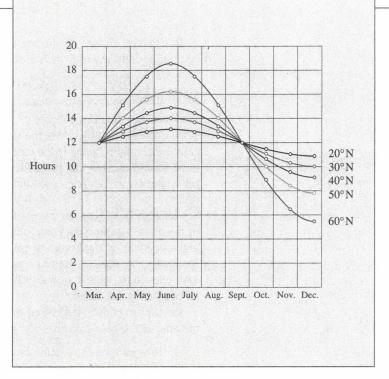
# FUNCTIONS AND MODELS

A graphical representation of a function—here the number of hours of daylight as a function of the time of year at various latitudes—is often the most natural and convenient way to represent the function.



The fundamental objects that we deal with in calculus are functions. This chapter prepares the way for calculus by discussing the basic ideas concerning functions, their graphs, and ways of transforming and combining them. We stress that a function can be represented in different ways: by an equation, in a table, by a graph, or in words. We look at the main types of functions that occur in calculus and describe the process of using these functions as mathematical models of real-world phenomena. We also discuss the use of graphing calculators and graphing software for computers.

## I.I FOUR WAYS TO REPRESENT A FUNCTION

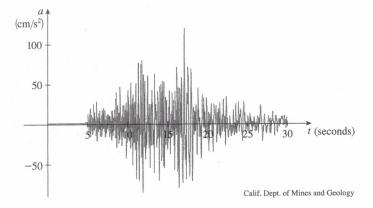
Functions arise whenever one quantity depends on another. Consider the following four situations.

- **A.** The area A of a circle depends on the radius r of the circle. The rule that connects r and A is given by the equation  $A = \pi r^2$ . With each positive number r there is associated one value of A, and we say that A is a function of r.
- **B.** The human population of the world P depends on the time t. The table gives estimates of the world population P(t) at time t, for certain years. For instance,

$$P(1950) \approx 2,560,000,000$$

But for each value of the time t there is a corresponding value of P, and we say that P is a function of t.

- **C.** The cost C of mailing a first-class letter depends on the weight w of the letter. Although there is no simple formula that connects w and C, the post office has a rule for determining C when w is known.
- **D.** The vertical acceleration *a* of the ground as measured by a seismograph during an earthquake is a function of the elapsed time *t*. Figure 1 shows a graph generated by seismic activity during the Northridge earthquake that shook Los Angeles in 1994. For a given value of *t*, the graph provides a corresponding value of *a*.



Each of these examples describes a rule whereby, given a number (r, t, w, or t), another number (A, P, C, or a) is assigned. In each case we say that the second number is a function of the first number.

A function f is a rule that assigns to each element x in a set D exactly one element, called f(x), in a set E.

We usually consider functions for which the sets D and E are sets of real numbers. The set D is called the **domain** of the function. The number f(x) is the **value of** f at x and is read "f of x." The **range** of f is the set of all possible values of f(x) as x varies throughout the domain. A symbol that represents an arbitrary number in the *domain* of a function f is called an **independent variable**. A symbol that represents a number in the *range* of f is called a **dependent variable**. In Example A, for instance, f is the independent variable and f is the dependent variable.

Year	Population (millions)
1900	1650
1910	1750
1920	1860
1930	2070
1940	2300
1950	2560
1960	3040
1970	3710
1980	4450
1990	5280
2000	6080

FIGURE 1
Vertical ground acceleration during
the Northridge earthquake

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Machine diagram for a function f

E

(p)f

The preprogrammed functions in a calculator are good examples of a function a domain as the set of all possible inputs and the range as the set of all possible outputs produces an output f(x) according to the rule of the function. Thus we can think of the function f, then when x enters the machine, it's accepted as an input and the mach It's helpful to think of a function as a **machine** (see Figure 2). If x is in the domain

 $\sqrt{x}$  key on your calculator is not quite the same as the exact mathematical function f defi cate an error. If  $x \ge 0$ , then an approximation to  $\sqrt{x}$  will appear in the display. Thus domain of this function; that is, x is not an acceptable input, and the calculator will is You press the key labeled  $\sqrt{(\text{or }\sqrt{x})}$  and enter the input x. If x < 0, then x is not in machine. For example, the square root key on your calculator computes such a funct

