

MAT 1320 E

Fall 2021

Lecture 1

How it all started



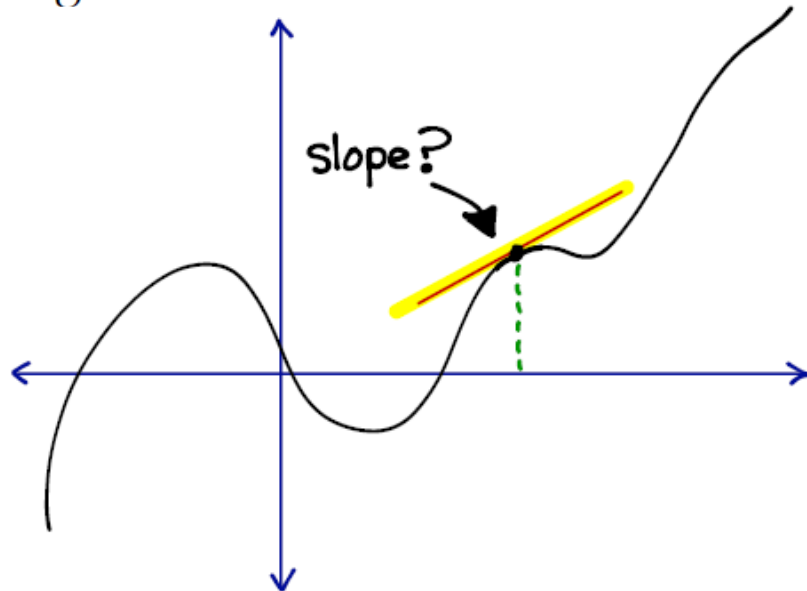
Calculus was developed in the mid seventeenth century at about the same time by two scientists: Sir Isaac Newton and Gottfried Leibniz.



The idea was to develop general solutions to two problems posed by the Greeks:

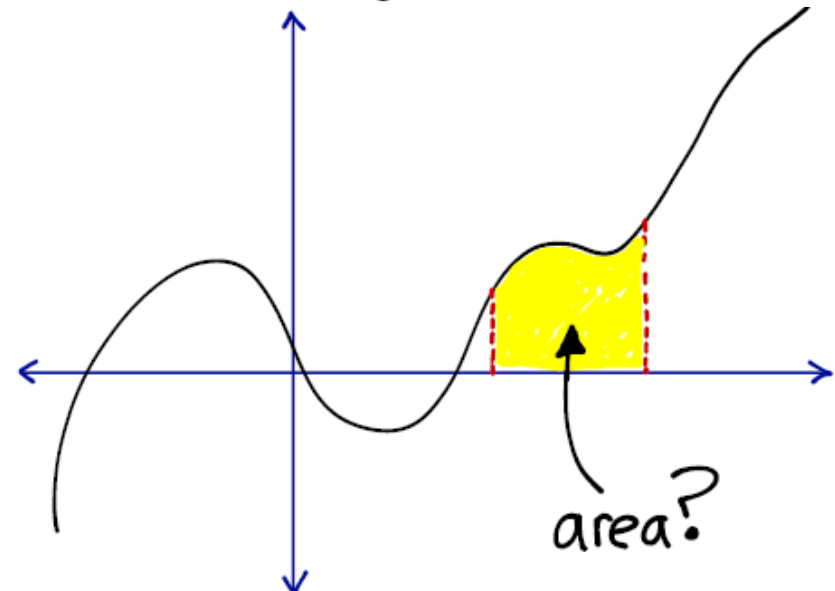
Differential Calculus (about 2/3 of MAT1320)

Goal: find the slope of a tangent at any point on a given function



Integral Calculus (about 1/3 of MAT1320)

Goal: find the area bounded by a function and the x -axis over a given interval



FUNCTIONS AND CONCEPTS

Definition: A **function** f is a rule between two sets, called the **domain** and the **range**, that assigns to each element x in the domain **exactly one** element, called $f(x)$, in the range.

When we write $y = f(x)$, we are saying that:

1. x is the independent variable, which is an element of the domain $\mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$, where \mathbb{R} is the set of all real numbers
2. $f(x)$ is the value of function f at x .
3. y is the dependent variable, which is an element of the range $\mathcal{R} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$, where \mathbb{R} is the set of all real numbers



Question: Which of the following relations are functions (why? Or why not?)

- A. $y = \pi x^2$
- B. $y^2 = 4x$
- C. $y = \sqrt{|x|}$
- D. $x^2 + y^2 = 4$

Answer: A and C are functions, since they satisfy the definition of a function.

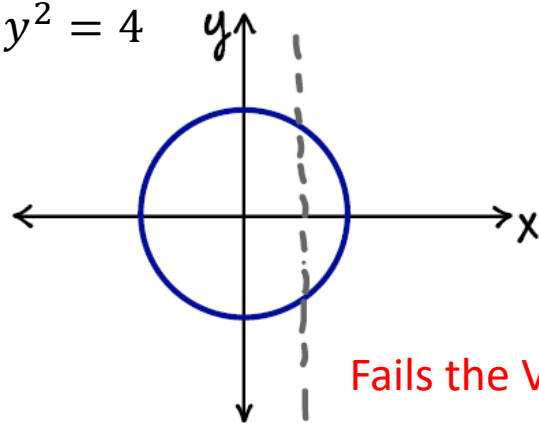
B and D are not functions, since for each value of x there are two corresponding values of y .

The **graph** of $y = f(x)$ consists of all ordered pairs (coordinates) $(x, f(x))$ such that x belongs to the domain of f .

