

Shifting Curves II

$y = kf(x)$ $k > 1$, curve is steeper

OR $0 < k < 1$, curve is shallower

$\frac{y}{k} = f(x)$ (*curve is stretched vertically*)
domain unchanged, range altered

$y = f(kx)$ $k > 1$, curve is steeper

$0 < k < 1$, curve is shallower

(*curve is stretched horizontally*)
domain altered, range unchanged

$y = \frac{1}{f(x)}$

x intercepts \Rightarrow asymptotes

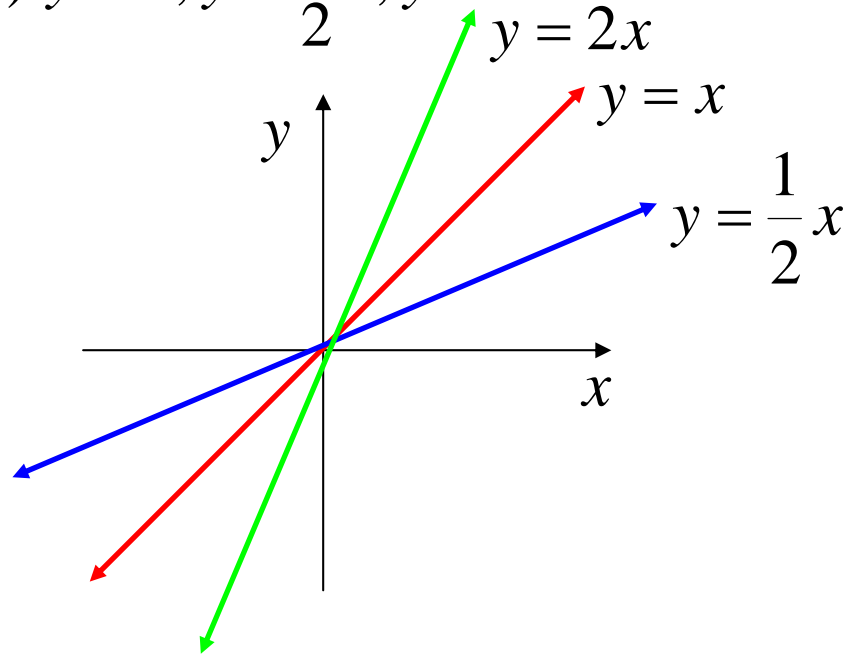
asymptotes \Rightarrow x intercepts

$y > 1 \Rightarrow y < 1$

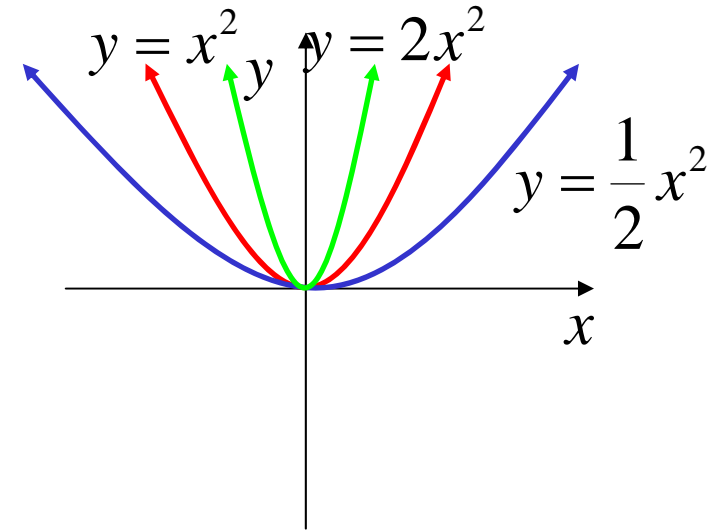
$y < 1 \Rightarrow y > 1$

e.g. (i) on one graph draw

