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Functions & their Graphs

#4 $f(x) = \sqrt{x+3}$

(a) $f(-2) = \sqrt{(-2)+3}$
 $f(-2) = \sqrt{1}$
 $f(-2) = 1$

(b) $f(6) = \sqrt{(6)+3}$
 $f(6) = \sqrt{9}$
 $f(6) = 3$

(c) $f(-5) = \sqrt{(-5)+3}$
 $f(-5) = \sqrt{-2}$
 $f(-5) = \text{not a real number}$

* $\sqrt{-1} = i \leftarrow \text{imaginary unit}$

(d) $f(x+\Delta x) = \sqrt{(x+\Delta x)+3}$
 $f(x+\Delta x) = \sqrt{x + \Delta x + 3}$

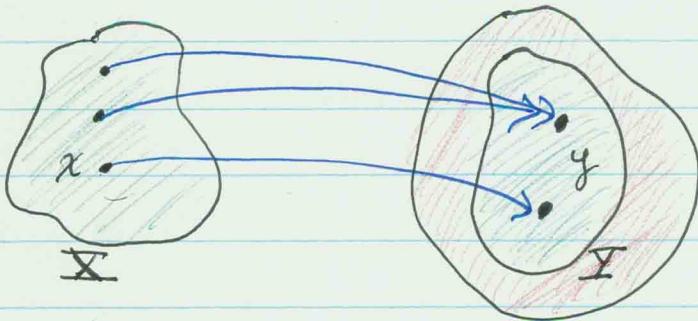
If $g(x) = x^2$, find $\frac{g(x+\Delta x) - g(x)}{\Delta x}$ & simplify

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{g(x+\Delta x) - g(x)}{\Delta x} &= \frac{(x+\Delta x)^2 - x^2}{\Delta x} \\ &= \frac{x^2 + 2x\Delta x + (\Delta x)^2 - x^2}{\Delta x} \\ &= \frac{2x\Delta x + (\Delta x)^2}{\Delta x} \\ &= \frac{\Delta x (2x + \Delta x)}{\Delta x} \\ &= 2x + \Delta x\end{aligned}$$

Definition of Function:

Let \underline{X} & \underline{Y} be two nonempty sets. A function from \underline{X} into \underline{Y} is a relation that associates with each element of \underline{X} exactly one element of \underline{Y} .

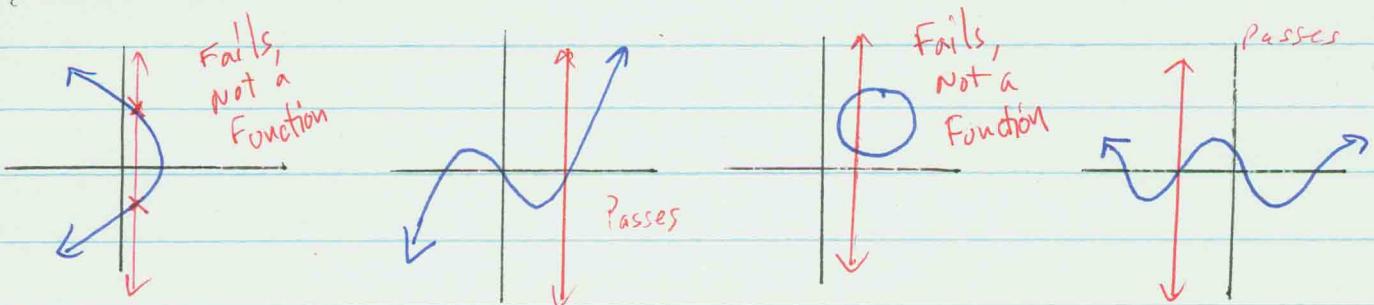
The set \underline{X} is called the domain of the function. For each element in \underline{X} , the corresponding element y in \underline{Y} is called the value of the function at x , or the image of x . The set of all images of the elements in the domain is called the range of the function.



Since there may be some elements in \underline{Y} that are not the image of some x in \underline{X} , it follows the the range of a function may be a subset of \underline{Y} .
Not all relations between two sets are functions.

Vertical Line Test:

A vertical line can intersect the graph of a function at most once.



Find the domain of $f(x) = \sqrt{x^2 - 3x + 2}$

$$x^2 - 3x + 2 \geq 0 \quad \text{for } f(x) \text{ to real number values}$$

Solve:

