

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

a) Find domain, extrema, c.p. & infl. pts

Domain is $x \neq \pm 1$

$$f'(x) = \frac{-2}{(x-1)^2} = -2(x-1)^{-2}$$

$f'(x)$ DNE at $x=1$, but this isn't in domain of $f(x)$

$f'(x) = 0$ doesn't happen

No c.p., no extrema

$$f''(x) = 4(x-1)^{-3} = \frac{4}{(x-1)^3}$$

$f''(x)$ DNE at $x=1$, but this isn't in domain of $f(x)$

$f''(x) = 0$ doesn't happen

No infl. pts

b) Find VA, HA & SA

No SA

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x) = \infty, \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x) = -\infty, \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow -1} f(x) = 0$$

VA $x=1$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = 1, \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = 1 \Rightarrow \text{HA } y=1$$

c) Find incr., decr., concave \uparrow & concave \downarrow intervals

$f'(x) < 0$ on domain \Rightarrow Decr. on $(-\infty, -1) \cup (-1, 1) \cup (1, \infty)$

f'' $\frac{-}{-1} \frac{-}{1} \frac{+}{}$
x

Concave \uparrow on $(1, \infty)$

Concave \downarrow on $(-\infty, -1) \cup (-1, 1)$

d) Graph

