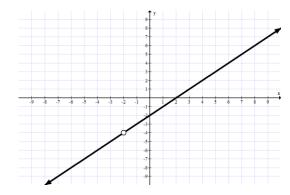
Determine where the graph of the rational function is increasing and decreasing.

$$1. \qquad f(x) = \frac{2}{x-4}$$

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

3. Describe the left-hand and right-hand side behavior of the following graph as it approaches x = -2.



For #4-7, also find common factor: \_\_\_\_ remaining function: \_\_\_\_ and RD: \_\_\_\_ AND domain: \_\_\_\_

VA: \_\_\_\_ HA: \_\_\_ y-int: \_\_\_ x-int: \_\_\_

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

5. 
$$f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 2x - 3}{x^2 + 6x + 9}$$

5. 
$$f(x) = \frac{x-4}{x^2 + 2x - 24}$$

6. 
$$f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 2x}{x^3 + 5x^2 + 6x}$$

57-64 ■ Find the slant asymptote, the vertical asymptotes, and sketch a graph of the function.

57. 
$$r(x) = \frac{x^2}{x-2}$$

**59.** 
$$r(x) = \frac{x^2 - 2x - 8}{x}$$

**61.** 
$$r(x) = \frac{x^2 + 5x + 4}{x - 3}$$

**63.** 
$$r(x) = \frac{x^3 + x^2}{x^2 - 4}$$