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### Example

Solve the inequality  $\frac{x}{x+2} \leq 3$ .

### Solution

$$\frac{x}{x+2} \leq 3$$

$$\frac{x}{x+2} - 3 \leq 0$$

$$\frac{x}{x+2} - \frac{3(x+2)}{x+2} \leq 0$$

$$\frac{x - 3(x+2)}{x+2} \leq 0$$

$$\frac{-2x - 6}{x+2} \leq 0$$

Zeros numerator  $-2x - 6 = 0$

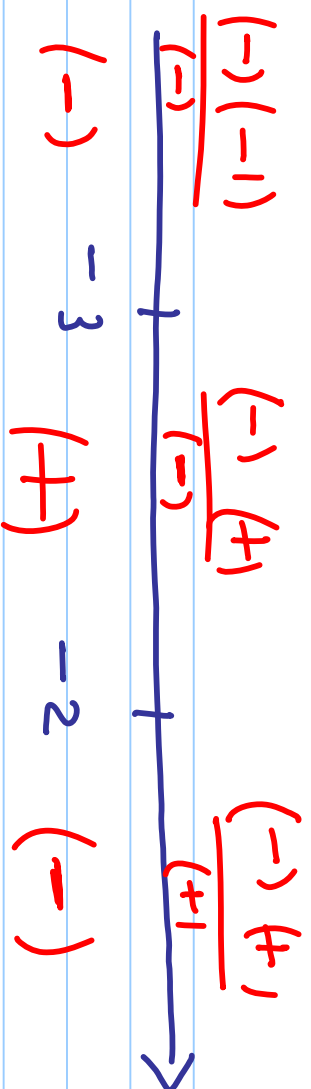
$$-2x = 6$$

$$\boxed{x = -3}$$

denominator  $x+2 = 0$

$$x = -2$$

$$\frac{-2(x+3)}{x+2}$$



$$\frac{-2x-6}{x+2} \leq 0$$

$$(-\infty, -3) \cup (-2, \infty)$$

Include the end point  $x = -3$

$$[-\infty, -3] \cup (-2, \infty)$$

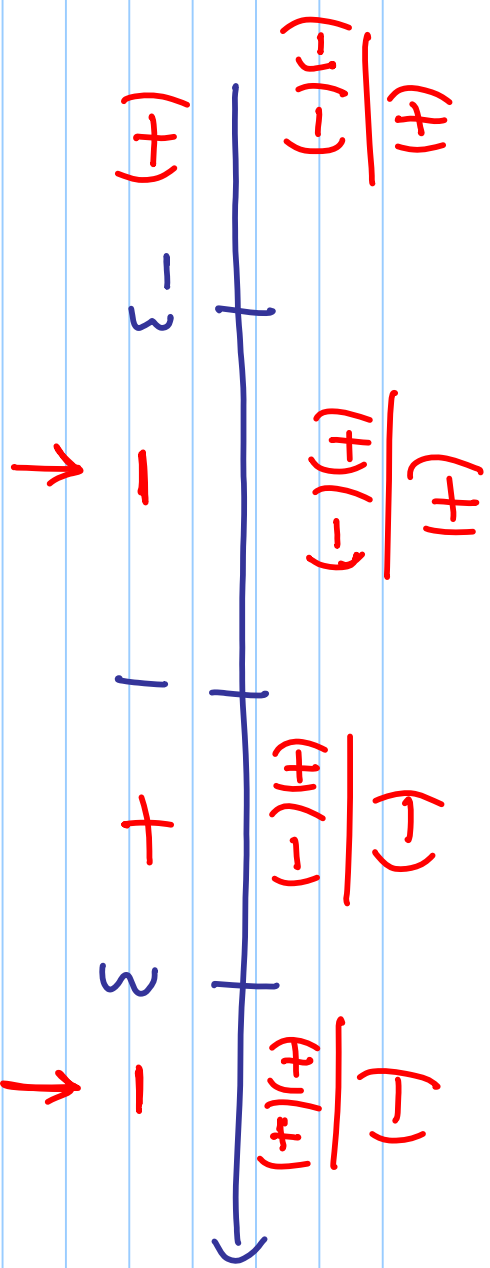
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$$\frac{1-x}{x^2-9} \leq 0$$