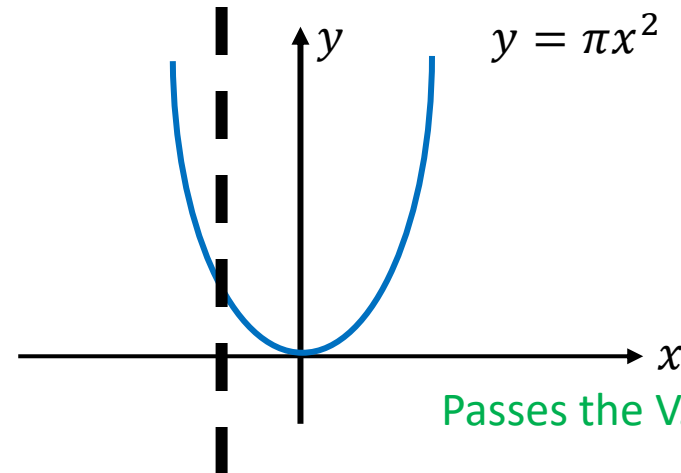
**Vertical
Line Test:
(V.L.T.)**

Actually, any equation in 2 variables can be represented by some curve in the xy -plane, but not every 2-dimensional curve corresponds to the graph of a **function!** The graph of a function must pass the Vertical Line Test.

$$x^2 + y^2 = 4$$



Fails the V.L.T.



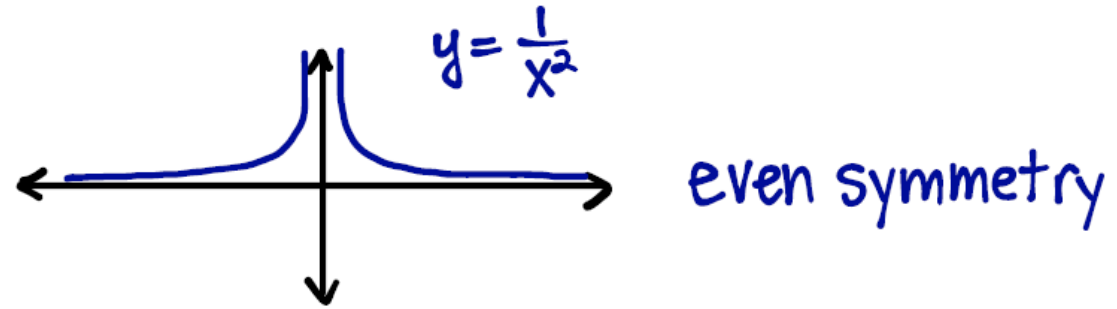
Passes the V.L.T.

SYMMETRY AND PERIODICITY OF FUNCTIONS

Even Functions: If $f(-x) = f(x)$ for every x in the domain of f , then f is called an **even** function.

Ex. $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2}$ is even.

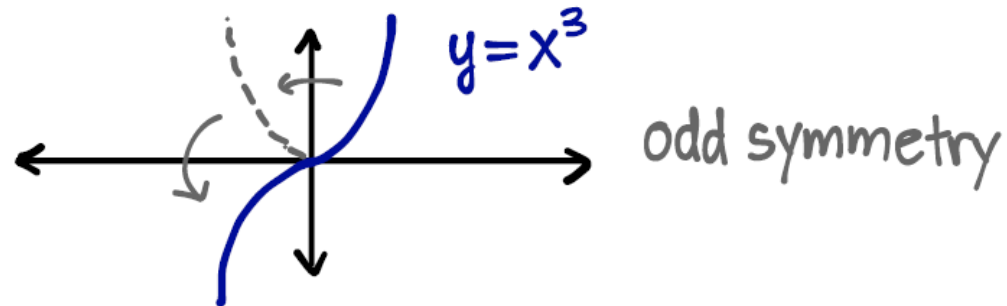
$$f(-x) = \frac{1}{(-x)^2} = \frac{1}{x^2} = f(x)$$



Odd Functions: If $f(-x) = -f(x)$ for every x in the domain of f , then f is called an **odd** function.

Ex. $g(x) = x^3$ is odd.

$$g(-x) = (-x)^3 = -x^3 = -g(x)$$



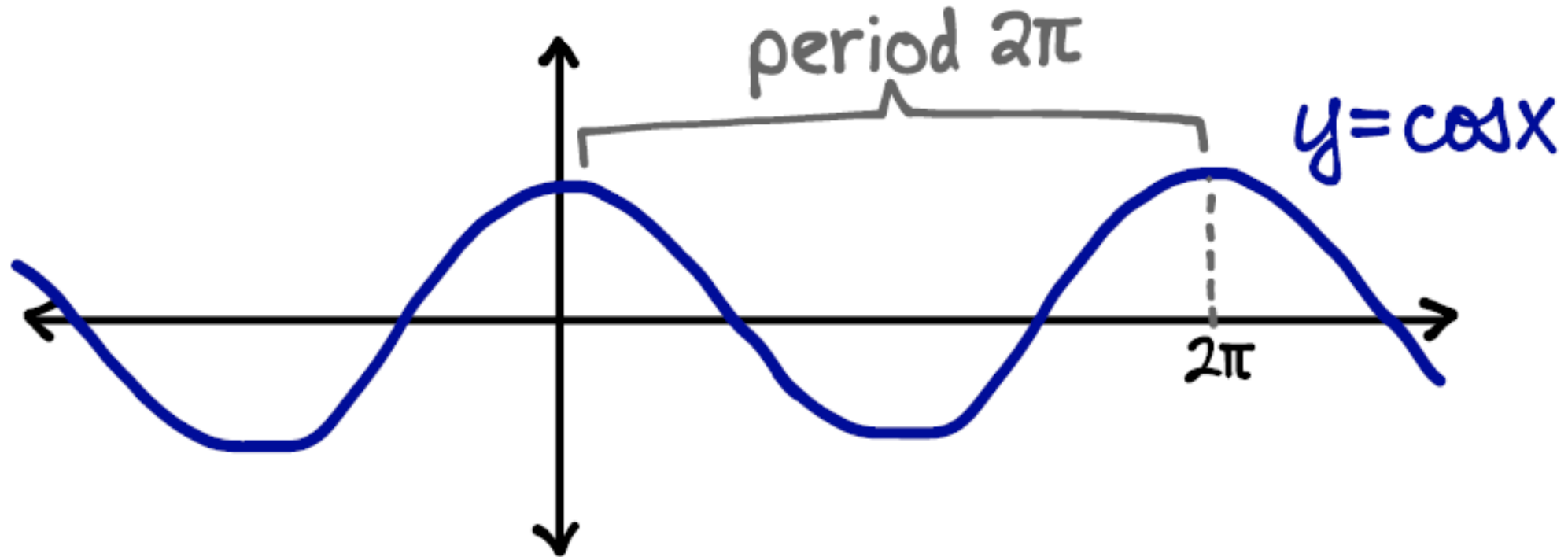
**Periodic
Functions:**

If there exists a positive constant p such that $f(x + p) = f(x)$ for every x in the domain of f , then f is called a **periodic** function. The smallest such constant p is called the **period**.

