

Complete as many of the following problems as you can with your group. You do not have to go in order. Each group will be given a specific problem that they must complete and present to either Professor MG or to Stefanie before they leave.

- (1) Determine if the following are polynomials. If they are, state its degree, leading term, and leading coefficient:

(a) $\frac{5x + 3}{x}$

(c) $2x + 3x^{-1} - 5$

(b) $x^2 + 7x^4 + 4x + 9x^3 - 4$

(d) $x^2 - x^3 + x^4 - 5$

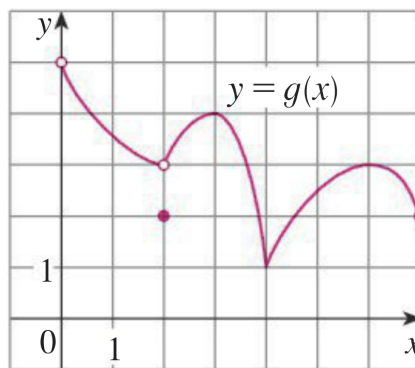
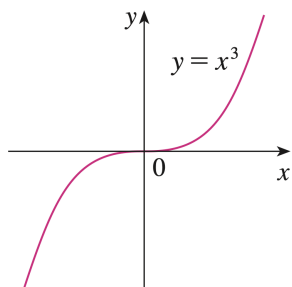
Solution

- (a) This is not a polynomial since there is a division by x
 (b) This is a polynomial with degree 4, leading term $7x^4$, and leading coefficient 7
 (c) This is not a polynomial since there is a negative exponent on the x
 (d) This is a polynomial with degree 4, leading term x^4 , and leading coefficient 1

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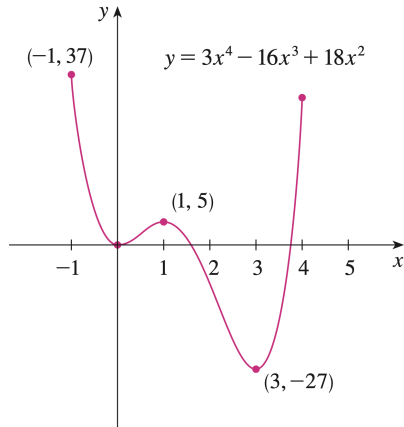
- (2) Find the relative and absolute extrema of the following graphs. **If there is no solid dot at the end of a graph, assume there is an arrow.**

(a)

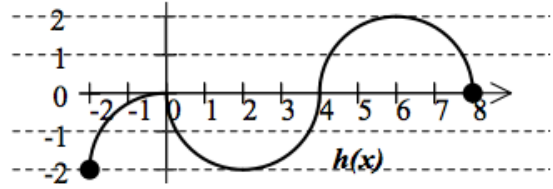


(b)

(c)



(d)



Solution

- (a) No relative nor absolute extrema
- (b) Relative min and abs min at (4, 1), rel max at (3, 4) and (6, 3), no absolute max
- (c) Relative and abs min at (3, -27), rel min at (0, 0), rel max at (1, 5), and abs max (-1, 37)
- (d) Relative min at (2, -2), abs min at (-2, -2), relative max at (0, 0) relative and abs max at (6, 2)

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(3) Determine if the function is odd, even, or neither.

(a) $f(x) = 3x^2 + 8$

(c) $f(x) = 2x^2 - x - 1$

(b) $f(x) = x^5 - 4x$

(d) $f(x) = \frac{2x}{x^4 + x^2 + 7}$

Solution

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(-x) &= 3(-x)^2 + 8 \\
 &= 3x^2 + 8 \\
 &= f(x)
 \end{aligned}$$

So the function is

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(-x) &= (-x)^5 - 4(-x) \\
 &= -x^5 + 4x \\
 &= -f(x)
 \end{aligned}$$

So the function is

(c)

$$\begin{aligned} f(-x) &= 2(-x)^2 - (-x) - 1 \\ &= 2x^2 + x - 1 \end{aligned}$$

This is neither the same as $f(x)$ nor the opposite, so the function is neither

(d)

