

Annalyn 9.3 Notes

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9.3 Connecting Graphs and Rational Equations

To solve rational equations algebraically:

- Determine the value of all **non-permissible values**. List them.
- Find the least-common denominator (LCD).
- Multiply each term in the equation by the LCD, to eliminate fractions
- Solve this simpler equation. If a solution is an NPV, reject it.

Example

a) Solve algebraically:

$$\frac{3}{x} = 1 + \frac{x-13}{6}$$

NPV $x=0$

LCD would be $6x$.
Multiply each term in the equation by $6x$.

$$6x \left(\frac{3}{x} \right) = 6x(1) + 6x \left(\frac{x-13}{6} \right)$$

$$18 = 6x + x(x-13)$$

$$18 = 6x + x^2 - 13x$$

$$0 = x^2 - 7x - 18$$

$$0 = (x+2)(x-9)$$

$x+2=0$ → $x=-2$

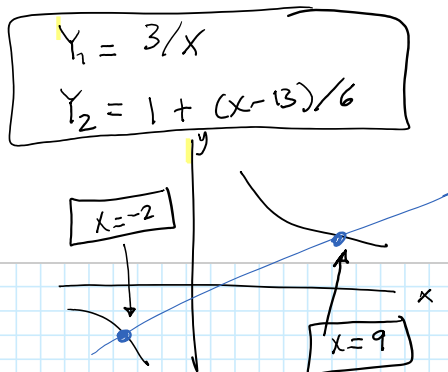
$x-9=0$ → $x=9$

(neither one is an NPV, so they are both valid solutions)

b) Verify the solution graphically.

(**SKIPPING THIS**)

$$\frac{3}{x} = 1 + \frac{x-13}{6}$$



There are two ways to solve graphically.

1) Graph $Y_1 =$ LHS of equation

Graph $Y_2 =$ RHS of equation.

Find the x -values where the 2 graphs intersect.

OR

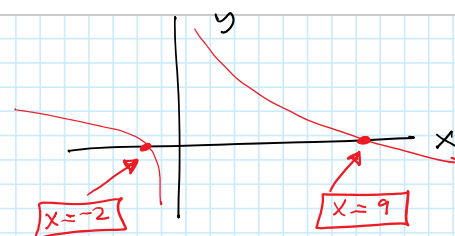
2) Collect all terms of the original equation on one side of the equals sign.

Graph this equation.

Find all of this graph's x -intercepts (zeroes)

$$\frac{3}{x} - 1 - \frac{(x-13)}{6} = 0$$

$$Y_1 = \frac{3}{x} - 1 - \frac{(x-13)}{6}$$



To try:

1a) Find the roots of this rational equation, algebraically:

(b) Verify, graphically. *you could do, like we did on the previous page)*

$$x + \frac{6}{x+2} - 5 = 0$$

NPV $x = -2$

LCD = $x+2$

$$\overbrace{(x+2)}^{\cancel{x}} \cdot x + \frac{\overbrace{(x+2)}^{\cancel{x}} \cdot 6}{\cancel{x+2}} - \overbrace{(x+2)}^{\cancel{x}} \cdot 5 = 0$$

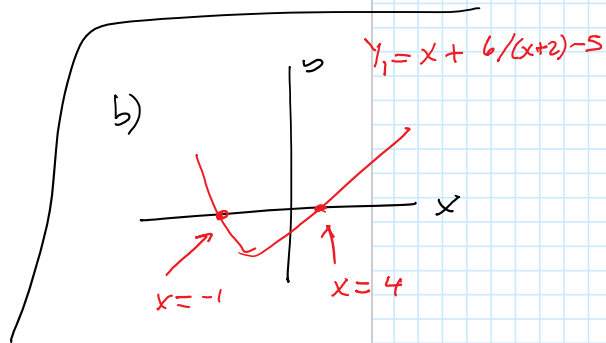
$$x^2 + 2x + 6 - 5x - 10 = 0$$

$$x^2 - 3x - 4 = 0$$

$$(x + 1)(x - 4) = 0$$

$x+1=0$
 $x=-1$

$x-4=0$
 $x=4$



2a) Find the roots of this rational equation, algebraically:

b) Verify the solution graphically.

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

NPV $x=0$ $x+3=0$
 $x=-3$

LCD = $x(x+3)$

$$x(x+3) \left(1 + \frac{2}{x} \right) = x(x+3) \left(\frac{x}{x+3} \right)$$

$$x(x+3) + 2(x+3) = x(x)$$

$$x^2 + 3x + 2x + 6 = x^2$$

$$5x + 6 = 0$$

$$\frac{5x}{5} = \frac{-6}{5}$$

$x = -\frac{6}{5}$

Example

Bert has scored 7/10 on each of five math quizzes so far this year. He really wants an "A" in his quiz bin. He is sure he can get 10/10 on every quiz for the rest of the semester.

How many more quizzes does he need to write in order to get 86% in his quiz bin?

Right now, Bert's quiz percentage = $\frac{\text{Bert's quiz pts}}{\text{total quiz pts}} = \frac{35}{50} = 0.7$ or 70%

If $x =$ number of additional quizzes written and Bert succeeds in getting 10/10 on each quiz, then

Bert's new quiz percentage = $\frac{\text{Bert's quiz total}}{\text{total quiz points total}}$
 $= \frac{35 + 10x}{50 + 10x}$

$\frac{35 + 10x}{50 + 10x} = (0.86)(50 + 10x)$ multiply by $50 + 10x$ to get rid of the fraction

$50 + 10x = 0$
 $\frac{10x}{10} = \frac{-50}{10}$
 $x = -5$
 NPV

$35 + 10x = 43 + 8.6x$
 $-8.6x$ $-8.6x$

$35 + 1.4x = 43$
 $\frac{1.4x}{1.4} = \frac{8}{1.4}$

$x = 5.714 \dots$

\Rightarrow 6 more quizzes

Check: $\frac{35 + 10x}{50 + 10x}$

Substitute $x = 6$
 $\frac{35 + 10(6)}{50 + 10(6)} = \frac{95}{110} = 0.8636 \approx 86\%$

Rational Equations and Word Problems - group worksheet

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