Zeros: Numerator  $1-x = 0$   
 $1 = x$

Denominator:  $x^2 - 9 = 0$   
 $(x+3)(x-3) = 0$   
 $x = \pm 3$

$$\frac{1-x}{(x+3)(x-3)} \leq 0$$



$$(-3, 1) \cup (3, \infty)$$

Endpoints?  $x = \pm 3$

$$(-3, 1] \cup (3, \infty)$$

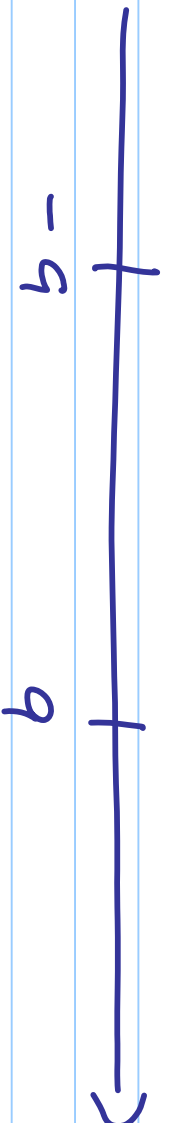
$$\#23] \quad t^2 < 81$$

$$t^2 - 81 < 0$$

$$\text{Zeros: } t^2 - 81 = 0$$

$$(t - 9)(t + 9) = 0$$

$$t = 9 \quad \vee \quad t = -9$$



$$\#15] \quad x^2 - 4x - 6 < 6$$

$$x^2 - 4x - 6 < 0$$

$$\text{Zeros:} \quad x^2 - 4x - 6 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$= \frac{-(-4) \pm \sqrt{(-4)^2 - 4(1)(-6)}}{2(1)}$$

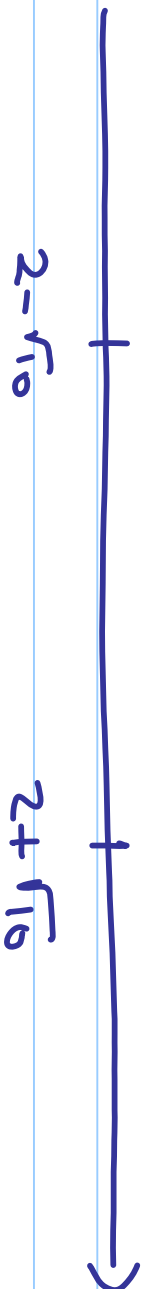
$$= \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{16 + 24}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{40}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{4 \pm 2\sqrt{10}}{2}$$

$$= 2 \pm \sqrt{10}$$

$$x = 2 + \sqrt{10} \quad \vee \quad x = 2 - \sqrt{10}$$





## 1.7 Absolute Value Equations

### Example

$$|x-3| = 8$$

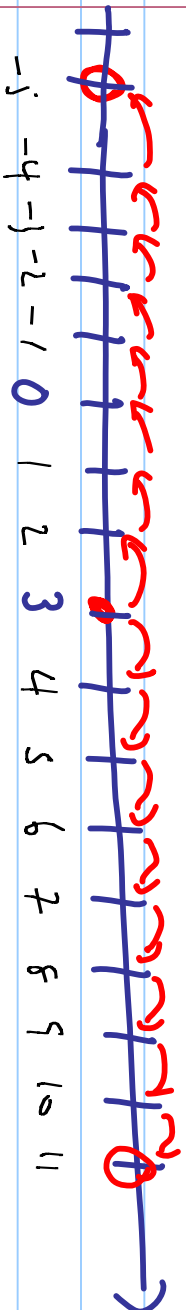
algebraically:  $|x-3| = 8$

definition  $x-3 = -8$  or  $x-3 = 8$

$$x = -5 \quad \text{or} \quad x = 11$$

The solution set  $\{-5, 11\}$ .

graphically:



Example

$$|1 - 3x| = 7$$

either

$$1 - 3x = -7$$

$$-3x = -8$$

$$x = \frac{8}{3}$$

or

$$1 - 3x = 7$$

$$-3x = 6$$

$$x = -2$$

$$\{-2, \frac{8}{3}\}$$

## Example

Solve  $|1 - 3x| = -7$  Absolute can never be negative

So NO SOLUTION

## Example

$$|5 - x^2| = 1$$

$$5 - x^2 = 1$$

or

$$5 - x^2 = -1$$

$$-x^2 = -4$$

$$-x^2 = -6$$

$$x^2 = 4$$

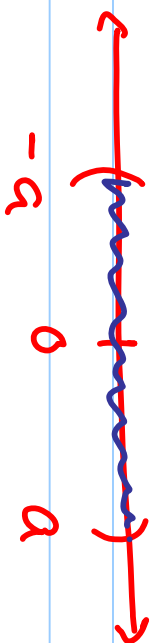
$$x^2 = 6$$

$$x = \pm 2$$

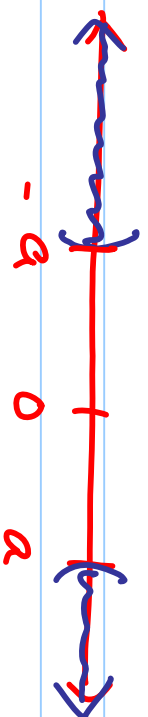
$$x = \pm \sqrt{6}$$

Solution set  $\{ \pm 2, \pm \sqrt{6} \}$

$$|x| < a$$



$$|x| > a$$



Solve  $|3x - 2| \leq 7$

$$|3x - 2| \leq 7$$

$$-7 \leq 3x - 2 \leq 7$$

Add 2 to each part

$$-5 \leq 3x \leq 9$$

divide by 3

$$-\frac{5}{3} \leq x \leq 3$$

Solution

$$\left[-\frac{5}{3}, 3\right]$$

## Example

$$|1 - 2x| > 5$$

$$1 - 2x < -5$$

or

$$1 - 2x > 5$$

$$-2x < -6$$

$$-2x > +4$$

$$x > 3$$

$$x < -2$$

$$(-\infty, -2) \cup (3, \infty)$$