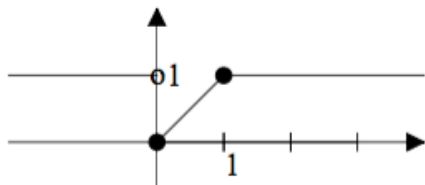
$$\begin{aligned} f(-x) &= \frac{2(-x)}{(-x)^4 + (-x)^2 + 7} \\ &= \frac{-2x}{x^4 + x^2 + 7} \\ &= -f(x) \end{aligned}$$

So the function is odd

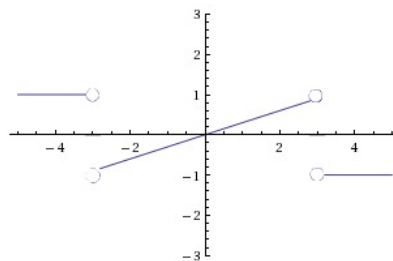
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(4) Find the domain and range of the following functions. **If there is no solid dot at the end of a graph, assume there is an arrow.**

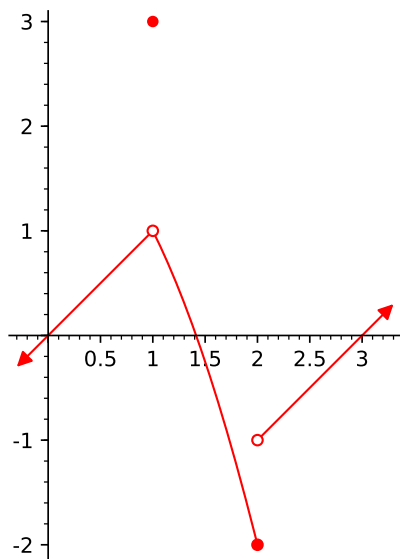
(a)



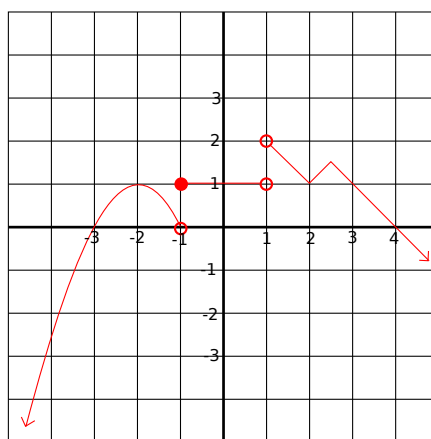
(c)



(b)



(d)



Solution

(a) Domain: $(-\infty, \infty)$, Range: $[0, 1]$

(b) Domain: $(-\infty, \infty)$, Range: $[-2, 1] \cup \{3\}$

(c) Domain: $(-\infty, -3) \cup (-3, 3) \cup (3, \infty)$, Range: $[-1, 1]$

(d) Domain: $(-\infty, 1) \cup (1, \infty)$, Range: $(-\infty, 2]$

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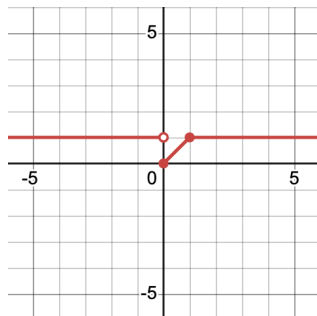
(5) Graph the following piecewise functions by hand **and** find $f(-1)$, $f(0)$, and $f(1)$:

$$(a) f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x < 0 \\ x & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 1 & \text{if } 1 < x \end{cases}$$

$$(b) f(x) = \begin{cases} x - 1 & \text{if } x < 0 \\ \sqrt{x} & \text{if } x \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

Solution

(a)

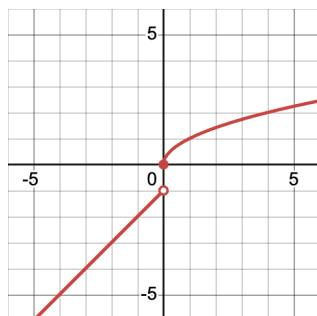


$$f(-1) = 1$$

$$f(0) = 0$$

$$f(1) = 1$$

(b)



$$\begin{aligned} f(-1) &= 0 - 1 \\ &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(0) &= \sqrt{0} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(1) &= \sqrt{1} \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

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