{x+2}$

$g(x) = \frac{4}{x-5}$

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

Not defined at: $x = -2$

$x = 5$

$x = 0$



Example 1 Limitations on Domain

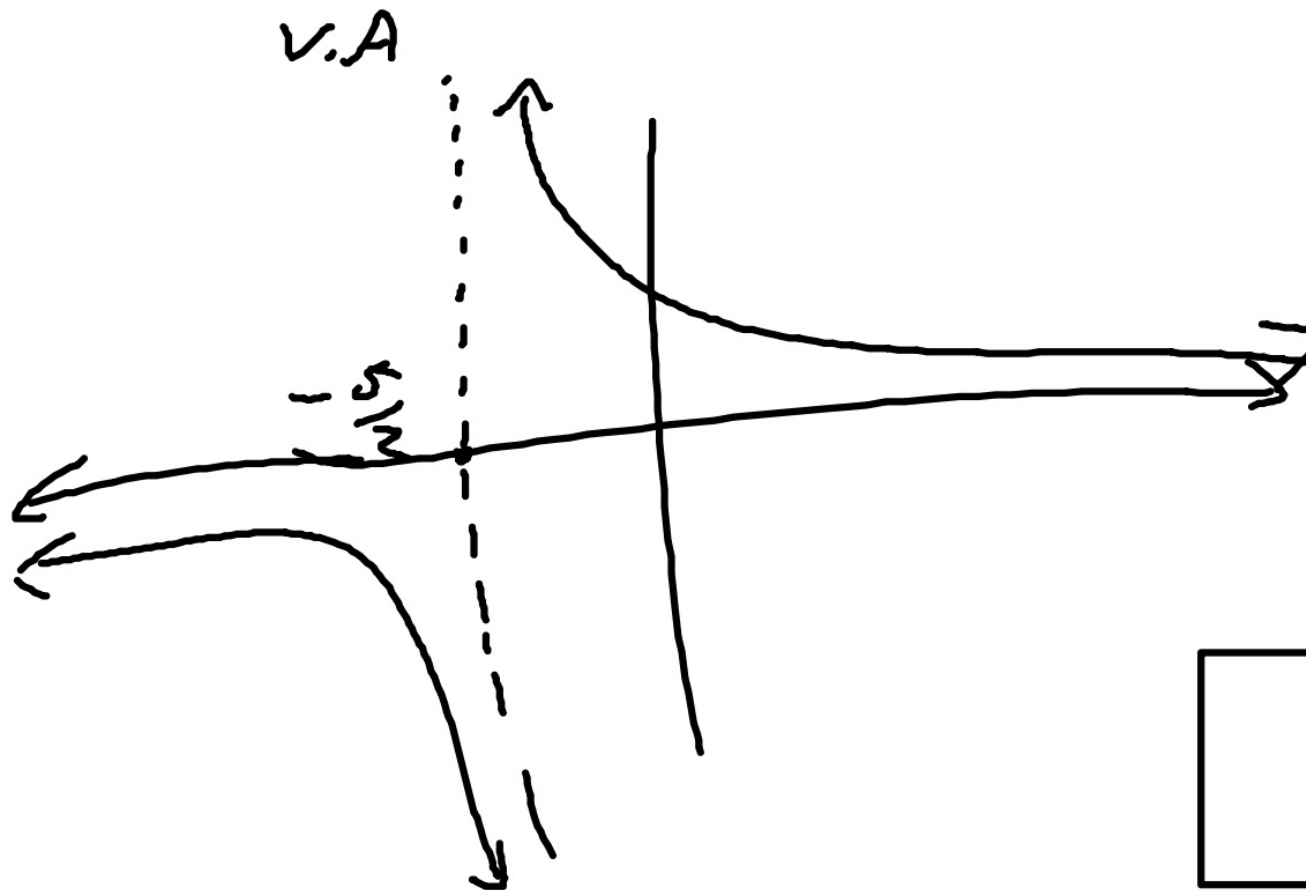
Determine the value of x for which $f(x) = \frac{3}{2x+5}$ is not defined.