Ex $y = \cos x$ is periodic

$$\cos(x + 2\pi) = \cos(x)$$

for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$



TRANSFORMATIONS

Let $y = f(x)$ be a function and let k be a positive real number.

Horizontal Shifts:

- The graph of $f(x - k)$ shifts the graph of $f(x)$ to the right k units.
 - The graph of $f(x + k)$ shifts the graph of $f(x)$ to the left k units.
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Vertical Shifts:

- The graph of $f(x) + k$ shifts the graph of $f(x)$ up k units.
 - The graph of $f(x) - k$ shifts the graph of $f(x)$ down k units.
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Reflections:

- The graph of $-f(x)$ reflects the graph of $f(x)$ about the x -axis.
 - The graph of $f(-x)$ reflects the graph of $f(x)$ about the y -axis.
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Vertical Scaling:

- The graph of $kf(x)$ stretches the graph of $f(x)$ vertically by a factor of k .

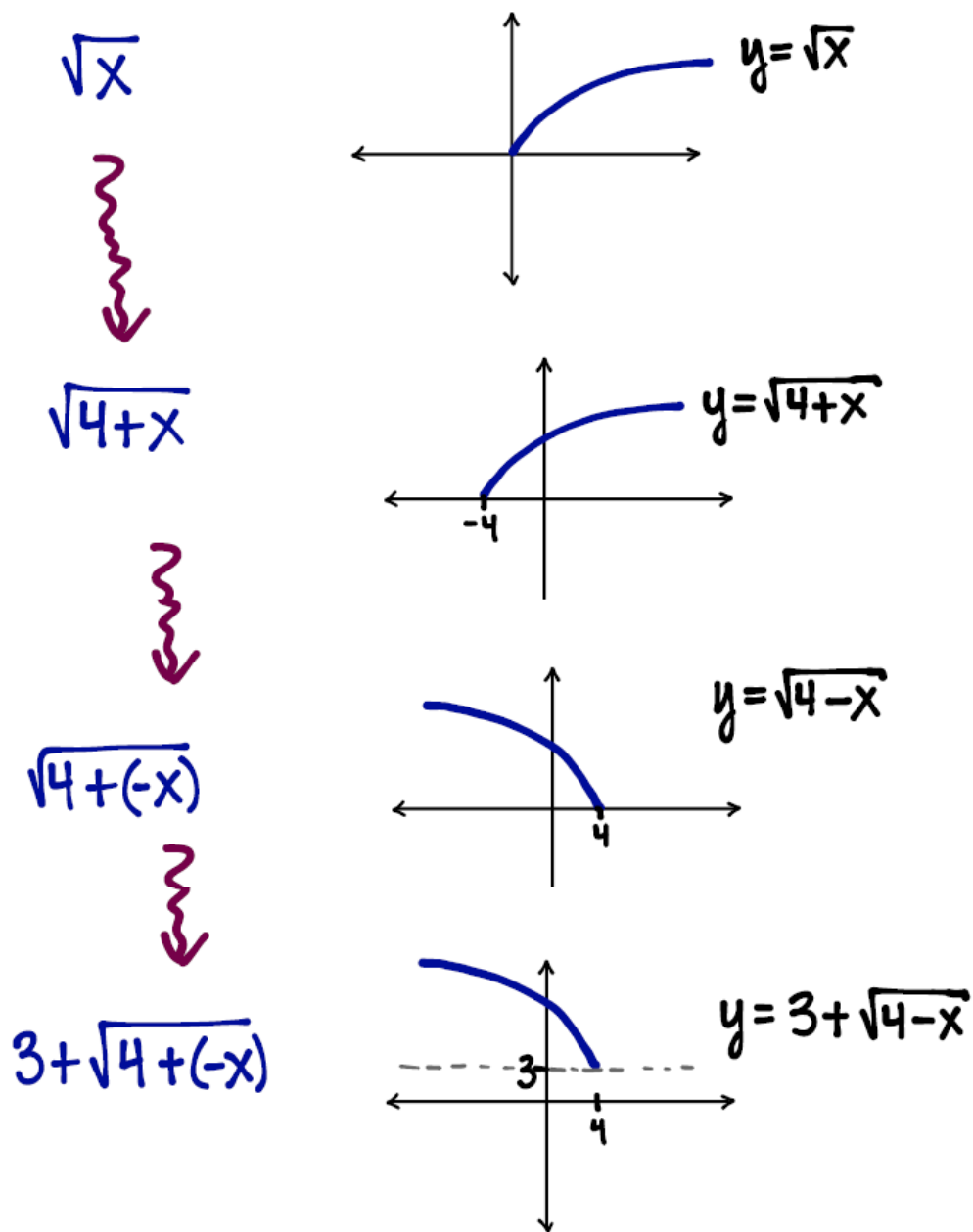
Note. Stretching vertically by a factor of k is the same as compressing vertically by a factor of $\frac{1}{k}$. Think about what it means if $0 < k < 1$.

Horizontal Scaling:

- The graph of $f(kx)$ compresses the graph of $f(x)$ horizontally by a factor of k .

Note. Compressing horizontally by a factor of k is the same as stretching horizontally by a factor of $\frac{1}{k}$. Think about what it means if $0 < k < 1$.

Example 1.2. Sketch the graph of $f(x) = 3 + \sqrt{4 - x}$ using transformations; start from $y = \sqrt{x}$.