a) $y = x, y = \frac{1}{2}x, y = 2x$



b) $y = x^2, y = \frac{1}{2}x^2, y = 2x^2$

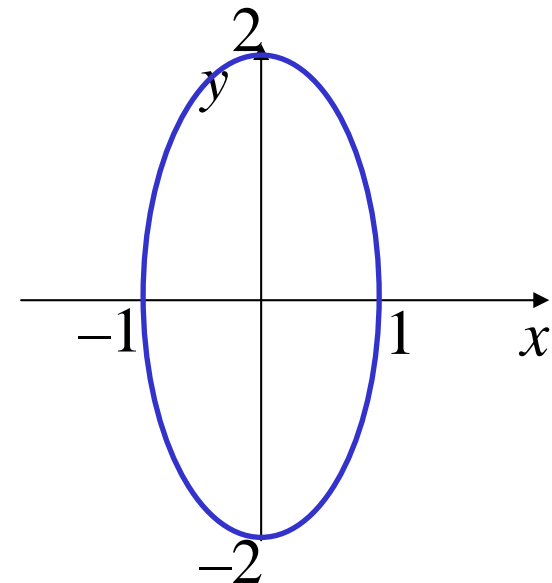


(ii) Sketch $x^2 + \frac{y^2}{4} = 1$

1. *basic curve*: $x^2 + y^2 = 1$

2. $\frac{y^2}{4} = \left(\frac{y}{2}\right)^2, \therefore k = 2$

stretch vertically by a factor of 2



$$(iii) y = \frac{1}{2-x^2}$$

1. *basic curve*: $y = x^2$

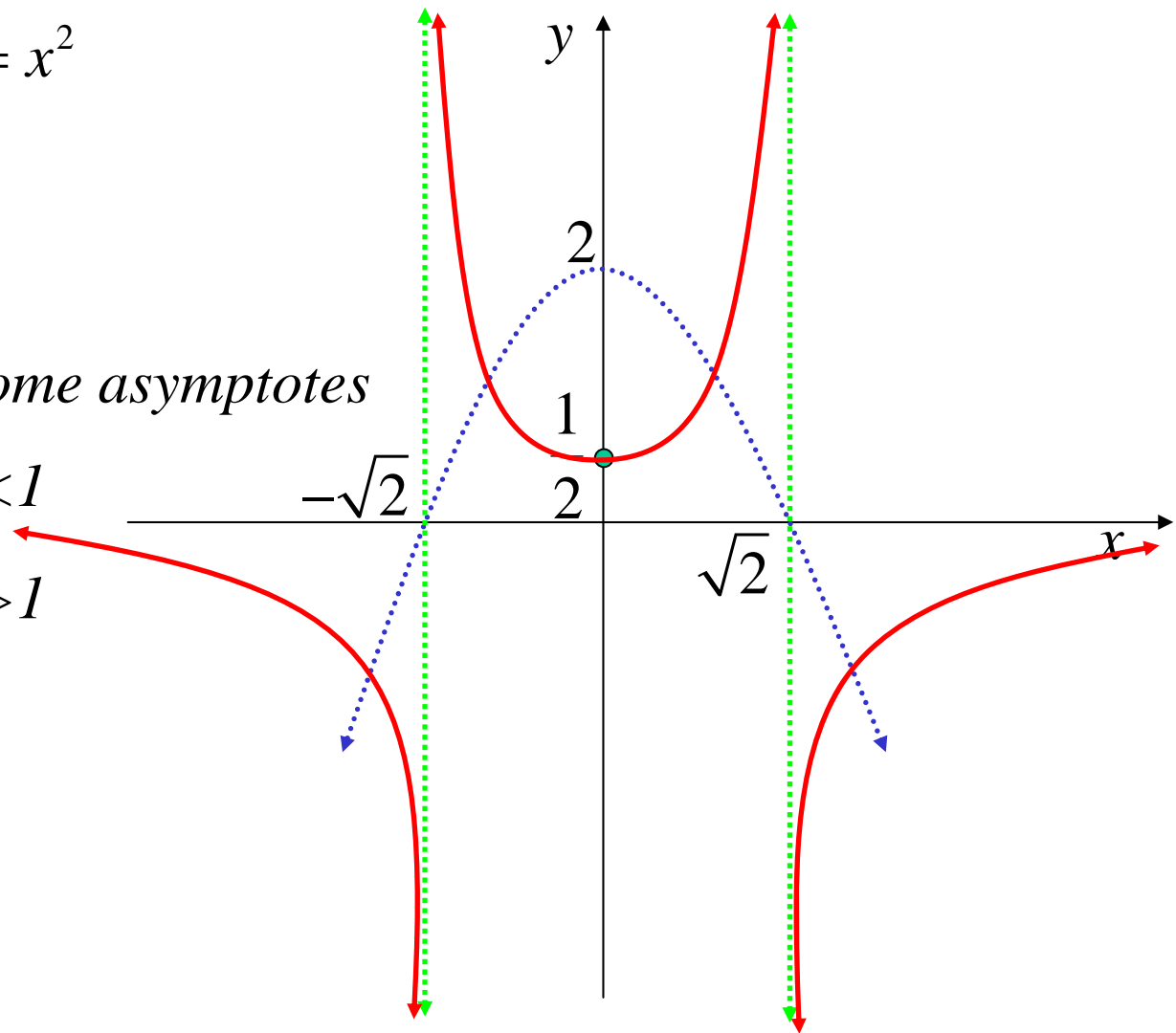
2. *reflect in x axis*

3. *shift up 2 units*

4. *x intercepts become asymptotes*

5. $y > 1$ become $y < 1$

6. $y < 1$ become $y > 1$



$$(iv) y = x + \frac{1}{x}$$

1. draw the basic curves :