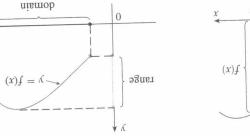
with x, f(a) is associated with a, and so on. connects an element of D to an element of E. The arrow indicates that f(x) is associ-Another way to picture a function is by an arrow diagram as in Figure 3. Each at

domain D, then its graph is the set of ordered pairs The most common method for visualizing a function is its graph. If f is a function  $\gamma$ 

$$\{Q \ni x \mid ((x)f,x)\}$$

The graph of a function f gives us a useful picture of the behavior or 'life history points (x, y) in the coordinate plane such that y = f(x) and x is in the domain of f. (Notice that these are input-output pairs.) In other words, the graph of f consists o

range on the y-axis as in Figure 5. Figure 4). The graph of f also allows us to picture the domain of f on the x-axis an the value of f(x) from the graph as being the height of the graph above the point xa function. Since the y-coordinate of any point (x, y) on the graph is y = f(x), we can



(1)f(2)((x)f'x)

FIGURE 4

 $x = (x) \int y dx$ 

FIGURE 5

**EXAMPLE 1** The graph of a function f is shown in Figure 6.

(a) Find the values of f(1) and f(5).

(b) What are the domain and range of f?

(a) We see from Figure 6 that the point (1,3) lies on the graph of f, so the value of

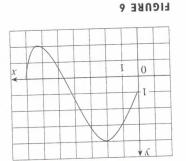
When x = 5, the graph lies about 0.7 unit below the x-axis, so we estimate that above the x-axis.) at I is f(1) = 3. (In other words, the point on the graph that lies above x = 1 is 3 w

(b) We see that f(x) is defined when  $0 \le x \le 7$ , so the domain of f is the closed in  $.7.0-\approx (\xi)$ 

(b) We see that 
$$\int (x) dx = 0$$
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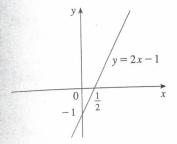


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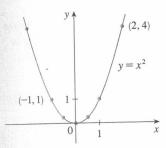


FIGURE 8

The expression

$$\frac{f(a+h)-f(a)}{h}$$

in Example 3 is called a difference quotient and occurs frequently in calculus. As we will see in Chapter 2, it represents the average rate of change of f(x) between x = a and x = a + h

**EXAMPLE 2** Sketch the graph and find the domain and range of each function.

(a) 
$$f(x) = 2x - 1$$

$$(b) g(x) = x^2$$

SOLUTION

(a) The equation of the graph is y = 2x - 1, and we recognize this as being the equation of a line with slope 2 and y-intercept -1. (Recall the slope-intercept form of the equation of a line: y = mx + b. See Appendix B.) This enables us to sketch a portion of the graph of f in Figure 7. The expression 2x - 1 is defined for all real numbers, so the domain of f is the set of all real numbers, which we denote by  $\mathbb{R}$ . The graph shows that the range is also  $\mathbb{R}$ .

(b) Since  $g(2) = 2^2 = 4$  and  $g(-1) = (-1)^2 = 1$ , we could plot the points (2, 4) and (-1, 1), together with a few other points on the graph, and join them to produce the graph (Figure 8). The equation of the graph is  $y = x^2$ , which represents a parabola (see Appendix C). The domain of g is  $\mathbb{R}$ . The range of g consists of all values of g(x), that is, all numbers of the form  $x^2$ . But  $x^2 \ge 0$  for all numbers x and any positive number y is a square. So the range of g is  $\{y \mid y \ge 0\} = [0, \infty)$ . This can also be seen from Figure 8.  $\square$ 

**EXAMPLE 3** If 
$$f(x) = 2x^2 - 5x + 1$$
 and  $h \ne 0$ , evaluate  $\frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h}$ .