$\sqrt{4+x}$ is a horizontal shift of \sqrt{x} 4 units left

$\sqrt{4+(-x)}$ is a reflection of $\sqrt{4+x}$ about y-axis

$3 + \sqrt{4-x}$ is a vertical shift of $\sqrt{4-x}$ 3 units up

INCREASING / DECREASING

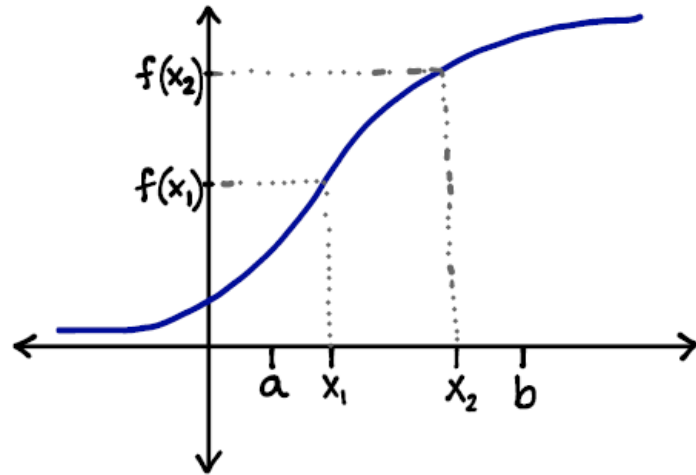
Let I be some interval of the real number line.

A function $y = f(x)$ is called...

- **increasing** on the interval I if

$$f(x_1) < f(x_2)$$

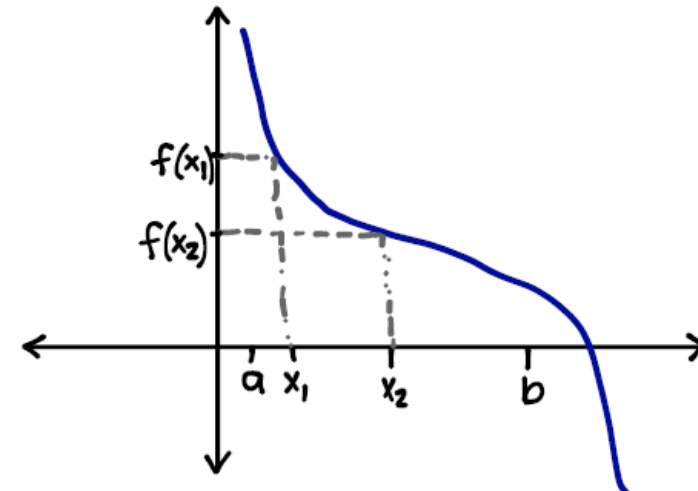
whenever $x_1 < x_2$ and $x_1, x_2 \in I$



- **decreasing** on the interval I if

$$f(x_1) > f(x_2)$$

whenever $x_1 < x_2$ and $x_1, x_2 \in I$



Ex. $I = [a, b]$

CATALOGUE OF IMPORTANT FUNCTIONS: LINEAR FUNCTIONS

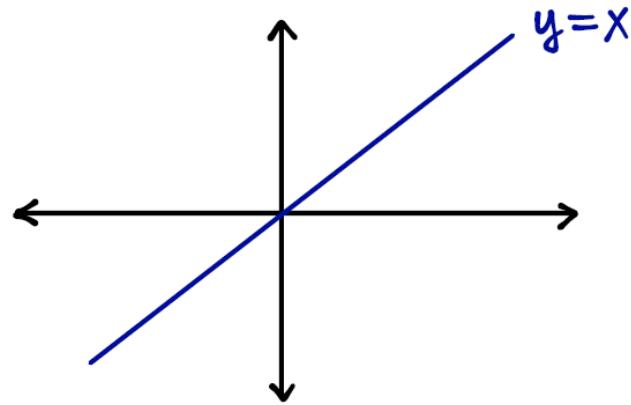
Linear
Functions:

$$y = mx + b$$

Slope
 $m = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = \frac{\text{rise}}{\text{run}}$

y-intercept
@ (0, b)

Ex



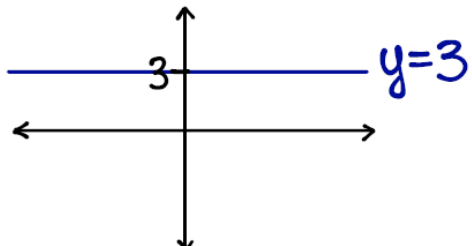
domain: \mathbb{R}

range: • \mathbb{R} if $m \neq 0$
• $\{b\}$ if $m = 0$

Horizontal Line. $y = b$ (constant function)

- slope is $m = 0$
- domain: \mathbb{R}
- range: $\{b\}$

Ex

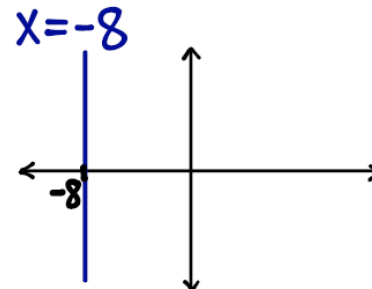


Vertical Line. $x = a$

x-intercept

- slope is undefined
- a vertical line is not actually a function (definitely fails Vertical Line Test!)

Ex



CATALOGUE OF IMPORTANT FUNCTIONS: POLYNOMIALS

Polynomials: $P(x) = c_n x^n + c_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + c_1 x + c_0$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$

- **Coefficients** of $P(x)$: $c_0, c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n \in \mathbb{R}$.
- **Degree** of $P(x)$ is the largest n such that $c_n \neq 0$.
- **Domain** of any polynomial function $P(x)$ is \mathbb{R} .
- The **roots** of $P(x)$ are all $x \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $P(x) = 0$.

degree 0: $P(x) = c_0$ ($y = b$)
↑
horizontal line

(Constant Functions)

degree 1: $P(x) = c_1 x + c_0$ ($y = mx + b$)
↑
line of slope c_1

(Linear Functions)

degree 2: $P(x) = c_2x^2 + c_1x + c_0$

(Quadratic Functions)

or $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$

• if $a > 0$, parabola opens up. \cup

\Rightarrow range = all real numbers at or above the vertex of the parabola

• if $a < 0$, parabola opens down \cap

\Rightarrow range = all real numbers at or below the vertex of the parabola

• coordinates of vertex: $\left(\frac{-b}{2a}, f\left(\frac{-b}{2a}\right)\right)$

• quadratic can have 0, 1, or 2 (real) roots

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

← the Quadratic Equation

Exercise 1.3. The height $h(t)$ (in metres) of a ball t seconds after it has been thrown up from an initial height of h_0 m above the ground, with an initial velocity of v_0 m/s, is given by the equation

$$h(t) = -4.9t^2 + v_0t + h_0 \quad [\text{on Earth where gravity} = -9.8 \text{ m/s}^2]$$