Find the value for which the denominator of the expression equals 0.

$$\frac{3}{2x+5} \rightarrow 2x+5=0$$

$$x = -\frac{5}{2}$$

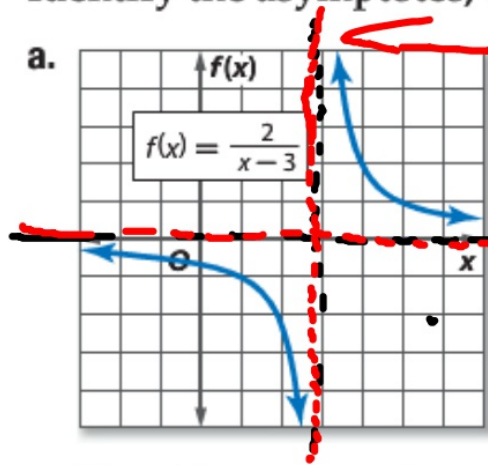
The function is undefined for $x = -\frac{5}{2}$.



Example 2 Determine Properties of Reciprocal Functions

Identify the asymptotes, domain, and range of each function.

a.



Vertical asymptote

horizontal asymptote

Identify x -values for which $f(x)$ is undefined.

$$\begin{aligned}x - 3 &= 0 \\x &= 3\end{aligned}$$

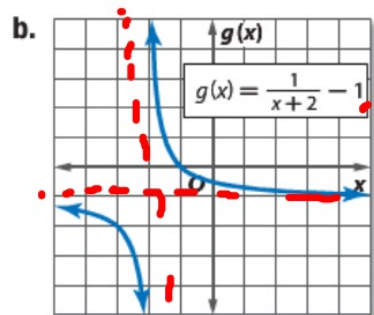
$f(x)$ is not defined when $x = 3$. So there is an asymptote at $x = 3$.

From $x = 3$, as x -values decrease, $f(x)$ -values approach 0, and as x -values increase, $f(x)$ -values approach 0. So there is an asymptote at $f(x) = 0$.

The domain is all real numbers not equal to 3 and the range is all real numbers not equal to 0.

Example 2 Determine Properties of Reciprocal Functions

Identify the asymptotes, domain, and range of each function.



Identify x -values for which $g(x)$ is undefined.

$$x + 2 = 0$$

$$x = -2$$

$g(x)$ is not defined when $x = -2$. So there is an asymptote at $x = -2$.

From $x = -2$, as x -values decrease, $g(x)$ -values approach -1 , and as x -values increase, $g(x)$ -values approach -1 . So there is an asymptote at $g(x) = -1$.

The domain is all real numbers not equal to -2 and the range is all real numbers not equal to -1 .

$$x \neq -2 \quad f(x) \neq -1$$

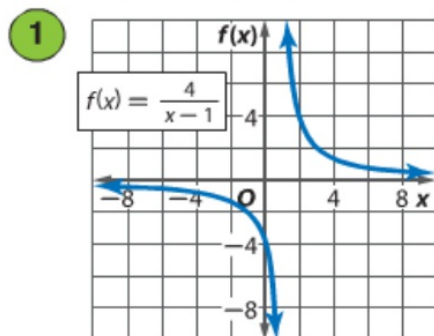
$$x \neq -1 \quad f(x) \neq 5$$

Check Your Understanding

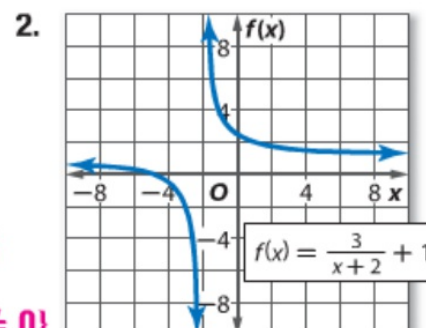
 = Step-by-Step Solutions begin on page R14.



Examples 1–2 Identify the asymptotes, domain, and range of each function.