$$y = x \text{ and } y = \frac{1}{x}$$

2. add the y values together

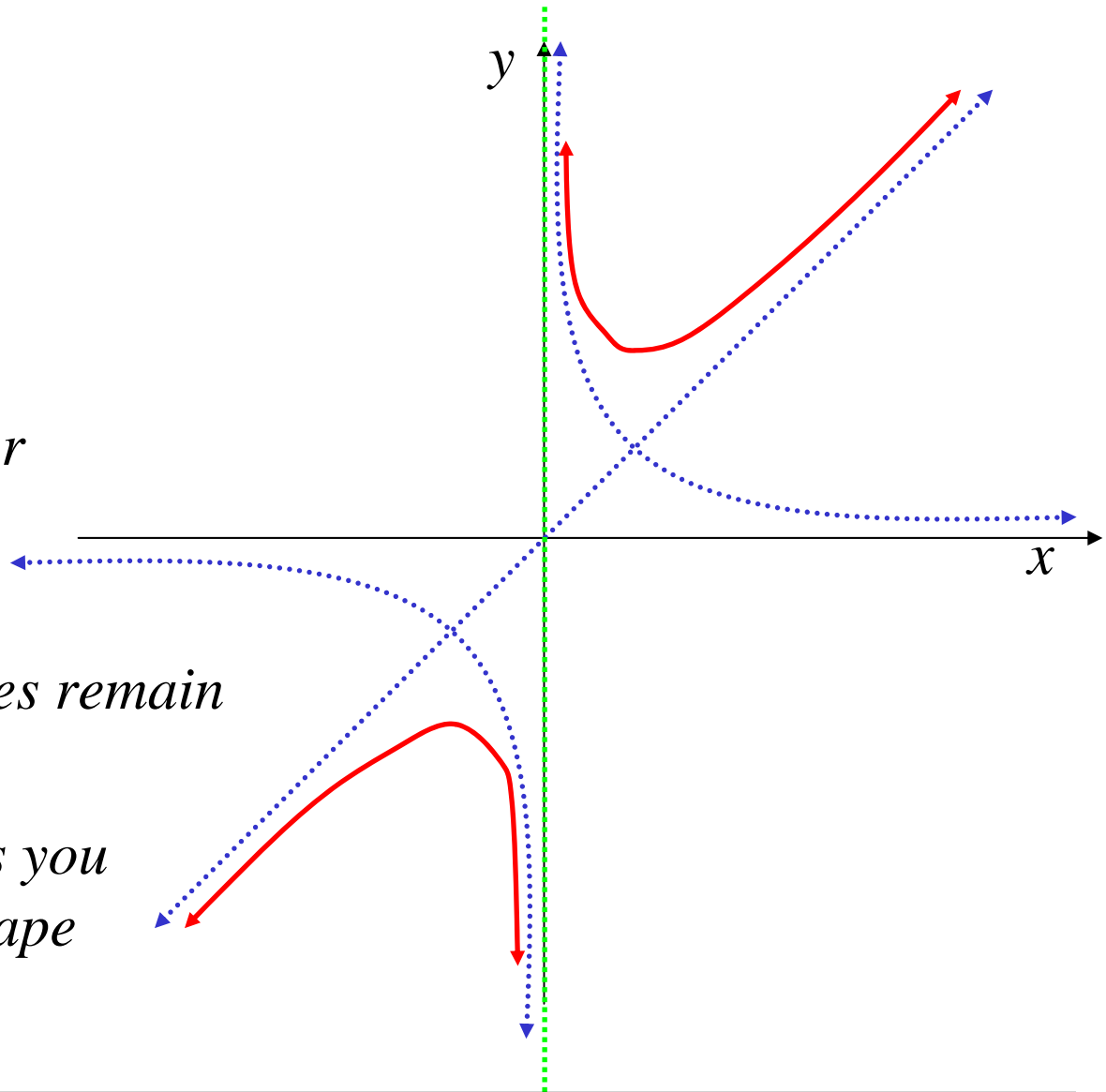
* choose key points first

- x intercepts

note: vertical asymptotes remain

- points of intersection

- as many other points as you need to work out the shape



Exercise 2J: 1, 2a, 3b, 4c, 5ac, 6b, 7ac, 8, 9