$$x^2 - 3x + 2 = 0$$

$$(x - 1)(x - 2) = 0$$

either

$$x - 1 = 0, \text{ or } x - 2 = 0$$

$$x = 1$$

$$x = 2$$

Test

$$x = 0: (0)^2 - 3(0) + 2 \geq 0$$

≥ 0 , True

$$x = 3: (3)^2 - 3(3) + 2 \geq 0$$

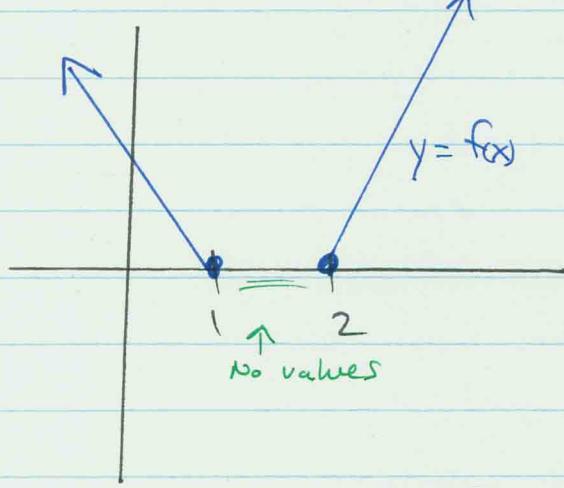
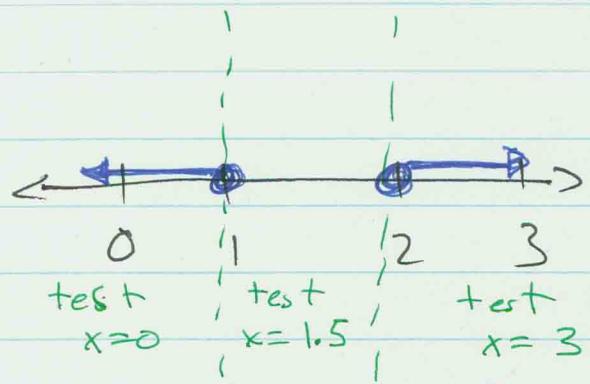
$$9 - 9 + 2 \geq 0$$

≥ 0 , True

$$x = 1.5: (1.5)^2 - 3(1.5) + 2 \geq 0$$

$$2.25 - 4.5 + 2 \geq 0$$

$-0.25 \not\geq 0$, False



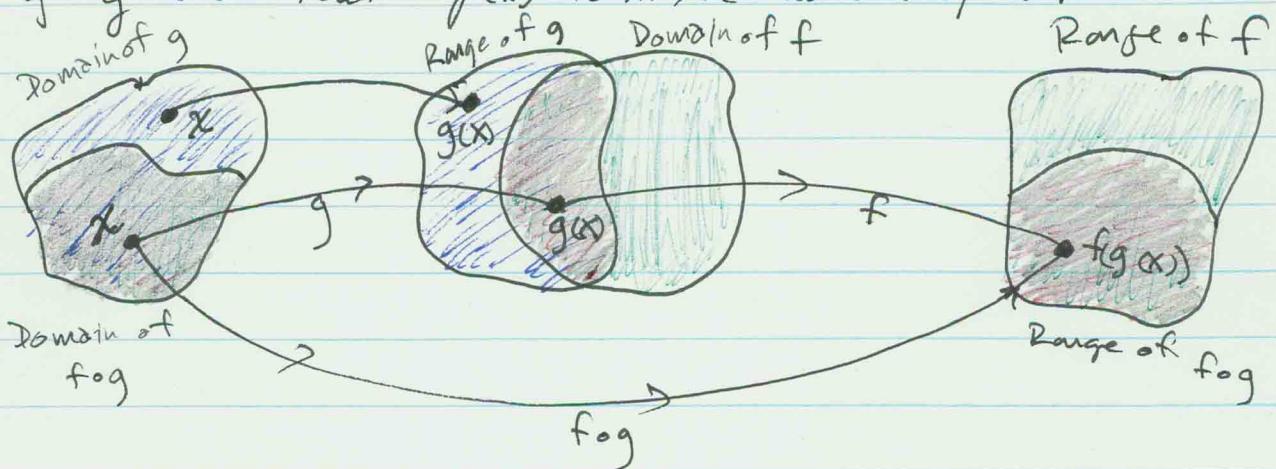
The domain is $\{x \mid x \leq 1 \text{ or } x \geq 2\} = (-\infty, 1] \cup [2, \infty)$.

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Composite function

Given two functions f and g , the composite function, denoted by $f \circ g$, is defined by $(f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x))$.

The domain of $f \circ g$ is the set of all numbers x in the domain of g such that $g(x)$ is in the domain of f .



Given that $f(x) = x^2 + 3x - 1$ & $g(x) = 2x + 3$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (a) \quad (f \circ g)(x) &= f(g(x)) = (g(x))^2 + 3(g(x)) - 1, \quad \star \\
 &= (2x+3)^2 + 3(2x+3) - 1 \\
 &= 4x^2 + 12x + 9 + 6x + 9 - 1
 \end{aligned}$$

$$(f \circ g)(x) = 4x^2 + 18x + 17$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (b) \quad (g \circ f)(x) &= g(f(x)) = 2(f(x)) + 3, \quad \star \\
 &= 2(x^2 + 3x - 1) + 3 \\
 &= 2x^2 + 6x - 2 + 3
 \end{aligned}$$

$$(g \circ f)(x) = 2x^2 + 6x + 3$$

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Even & ODD Functions:

Even functions are symmetric about the y-axis.

Odd functions are symmetric about the origin.

- The function $y = f(x)$ is even if $f(-x) = f(x)$
- The function $y = f(x)$ is odd if $f(-x) = -f(x)$

Test for Even & Odd functions

(a) $f(x) = x^2 - 5$

$f(-x) = (-x)^2 - 5$

$f(-x) = x^2 - 5$

$f(-x) = f(x)$, So, $f(x) = x^2 - 5$ is even.

(b) $h(x) = 5x^3 - x$

$h(-x) = 5(-x)^3 - (-x)$

$h(-x) = -5x^3 + x$

$h(-x) = -(5x^3 - x)$

$h(-x) = -h(x)$. So, $h(x) = 5x^3 - x$ is odd.