SOLUTION We first evaluate f(a + h) by replacing x by a + h in the expression for f(x):

$$f(a + h) = 2(a + h)^{2} - 5(a + h) + 1$$

$$= 2(a^{2} + 2ah + h^{2}) - 5(a + h) + 1$$

$$= 2a^{2} + 4ah + 2h^{2} - 5a - 5h + 1$$

Then we substitute into the given expression and simplify:

$$\frac{f(a+h)-f(a)}{h} = \frac{(2a^2+4ah+2h^2-5a-5h+1)-(2a^2-5a+1)}{h}$$

$$= \frac{2a^2+4ah+2h^2-5a-5h+1-2a^2+5a-1}{h}$$

$$= \frac{4ah+2h^2-5h}{h} = 4a+2h-5$$

## REPRESENTATIONS OF FUNCTIONS

There are four possible ways to represent a function:

(by a description in words) ■ verbally

(by a table of values) m numerically

(by a graph) ■ visually

(by an explicit formula) algebraically

If a single function can be represented in all four ways, it's often useful to go from one representation to another to gain additional insight into the function. (In Example 2, for instance, we started with algebraic formulas and then obtained the graphs.) But certain Population

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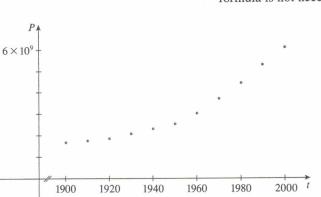
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functions are described more naturally by one method than by another. With this in let's reexamine the four situations that we considered at the beginning of this section

- **A.** The most useful representation of the area of a circle as a function of its radius is probably the algebraic formula  $A(r) = \pi r^2$ , though it is possible to compile a tab values or to sketch a graph (half a parabola). Because a circle has to have a position radius, the domain is  $\{r \mid r > 0\} = (0, \infty)$ , and the range is also  $(0, \infty)$ .
- **B.** We are given a description of the function in words: P(t) is the human population the world at time t. The table of values of world population provides a convenien representation of this function. If we plot these values, we get the graph (called a scatter plot) in Figure 9. It too is a useful representation; the graph allows us to absorb all the data at once. What about a formula? Of course, it's impossible to d an explicit formula that gives the exact human population P(t) at any time t. But it possible to find an expression for a function that approximates P(t). In fact, using methods explained in Section 1.2, we obtain the approximation

$$P(t) \approx f(t) = (0.008079266) \cdot (1.013731)^{t}$$

and Figure 10 shows that it is a reasonably good "fit." The function f is called a *mathematical model* for population growth. In other words, it is a function with a explicit formula that approximates the behavior of our given function. We will see however, that the ideas of calculus can be applied to a table of values; an explicit formula is not necessary.



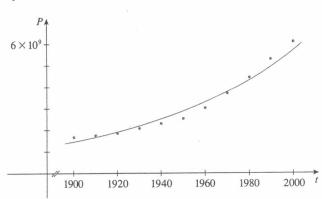


FIGURE 9

A function defined by a table of values is called a *tabular* function.

w (ounces)	C(w) (dollars)
$0 < w \le 1$	0.39
$1 < w \le 2$	0.63
$2 < w \leq 3$	0.87
$3 < w \leq 4$	1.11
$4 < w \le 5$	1.35
$12 < w \le 13$	3.27

FIGURE 10

The function *P* is typical of the functions that arise whenever we attempt to appear calculus to the real world. We start with a verbal description of a function. Then may be able to construct a table of values of the function, perhaps from instrumer readings in a scientific experiment. Even though we don't have complete knowled of the values of the function, we will see throughout the book that it is still possible perform the operations of calculus on such a function.

- **C.** Again the function is described in words: C(w) is the cost of mailing a first-class with weight w. The rule that the US Postal Service used as of 2007 is as follows: cost is 39 cents for up to one ounce, plus 24 cents for each successive ounce up t ounces. The table of values shown in the margin is the most convenient represent for this function, though it is possible to sketch a graph (see Example 10).
- **D.** The graph shown in Figure 1 is the most natural representation of the vertical accation function a(t). It's true that a table of values could be compiled, and it is even

possible to devise an approximate formula. But everything a geologist needs to know—amplitudes and patterns—can be seen easily from the graph. (The same is true for the patterns seen in electrocardiograms of heart patients and polygraphs for lie-detection.)

