

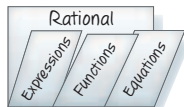


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Be sure the following
Key Concepts are noted
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**Key Concepts****Rational Expressions** (Lessons 8-1 and 8-2)

- Multiplying and dividing rational expressions is similar to multiplying and dividing fractions.
- To simplify complex fractions, simplify the numerator and the denominator separately, and then simplify the resulting expression.

Direct, Joint, and Inverse Variation

(Lesson 8-4)

- Direct Variation: There is a nonzero constant k such that $y = kx$.
- Joint Variation: There is a number k such that $y = kxz$, where $x \neq 0$ and $z \neq 0$.
- Inverse Variation: There is a nonzero constant k such that $xy = k$ or $y = \frac{k}{x}$.

Classes of Functions (Lesson 8-5)

- The following functions can be classified as special functions: constant function, direct variation function, identity function, greatest integer function, absolute value function, quadratic function, square root function, rational function, inverse variation function.

Rational Equations and Inequalities

(Lesson 8-6)

- Eliminate fractions in rational equations by multiplying each side of the equation by the LCD.
- Possible solutions of a rational equation must exclude values that result in zero in the denominator.

Key Vocabulary

- asymptote (p. 457)
- complex fraction (p. 445)
- constant of variation (p. 465)
- continuity (p. 457)
- direct variation (p. 465)
- inverse variation (p. 467)
- joint variation (p. 466)
- point discontinuity (p. 457)
- rational equation (p. 479)
- rational expression (p. 442)
- rational function (p. 457)
- rational inequality (p. 483)

Vocabulary Check

State whether each sentence is *true* or *false*.
If *false*, replace the underlined word or number to make a true sentence.

1. The equation $y = \frac{x^2 - 1}{x + 1}$ has a(n) asymptote at $x = -1$.
2. The equation $y = 3x$ is an example of a(n) direct variation equation.
3. The equation $y = \frac{x^2}{x + 1}$ is a(n) polynomial equation.
4. The graph of $y = \frac{4}{x - 4}$ has a(n) variation at $x = 4$.
5. The equation $b = \frac{2}{a}$ is a(n) inverse variation equation.
6. On the graph of $y = \frac{x - 5}{x + 2}$, there is a break in continuity at $x = \underline{2}$.
7. The expression $\frac{1 + \frac{1}{x}}{1 - \frac{1}{x}}$ is an example of a complex fraction.
8. In the direct variation $y = 6x$, 6 is the degree.



Lesson-by-Lesson Review

8-1 Multiplying and Dividing Rational Expressions (pp. 442-449)

Simplify each expression.

9. $\frac{-4ab}{21c} \cdot \frac{14c^2}{22a^2}$

10. $\frac{a^2 - b^2}{6b} \div \frac{a + b}{36b^2}$

11. $\frac{\frac{x^2 + 7x + 10}{x + 2}}{\frac{x^2 + 2x - 15}{x + 2}}$

12. $\frac{\frac{1}{n^2 - 6n + 9}}{\frac{n + 3}{2n^2 - 18}}$

13. $\frac{y^2 - y - 12}{y + 2} \div \frac{y - 4}{y^2 - 4y - 12}$

14. $\frac{x^2 + 3x - 10}{x^2 + 8x + 15} \cdot \frac{x^2 + 5x + 6}{x^2 + 4x + 4}$

15. **GEOMETRY** A triangle has an area of $2x^2 + 4x - 16$ square meters. If the base is $x - 2$ meters, find the height.

Example 1 Simplify $\frac{3x}{2y} \cdot \frac{8y^3}{6x^2}$.

$$\frac{3x}{2y} \cdot \frac{8y^3}{6x^2} = \frac{\overset{1}{\cancel{3}} \cdot \overset{1}{\cancel{x}} \cdot \overset{1}{\cancel{2}} \cdot \overset{1}{\cancel{2}} \cdot 2 \cdot \overset{1}{\cancel{y}} \cdot y \cdot y}{\underset{1}{\cancel{2}} \cdot \underset{1}{\cancel{y}} \cdot \underset{1}{\cancel{2}} \cdot \underset{1}{\cancel{3}} \cdot \underset{1}{\cancel{x}} \cdot x} = \frac{2y^2}{x}$$

Example 2 Simplify $\frac{p^2 + 7p}{3p} \div \frac{49 - p^2}{3p - 21}$.

$$\frac{p^2 + 7p}{3p} \div \frac{49 - p^2}{3p - 21} = \frac{p^2 + 7p}{3p} \cdot \frac{3p - 21}{49 - p^2} = \frac{\overset{1}{\cancel{p}}(\overset{1}{\cancel{p}} + 7)}{\underset{1}{\cancel{3p}} \cdot \underset{1}{\cancel{3}}(7 + p)} \cdot \frac{-\overset{1}{\cancel{3}}(\overset{1}{\cancel{7}} - p)}{\underset{1}{\cancel{(7 + p)}}(\overset{1}{\cancel{7}} - p)} = -1$$

8-2 Adding and Subtracting Rational Expressions (pp. 450-456)

Simplify each expression.

16. $\frac{x + 2}{x - 5} + 6$

17. $\frac{x - 1}{x^2 - 1} + \frac{2}{5x + 5}$

18. $\frac{7}{y} - \frac{2}{3y}$

19. $\frac{7}{y - 2} - \frac{11}{2 - y}$

20. $\frac{3}{4b} - \frac{2}{5b} - \frac{1}{2b}$

21. $\frac{m + 3}{m^2 - 6m + 9} - \frac{8m - 24}{9 - m^2}$

BIOLOGY For Exercises 22 and 23, use the following information.