If the ball is dropped from an initial height of 49 m, sketch the graph of ball's height as a function of time. How many seconds does it take for the ball to reach the ground?

ball dropped $\Rightarrow v_0 = 0$ m/s from 49m $\Rightarrow h_0 = 49$ m

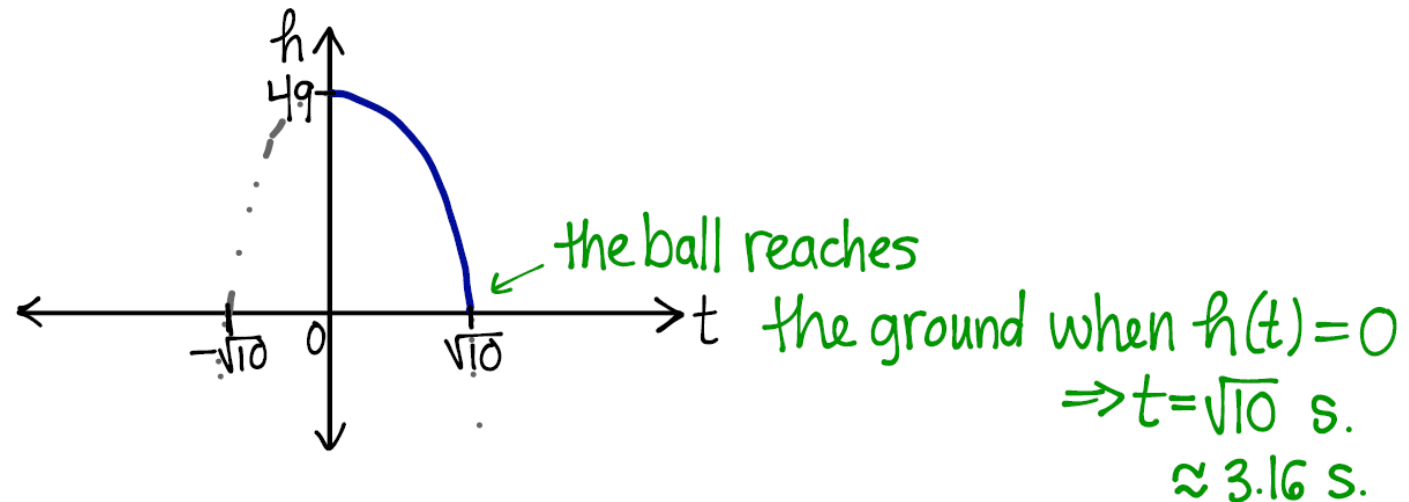
$$h(t) = -4.9t^2 + 49$$

roots: $0 = -4.9t^2 + 49$

$$0 = -4.9(t^2 - 10)$$

$$0 = -4.9(t + \sqrt{10})(t - \sqrt{10})$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \swarrow & & \searrow \\ t = -\sqrt{10} & & t = \sqrt{10} \end{array}$$

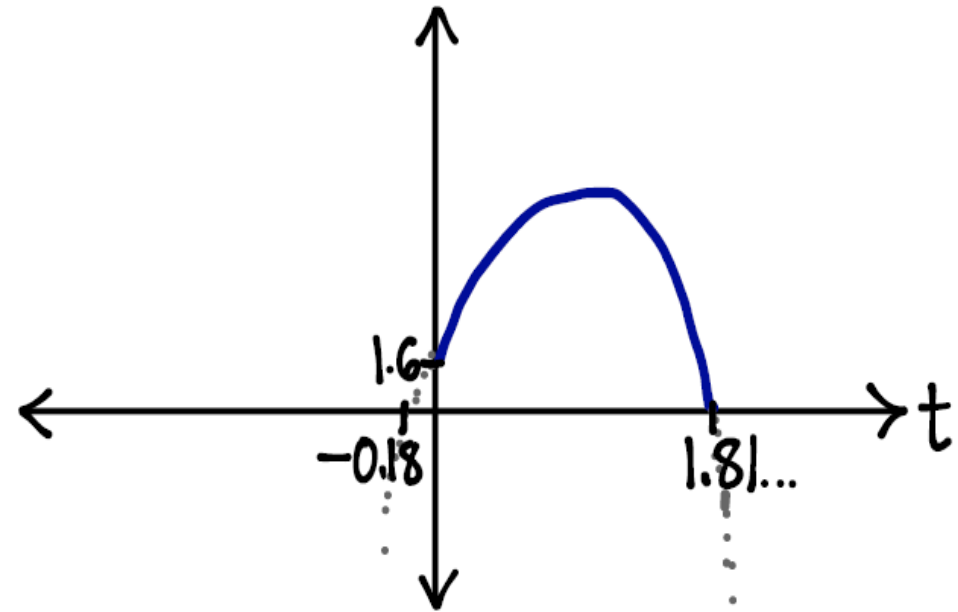


How long until the ball reaches the ground if the ball is thrown upward with an initial velocity of 8 m/s, from an initial height of 1.6 m above the ground?

$$V_0 = 8 \text{ m/s} \quad h_0 = 1.6 \text{ m}$$

$$h(t) = -4.9t^2 + 8t + 1.6$$

roots:
$$t = \frac{-8 \pm \sqrt{8^2 - 4(-4.9)(1.6)}}{2(-4.9)}$$
$$\Rightarrow t \approx -0.18 \text{ s} \text{ or } t \approx 1.81 \text{ s}$$

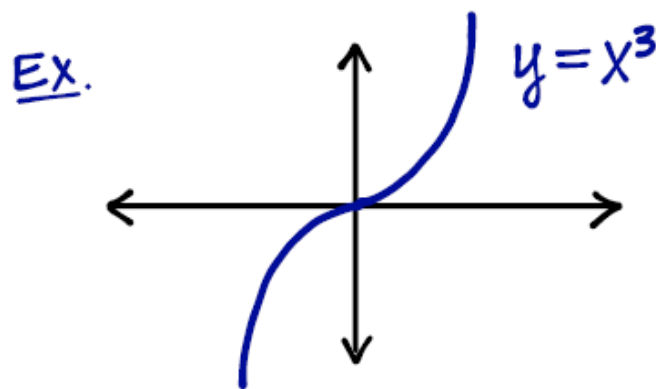


It takes the ball approximately 1.81 seconds to reach the ground.

degree 3: $f(x) = ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d$, $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R}$, $a \neq 0$ (Cubic Functions)

- domain \mathbb{R}
- range \mathbb{R}
- cubic can have 1, 2, or 3 (real) roots

Just like there's a quadratic equation, there is also a Cubic Equation.