$x = 1, f(x) = 0;$
 $D = \{x \mid x \neq 1\};$
 $R = \{f(x) \mid f(x) \neq 0\}$



$x = -2, f(x) = 1;$
 $D = \{x \mid x \neq -2\};$
 $R = \{f(x) \mid f(x) \neq 1\}$



KeyConcept Transformations of Reciprocal Functions

$$f(x) = \frac{a}{x-h} + k$$

h – Horizontal Translation	k – Vertical Translation
h units right if h is positive	k units up if k is positive
$ h $ units left if h is negative	$ k $ units down if k is negative
The <i>vertical</i> asymptote is at $x = h$.	The <i>horizontal</i> asymptote is at $f(x) = k$.
a – Orientation and Shape	
If $a < 0$, the graph is reflected across the x -axis.	If $ a > 1$, the graph is stretched vertically.
	If $0 < a < 1$, the graph is compressed vertically.

Example 3 Graph Transformations

Graph each function. State the domain and range.

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

$x \neq 4$ $y \neq 2$

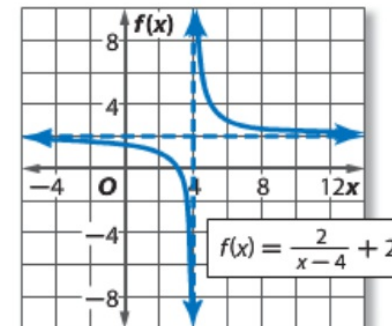
This represents a transformation of the graph of $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$.

$a = 2$: The graph is stretched vertically.

$h = 4$: The graph is translated 4 units right.
There is an asymptote at $x = 4$.

$k = 2$: The graph is translated 2 units up.
There is an asymptote at $f(x) = 2$.

Domain: $\{x \mid x \neq 4\}$ Range: $\{f(x) \mid f(x) \neq 2\}$



KeyConcept Transformations of Reciprocal Functions

$$f(x) = \frac{a}{x-h} + k$$

 h – Horizontal Translation

h units right if h is positive

$|h|$ units left if h is negative

The *vertical* asymptote is at $x = h$.

 k – Vertical Translation

k units up if k is positive

$|k|$ units down if k is negative

The *horizontal* asymptote is at $f(x) = k$.

 a – Orientation and Shape

If $a < 0$, the graph is reflected across the x -axis.

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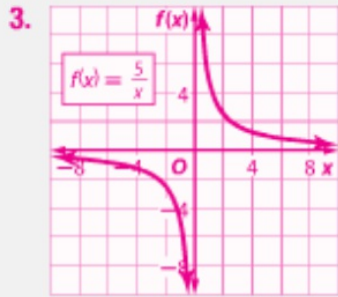
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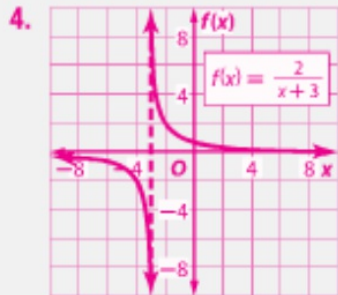
Graph each function. State the domain and range.

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

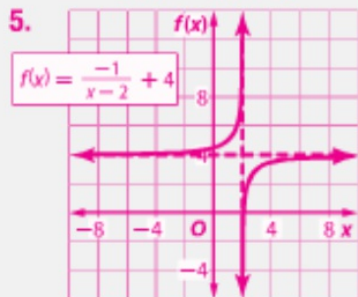
Additional Answers



$D = \{x \mid x \neq 0\};$
 $R = \{f(x) \mid f(x) \neq 0\}$



$D = \{x \mid x \neq -3\};$
 $R = \{f(x) \mid f(x) \neq 0\}$



$D = \{x \mid x \neq 2\};$
 $R = \{f(x) \mid f(x) \neq 4\}$

KeyConcept Transformations of Reciprocal Functions

$$f(x) = \frac{a}{x-h} + k$$

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k units up if k is positive
 $|k|$ units down if k is negative

The *horizontal* asymptote is at $f(x) = k$.

a – Orientation and Shape

If $a < 0$, the graph is reflected across the x -axis.

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Graph each function. State the domain and range. 3–5. See margin.