After a person eats something, the pH or acid level A of their mouth can be determined by the formula $A = -\frac{20.4t}{t^2 + 36} + 6.5$, where t is the number of minutes that have elapsed since the food was eaten.

22. Simplify the equation.
23. What would the acid level be after 30 minutes?

Example 3 Simplify $\frac{14}{x + y} - \frac{9x}{x^2 - y^2}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{14}{x + y} - \frac{9x}{x^2 - y^2} &= \frac{14}{x + y} - \frac{9x}{(x + y)(x - y)} \\ &= \frac{14(x - y)}{(x + y)(x - y)} - \frac{9x}{(x + y)(x - y)} \\ &= \frac{14(x - y) - 9x}{(x + y)(x - y)} && \text{Subtract the numerators.} \\ &= \frac{14x - 14y - 9x}{(x + y)(x - y)} && \text{Distributive Property} \\ &= \frac{5x - 14y}{(x + y)(x - y)} && \text{Simplify.} \end{aligned}$$

8-3 Graphing Rational Functions (pp. 457-463)

Graph each rational function.

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

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

26. $f(x) = \frac{2}{x}$

27. $f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 2x + 1}{x + 1}$

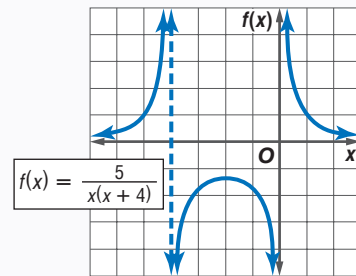
28. $f(x) = \frac{x-4}{x+3}$

29. $f(x) = \frac{5}{(x+1)(x-3)}$

30. **SANDWICHES** A group makes 45 sandwiches to take on a picnic. The number of sandwiches a person can eat depends on how many people go on the trip. Write and graph a function to illustrate this situation.

Example 4 Graph $f(x) = \frac{5}{x(x+4)}$.

The function is undefined for $x = 0$ and $x = -4$. Since $\frac{5}{x(x+4)}$ is in simplest form, $x = 0$ and $x = -4$ are vertical asymptotes. Draw the two asymptotes and sketch the graph.



8-4 Direct, Joint, and Inverse Variation (pp. 465-471)

31. If y varies directly as x and $y = 21$ when $x = 7$, find x when $y = -5$.
32. If y varies inversely as x and $y = 9$ when $x = 2.5$, find y when $x = -0.6$.
33. If y varies inversely as x and $y = -4$ when $x = 8$, find y when $x = -121$.
34. If y varies jointly as x and z and $x = 2$ and $z = 4$ when $y = 16$, find y when $x = 5$ and $z = 8$.
35. If y varies jointly as x and z and $y = 14$ when $x = 10$ and $z = 7$, find y when $x = 11$ and $z = 8$.
36. **EMPLOYMENT** Chris's pay varies directly with how many lawns he mows. If his pay is \$65 for 5 yards, find his pay after he has mowed 13 yards.

Example 5 If y varies inversely as x and $x = 14$ when $y = -6$, find x when $y = -11$.

$$\frac{x_1}{y_2} = \frac{x_2}{y_1} \quad \text{Inverse variation}$$

$$\frac{14}{-11} = \frac{x_2}{-6} \quad x_1 = 14, y_1 = -6, y_2 = -11$$

$$14(-6) = -11(x_2) \quad \text{Cross multiply.}$$

$$-84 = -11x_2 \quad \text{Simplify.}$$

$$7\frac{7}{11} = x_2 \quad \text{Divide each side by } -11.$$

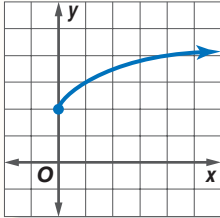
When $y = -11$, the value of x is $7\frac{7}{11}$.

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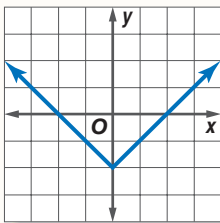
Classes of Functions (pp. 473-478)

Identify the type of function represented by each graph.

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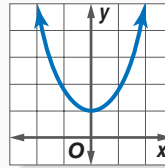


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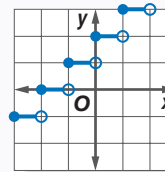
Example 6 Identify the type of function represented by each graph.

a.



The graph has a parabolic shape; therefore, it is a quadratic function.

b.



The graph has a stair-step pattern; therefore, it is a greatest integer function.

8-6

Solving Rational Equations and Inequalities (pp. 479-486)

Solve each equation or inequality. Check your solutions.

39. $\frac{3}{y} + \frac{7}{y} = 9$

40. $\frac{3x+2}{4} = \frac{9}{4} - \frac{3-2x}{6}$

41. $\frac{1}{r^2-1} = \frac{2}{r^2+r-2}$

42. $\frac{x}{x^2-1} + \frac{2}{x+1} = 1 + \frac{1}{2x-2}$

43. $\frac{1}{3b} - \frac{3}{4b} > \frac{1}{6}$

44. **PUZZLES** Danielle can put a puzzle together in three hours. Aidan can put the same puzzle together in five hours. How long will it take them if they work together?

Example 7 Solve $\frac{1}{x-1} + \frac{2}{x} = 0$.

The LCD is $x(x-1)$.

$$\frac{1}{x-1} + \frac{2}{x} = 0$$

$$x(x-1)\left(\frac{1}{x-1} + \frac{2}{x}\right) = x(x-1)(0)$$

$$x(x-1)\left(\frac{1}{x-1}\right) + x(x-1)\left(\frac{2}{x}\right) = x(x-1)(0)$$

$$1(x) + 2(x-1) = 0$$

$$x + 2x - 2 = 0$$

$$3x - 2 = 0$$

$$3x = 2$$

$$x = \frac{2}{3}$$