9.1B Rational Functions

Example 1. Given the functions $f(x)=\frac{1}{x^{2}}, g(x)=\frac{5}{(x-3)^{2}}-2$ and $h(x)=4-\frac{2}{x^{2}+6 x+9}$ and the graphs below. Explain how the graphs are related, and use your knowledge of transformations to explain this. Give the non-permissible values, behaviour near non-permissible values, domain and range, equations of any asymptotes and end behaviour.




Example 2. How does the graph of $k(x)=3-\frac{1}{2 x^{2}-20 x+50}$ compare to $f(x)=\frac{1}{x^{2}}$ ?


Example 3. The Math Department is going to print some booklets, and has price quotes from two companies

- Company A - $\$ 40$ setup fee and $\$ 2.80$ per booklet
- Company B - $\$ 75$ setup fee and $\$ 2.20$ per booklet

a) Represent the average cost per booklet for each company as a function of the number of booklets printed, and then graph the two functions.
b) Explain the characteristics of the graphs and their relation to the situation. What do the graphs show about how the average cost changes as the number of booklets printed increase?
c) How should the Math Department choose a printing company?



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