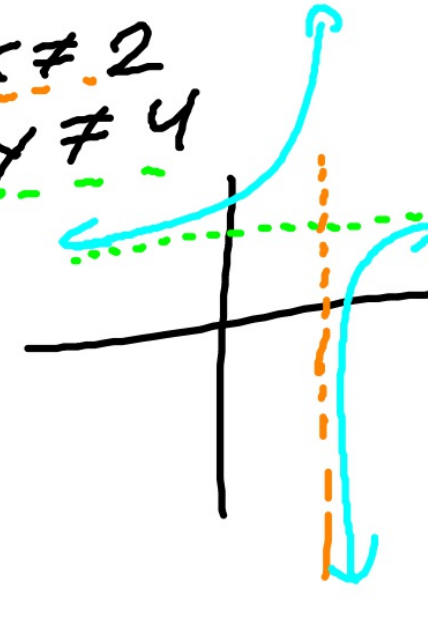
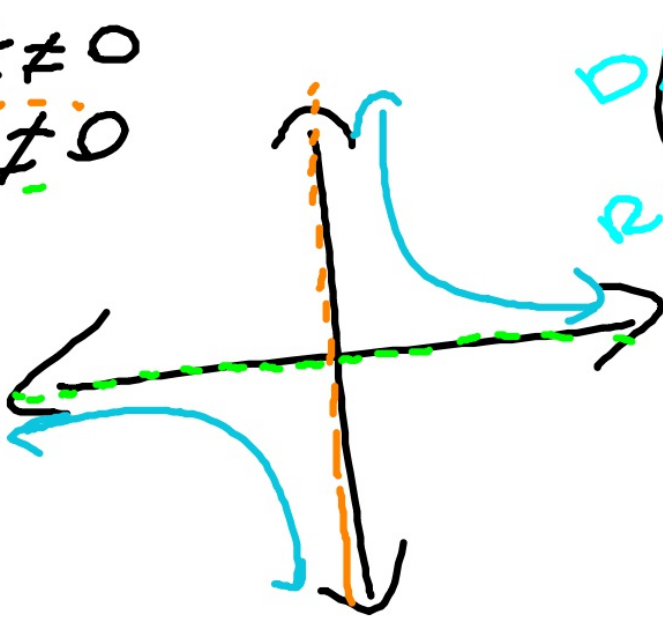
3. $f(x) = \frac{5}{x}$

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

5. $f(x) = \frac{-1}{x-2} + 4$

$D: x \neq 0$
 $R: y \neq 0$

$D: x \neq 2$
 $R: y \neq 4$



 **Real-World Example 4** Write Equations

TRAVEL An airline has a daily nonstop flight between Los Angeles, California, and Sydney, Australia. A one-way trip is about 7500 miles.

- a. Write an equation to represent the travel time from Los Angeles to Sydney as a function of flight speed. Then graph the equation.

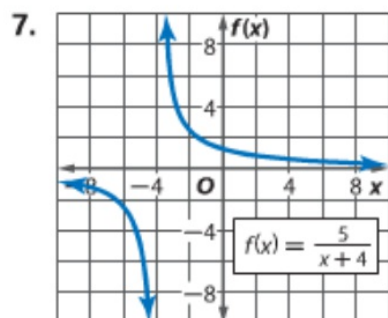
- b. Explain any limitations to the range or domain in this situation.

Example 4

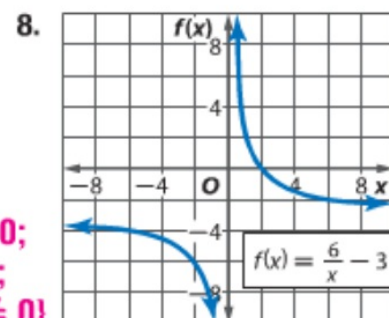
6. **CCSS SENSE-MAKING** A group of friends plans to get their youth group leader a gift certificate for a day at a spa. The certificate costs \$150.
- a. If c represents the cost for each friend and f represents the number of friends, write an equation to represent the cost to each friend as a function of how many friends give.
- b. Graph the function. **See margin.**
- c. Explain any limitations to the range or domain in this situation.