The Cubic Equation for finding the roots of $f(x) = ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d$:

Let

$$\Delta = 18abcd - 4b^3d + b^2c^2 - 4ac^3 - 27a^2d^2$$

$$\Delta_0 = b^2 - 3ac$$

$$\Delta_1 = 2b^3 - 9abc + 27a^2d$$

$$C = \sqrt[3]{\frac{\Delta_1 \pm \sqrt{\Delta_1^2 - 4\Delta_0^3}}{2}}$$

$$\zeta = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i$$

Then the roots of $f(x) = ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d$ are given by

$$x_k = -\frac{1}{3a} \left(b + \zeta^k C + \frac{\Delta_0}{\zeta^k C} \right) \quad \text{for } k = 0, 1, 2$$

In fact, if $\Delta > 0$, then f has 3 distinct real roots.

If $\Delta = 0$, then f has a multiple root and all its roots are real.

If $\Delta < 0$, then f has 1 real root, and 2 imaginary roots (which are complex conjugates of each other).

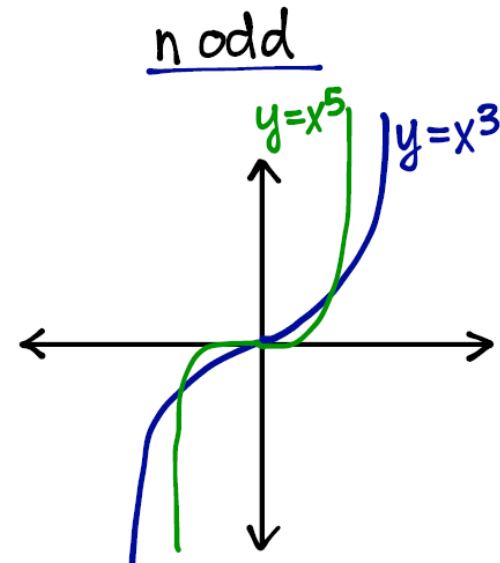
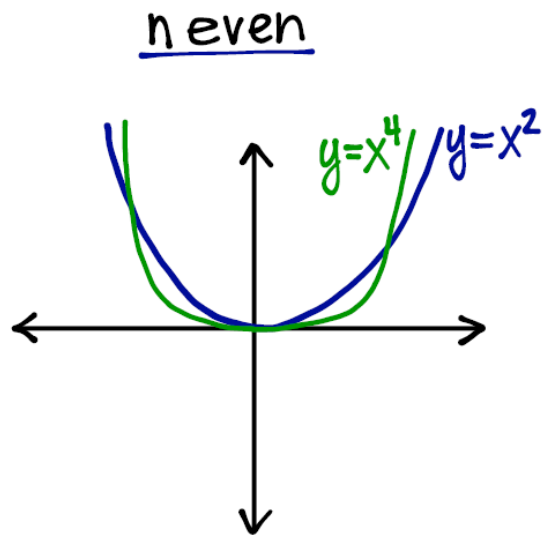
CATALOGUE OF IMPORTANT FUNCTIONS: POWER FUNCTIONS

Power
Functions:

$$f(x) = x^a \quad \text{where } a \text{ is a constant}$$

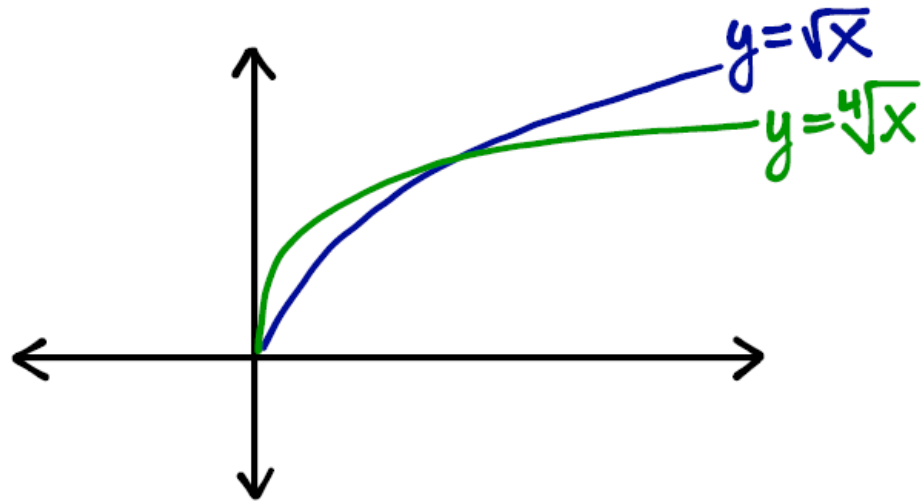
$a = n$ where n is a positive integer: $f(x) = x^n$ where n is a positive integer

