

Section 1.5 Analyzing Graphs of Functions

Objective: In this lesson you learned how to analyze graphs of functions.

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Important Vocabulary

Define each term or concept.

Graph of a function

Even function

Odd function

I. The Graph of a Function (Pages 6; – 72)

To find the domain of a function from its graph, . . .

What you should learn

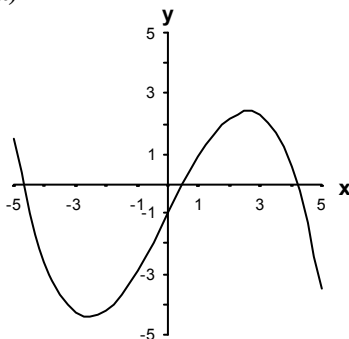
How to use the Vertical Line Test for functions

To find the range of a function from its graph, . . .

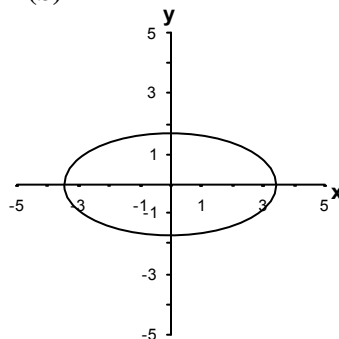
The **Vertical Line Test** for functions states . . .

Example: Decide whether each graph represents y as a function of x .

(a)



(b)



II. Zeros of a Function (Page 73)

If the graph of a function of x has an x -intercept at $(a, 0)$, then a is a _____ of the function.

The **zeros of a function** f of x are . . .

To find the zeros of a function, . . .

Example: Find the zeros of the function

$$f(x) = 4x^2 + 19x - 5.$$

What you should learn

How to find the zeros of functions

III. Increasing and Decreasing Functions (Pages 74 – 75)

A function f is **increasing** on an interval if, for any x_1 and x_2 in the interval, . . .

A function f is **decreasing** on an interval if, for any x_1 and x_2 in the interval, . . .

A function f is **constant** on an interval if, for any x_1 and x_2 in the interval, . . .

A function value $f(a)$ is called a **relative minimum** of f if . . .

A function value $f(a)$ is called a **relative maximum** of f if . . .

What you should learn

How to determine intervals on which functions are increasing or decreasing

The point at which a function changes from increasing to decreasing is a relative _____. The point at which a function changes from decreasing to increasing is a relative _____.

To approximate the relative minimum or maximum of a function using a graphing utility, . . .

IV. Average Rate of Change (Page 54)

For a nonlinear graph whose slope changes at each point, the _____ between any two points $(x_1, f(x_1))$ and $(x_2, f(x_2))$ is the slope of the line through the two points.

The line through the two points is called the _____ line, and its slope is denoted as _____.

What you should learn

How to determine the average rate of change of a function

V. Even and Odd Functions (Page 55)

A function whose graph is symmetric with respect to the y-axis is a(n) _____ function. A function whose graph is symmetric with respect to the origin is a(n) _____ function.

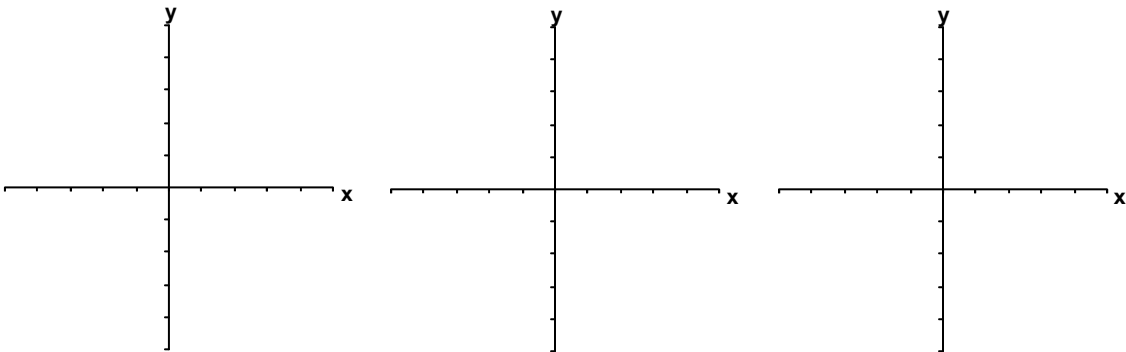
Can the graph of a nonzero function be symmetric with respect to the x-axis?

What you should learn

How to identify even and odd functions

Example: Decide whether the function $f(x) = 4x^2 - 3x + 1$ is even, odd, or neither.

Additional notes



<p>Homework Assignment</p> <p>Page(s)</p> <p>Exercises</p>