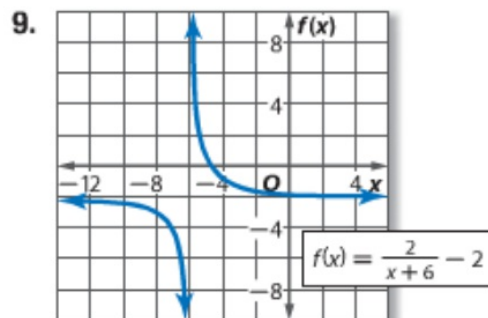
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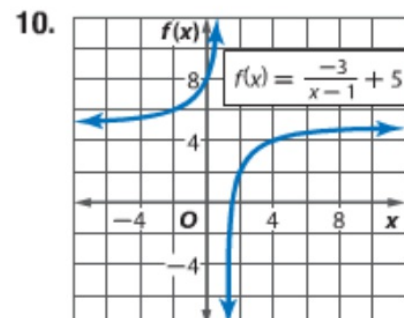
$x = -4, f(x) = 0;$
 $D = \{x \mid x \neq -4\};$
 $R = \{f(x) \mid f(x) \neq 0\}$



$x = 0, f(x) = -3;$
 $D = \{x \mid x \neq 0\};$
 $R = \{f(x) \mid f(x) \neq -3\}$



$x = -6, f(x) = -2; D = \{x \mid x \neq -6\};$
 $R = \{f(x) \mid f(x) \neq -2\}$



$x = 1, f(x) = 5;$
 $D = \{x \mid x \neq 1\};$
 $R = \{f(x) \mid f(x) \neq 5\}$

$$R = \{f(x) \mid f(x) \neq -2\}$$

Example 3

Graph each function. State the domain and range. **11–22. See Chapter 8 Answer Appendix.**

11. $f(x) = \frac{3}{x}$

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

13. $f(x) = \frac{2}{x-6}$

14. $f(x) = \frac{6}{x} - 5$

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

16. $f(x) = \frac{8}{x}$

17. $f(x) = \frac{-2}{x-5}$

18. $f(x) = \frac{3}{x-7} - 8$

19. $f(x) = \frac{9}{x+3} + 6$

20. $f(x) = \frac{8}{x+3}$

21. $f(x) = \frac{-6}{x+4} - 2$

22. $f(x) = \frac{-5}{x-2} + 2$

Example 4

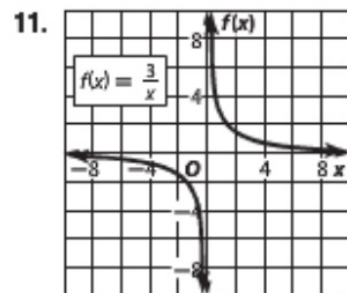
23. **CYCLING** Marina's New Year's resolution is to ride her bike 5000 miles.

- If m represents the mileage Marina rides each day and d represents the number of days, write an equation to represent the mileage each day as a function of the number of days that she rides. $m = \frac{5000}{d}$
- Graph the function. **See Chapter 8 Answer Appendix.**
- If she rides her bike every day of the year, how many miles should she ride each day to meet her goal? **13.7 mi**

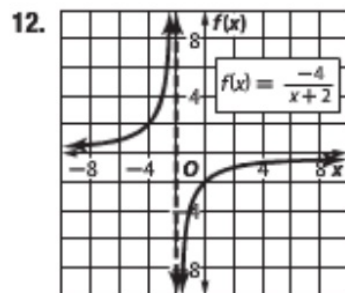
24. **CCSS MODELING** Parker has 200 grams of an unknown liquid. Knowing the density will help him discover what type of liquid this is.

