

For full credit, you must show all work and circle your final answer.

1 Use Polynomial division to find  $\frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$ . Is  $g(x)$  a factor of  $f(x)$ ?

$f(x) = x^3 + 3x^2 - x - 3$  and  $g(x) = x + 1$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x^2 + 2x - 3 \\
 x + 1 \overline{) x^3 + 3x^2 - x - 3} \\
 \underline{-x^3 - x^2} \phantom{-3} \\
 2x^2 - x \phantom{-3} \\
 \underline{-2x^2 - 2x} \phantom{-3} \\
 -3x - 3 \\
 \underline{3x + 3} \\
 0
 \end{array}$$

As there is no remainder,  $g(x)$  is a factor of  $f(x)$ . In fact this tells us  $f(x) = g(x)(x^2 + 2x - 3)$ . You can also find this by using Synthetic Division:

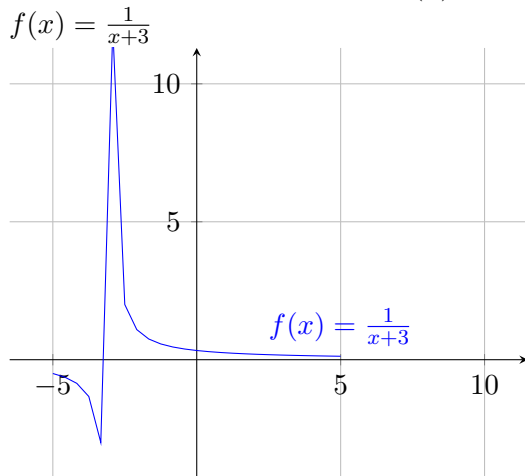
$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr}
 -1 & 1 & 3 & -1 & -3 \\
 & & -1 & -2 & 3 \\
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 & 1 & 2 & -3 & 0
 \end{array}$$

2 For the complex numbers  $x, y$  compute  $x + y, x - y, x * y$ :

$x = 2 + i$  and  $y = 3 + 4i$

$x + y = (2 + i) + (3 + 4i) = (2 + 3) + (1 + 4)i = 5 + 5i$   
 $x - y = (2 + i) - (3 + 4i) = (2 - 3) + (1 - 4)i = -1 - 3i$   
 $x * y = (2 + i)(3 + 4i) = 6 + 8i + 3i + 4(i^2) = 2 + 11i$

3 Find the vertical asymptote of  $f(x)$ , and sketch the graph. (Don't forget about the y-intercept!)



The picture here is not completely accurate, there is an asymptote at  $x = -3$ , but this is as close as I could get it in LaTeX.

There is a vertical asymptote at  $x = -3$ , since  $f(-3) = \frac{1}{-3+3} = \frac{1}{0}$ , which is undefined.

Also,  $f(0) = \frac{1}{0+3} = \frac{1}{3}$  so the  $y$  intercept is  $\frac{1}{3}$