- domain: $(-\infty, \infty)$

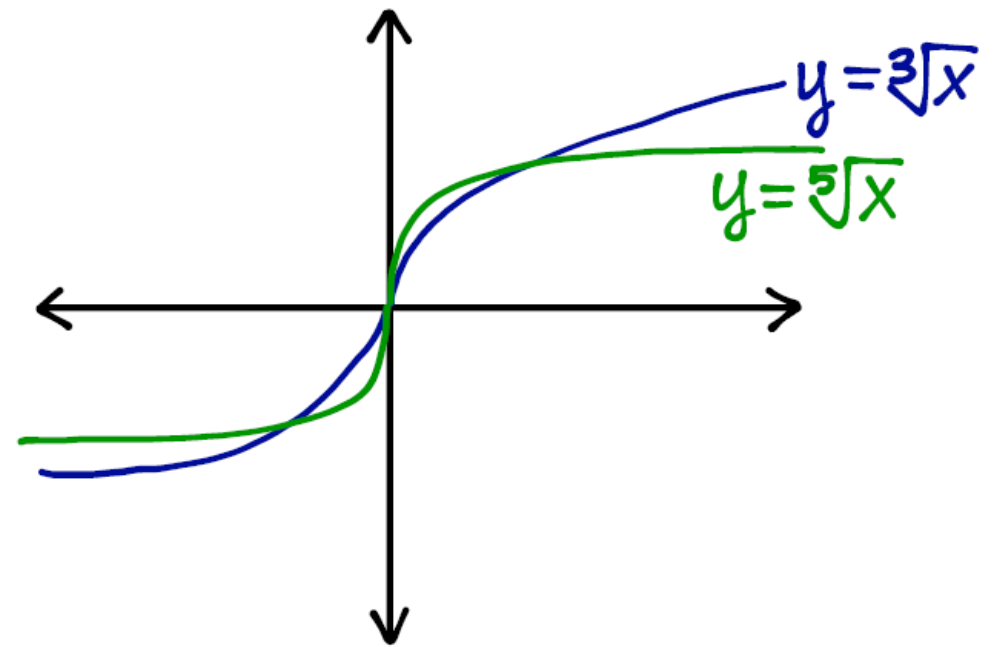


$a = \frac{1}{n}$ where n is a positive integer: $f(x) = x^{1/n} = \sqrt[n]{x}$

n even
↳ domain: $[0, \infty)$



n odd
↳ domain: $(-\infty, \infty)$



CATALOGUE OF IMPORTANT FUNCTIONS: RATIONAL FUNCTIONS

Rational Functions:

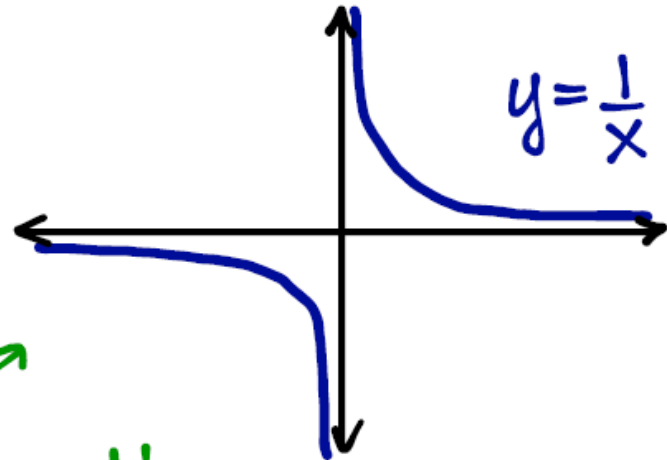
$$f(x) = \frac{P(x)}{Q(x)}$$

$P(x)$ and $Q(x)$ are polynomials

$Q(x) \neq 0$ ($Q(x)$ is not the constant function $y=0$)

- domain: all real #s except the root(s) (if any) of $Q(x)$

Ex.



$y = \frac{1}{x}$ ← numerator is polynomial of degree 0
← denominator is polynomial of degree 1

For $y = \frac{1}{x}$, domain is $\{x \in \mathbb{R} : x \neq 0\}$

In interval notation, domain is $(-\infty, 0) \cup (0, \infty)$

note. $y = \frac{1}{x}$ has odd symmetry

Example 1.5. Find the domain of $g(x) = \frac{-x^2 - 4x + 5}{x^2 - 1}$. Does the graph of g have any holes or vertical asymptotes?

$$g(x) = \frac{-x^2 - 4x + 5}{x^2 - 1} = \frac{-x^2 - 4x + 5}{(x+1)(x-1)}$$

denom. = 0 when $x = -1$ or $x = 1$

domain of $g = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x \neq \pm 1\}$

In interval notation,

$$\text{domain of } g = (-\infty, -1) \cup (-1, 1) \cup (1, \infty)$$

If we factor the numerator of g , we get

$$g(x) = \frac{-(x+5)(x-1)}{(x+1)(x-1)}$$

← If x is any real # except 1, then these two factors are nonzero and can be cancelled
⇒ everywhere except at $x=1$, $g(x)$ looks like $y = \frac{-(x+5)}{(x+1)}$

Note. $g(x) \neq \frac{-(x+5)}{(x+1)}$

compare the domains of $g(x)$ and $y = \frac{-(x+5)}{(x+1)}$

⇒ g has a hole at $x=1$ and g has a vertical asymptote at $x=-1$

CATALOGUE OF IMPORTANT FUNCTIONS: ALGEBRAIC FUNCTIONS

Algebraic Functions: constructed by combining polynomials using "algebraic" operations

$$+, -, \times, \div, \sqrt[n]{\quad}$$

• can be weird...

• domain depends on roots and denominators...

Ex. $h(x) = x^{2/3}(x-2)^2$

Ex. all rational functions are algebraic

Example 1.6. Find the domain of $g(x) = \sqrt[4]{x^2 - 25}$.

← what's inside the root

for an even root function, we need the radicand to be ≥ 0 .

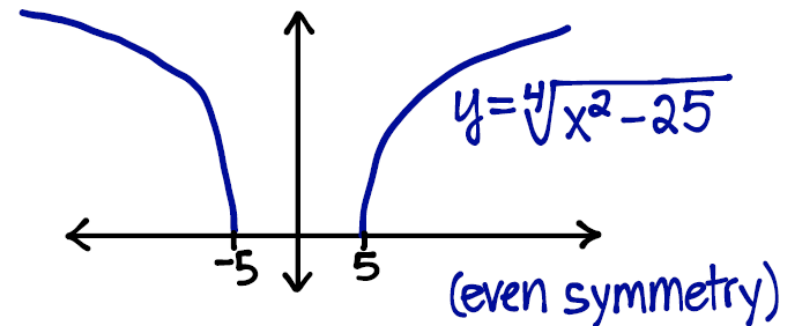
$$\Rightarrow \text{need } x^2 - 25 \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 \geq 25$$

$$\Rightarrow |x| \geq 5$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, -5] \cup [5, \infty)$$

$$\therefore \text{domain of } g = (-\infty, -5] \cup [5, \infty)$$



Exercise 1.7. Find the domain of $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3 - \frac{2}{x}}} + x^5 - \sqrt{2}$.