- Density of a liquid is found by dividing the mass by the volume. Write an equation to represent the density of this unknown as a function of volume. $d = \frac{200}{v}$
- Graph the function. **See Chapter 8 Answer Appendix.**
- From the graph, identify the asymptotes, domain, and range of the function.
 $v = 0, d = 0; D = \{v \mid v \neq 0\}; R = \{d \mid d \neq 0\}$

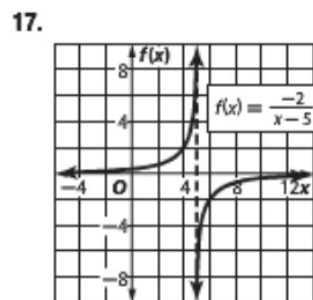
Lesson 8-3



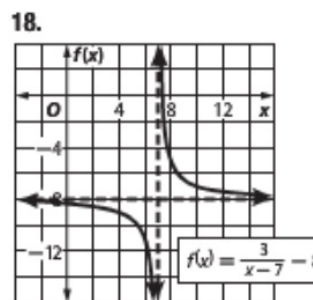
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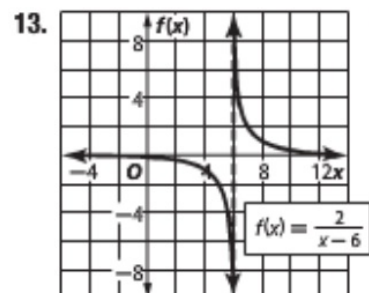
$D = \{x \mid x \neq -2\};$
 $R = \{f(x) \mid f(x) \neq 0\}$



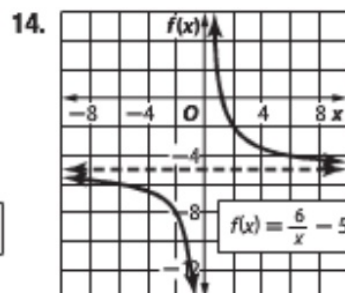
$D = \{x \mid x \neq 5\};$
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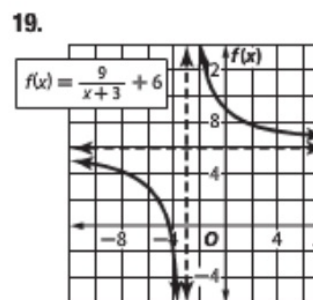
$D = \{x \mid x \neq 7\};$
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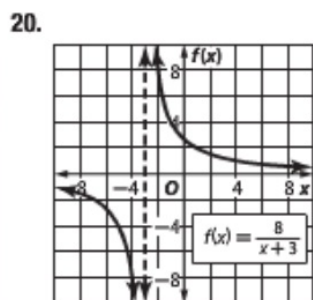
$D = \{x \mid x \neq 6\};$
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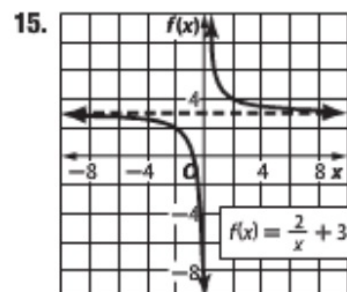
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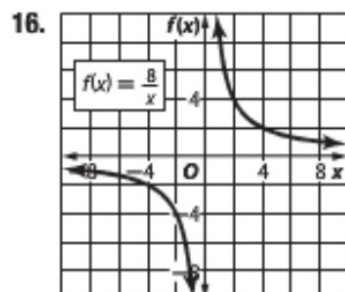
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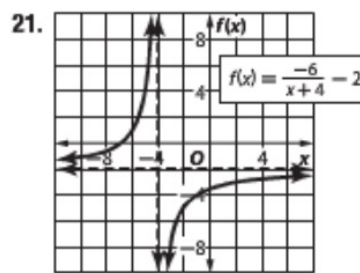
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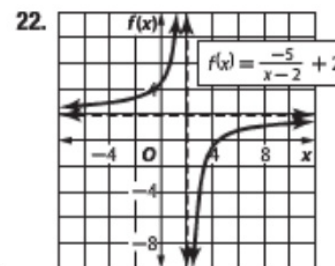
$D = \{x \mid x \neq 0\};$
 $R = \{f(x) \mid f(x) \neq 3\}$



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 $R = \{f(x) \mid f(x) \neq 0\}$



$D = \{x \mid x \neq -4\}; R = \{f(x) \mid f(x) \neq -2\}$



$D = \{x \mid x \neq 2\}; R = \{f(x) \mid f(x) \neq 2\}$