We need the radicand $3 - \frac{2}{x} > 0$ and for the fraction $\frac{2}{x}$, we need $x \neq 0$.

to solve the inequality $3 > \frac{2}{x}$ there are 2 cases we need to consider:

Case 1

$$x > 0$$

$$\text{So } 3 > \frac{2}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x > 2$$

$$\Rightarrow x > \frac{2}{3}$$

(and $x > 0$)

Case 2

$$x < 0$$

$$\text{So } 3 > \frac{2}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x < 2$$

$$\Rightarrow x < \frac{2}{3}$$

(and $x < 0$)

(multiply both sides of inequality by a negative # \Rightarrow inequality flips)

∴ domain of f is $(-\infty, 0) \cup (\frac{2}{3}, \infty)$

ABSOLUTE VALUE — A PIECEWISE-DEFINED FUNCTION

Absolute Value:

$$f(x) = |x|$$

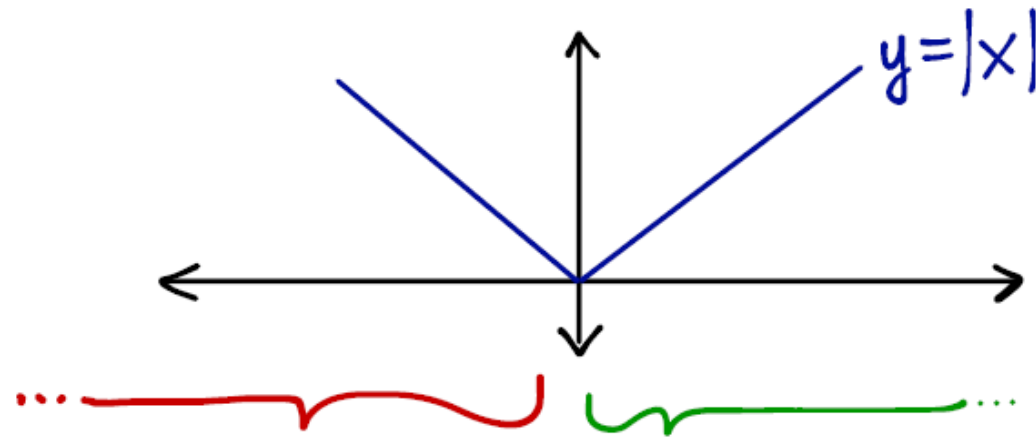
$$\text{where } |x| = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x \geq 0 \\ -x & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

Absolute Value is a Piecewise defined function

• domain: $(-\infty, \infty)$

• range: $[0, \infty)$

only non-negative numbers are in the range of $|x|$

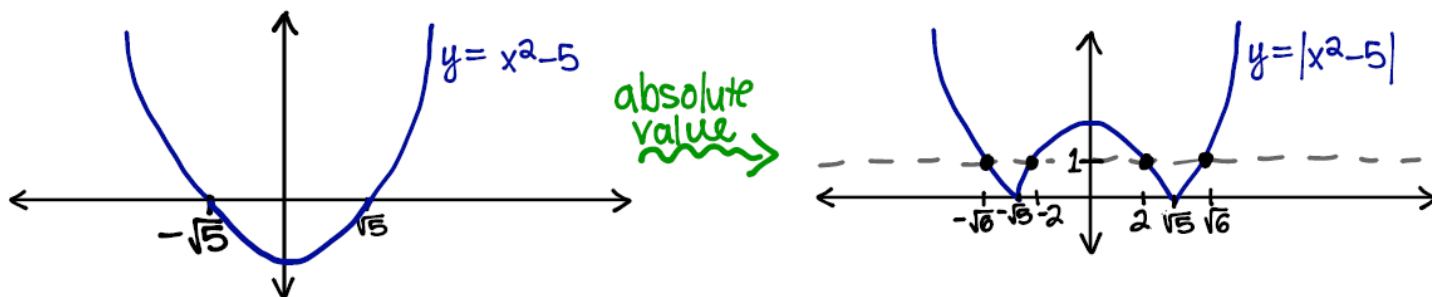


$f(x) = |x|$
has even symmetry

on the "piece" of the real # line where $x < 0$, the graph of $|x|$ just looks like the line $y = -x$

on the "piece" of the real # line where $x \geq 0$, the graph of $|x|$ just looks like the line $y = x$

Exercise 1.8. Sketch the graph of $g(x) = |x^2 - 5|$. For what values of x is $g(x) = 1$?



$$|x^2 - 5| = 1 \begin{cases} \text{Case 1. } x^2 - 5 \geq 0 \\ \therefore |x^2 - 5| = x^2 - 5 \text{ and } x \in (-\infty, -\sqrt{5}] \cup [\sqrt{5}, \infty) \text{ (by solving when } x^2 - 5 \geq 0) \\ \text{So } |x^2 - 5| = 1 \Rightarrow x^2 - 5 = 1 \Rightarrow x^2 - 6 = 0 \Rightarrow x = -\sqrt{6} \text{ or } x = \sqrt{6} \\ \text{Note. } -\sqrt{6} \in (-\infty, -\sqrt{5}] \text{ and } \sqrt{6} \in [\sqrt{5}, \infty) \\ \\ \text{Case 2. } x^2 - 5 < 0 \\ \therefore |x^2 - 5| = -(x^2 - 5) \text{ and } x \in (-\sqrt{5}, \sqrt{5}) \text{ (by solving when } x^2 - 5 < 0) \\ \text{So } |x^2 - 5| = 1 \Rightarrow -(x^2 - 5) = 1 \Rightarrow x^2 - 4 = 0 \Rightarrow x = -2 \text{ or } x = 2 \\ \text{Note. } -2 \in (-\sqrt{5}, \sqrt{5}) \text{ and } 2 \in (-\sqrt{5}, \sqrt{5}) \end{cases}$$

\therefore sol^{ns} to $|x^2 - 5| = 1$ are $x = -\sqrt{6}$, $x = -2$, $x = 2$, and $x = \sqrt{6}$

STUDY GUIDE & EXERCISES

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