In the next example we sketch the graph of a function that is defined verbally.

**EXAMPLE 4** When you turn on a hot-water faucet, the temperature T of the water depends on how long the water has been running. Draw a rough graph of T as a function of the time t that has elapsed since the faucet was turned on.

SOLUTION The initial temperature of the running water is close to room temperature because the water has been sitting in the pipes. When the water from the hot-water tank starts flowing from the faucet, T increases quickly. In the next phase, T is constant at the temperature of the heated water in the tank. When the tank is drained, T decreases to the temperature of the water supply. This enables us to make the rough sketch of T as a function of t in Figure 11.

In the following example we start with a verbal description of a function in a physical situation and obtain an explicit algebraic formula. The ability to do this is a useful skill in solving calculus problems that ask for the maximum or minimum values of quantities.

■ EXAMPLE 5 A rectangular storage container with an open top has a volume of 10 m³. The length of its base is twice its width. Material for the base costs \$10 per square meter; material for the sides costs \$6 per square meter. Express the cost of materials as a function of the width of the base.

SOLUTION We draw a diagram as in Figure 12 and introduce notation by letting w and 2w be the width and length of the base, respectively, and h be the height.

The area of the base is  $(2w)w = 2w^2$ , so the cost, in dollars, of the material for the base is  $10(2w^2)$ . Two of the sides have area wh and the other two have area 2wh, so the cost of the material for the sides is 6[2(wh) + 2(2wh)]. The total cost is therefore

$$C = 10(2w^2) + 6[2(wh) + 2(2wh)] = 20w^2 + 36wh$$

To express C as a function of w alone, we need to eliminate h and we do so by using the fact that the volume is  $10 \text{ m}^3$ . Thus

$$w(2w)h = 10$$

which gives

$$h = \frac{10}{2w^2} = \frac{5}{w^2}$$

Substituting this into the expression for C, we have

$$C = 20w^2 + 36w \left(\frac{5}{w^2}\right) = 20w^2 + \frac{180}{w}$$

Therefore, the equation

$$C(w) = 20w^2 + \frac{180}{w} \qquad w > 0$$

expresses C as a function of w.

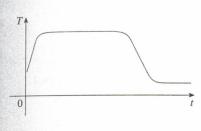


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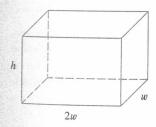


FIGURE 12

In setting up applied functions as in Example 5, it may be useful to review the principles of problem solving as discussed on page 76, particularly Step 1: Understand the Problem.

**EXAMPLE 6** Find the domain of each function.

(a) 
$$f(x) = \sqrt{x+2}$$

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

If a function is given by a formula and the domain is not stated explicitly, the convention is that the domain is the set of all numbers for which the formula makes sense and defines a real number.

(a) Because the square root of a negative number is not defined (as a real number), the domain of f consists of all values of x such that  $x + 2 \ge 0$ . This is equivalent to  $x \ge -2$ , so the domain is the interval  $[-2, \infty)$ .

(b) Since

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

and division by 0 is not allowed, we see that g(x) is not defined when x = 0 or x = 1. Thus the domain of g is

$$\{x \mid x \neq 0, x \neq 1\}$$

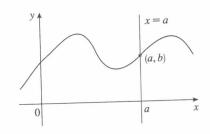
which could also be written in interval notation as

$$(-\infty,0)\cup(0,1)\cup(1,\infty)$$

The graph of a function is a curve in the *xy*-plane. But the question arises: Which curves in the *xy*-plane are graphs of functions? This is answered by the following test.

THE VERTICAL LINE TEST A curve in the xy-plane is the graph of a function of x if and only if no vertical line intersects the curve more than once.

The reason for the truth of the Vertical Line Test can be seen in Figure 13. If each vertical line x = a intersects a curve only once, at (a, b), then exactly one functional value is defined by f(a) = b. But if a line x = a intersects the curve twice, at (a, b) and (a, c), then the curve can't represent a function because a function can't assign two different values to a.



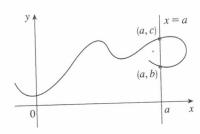
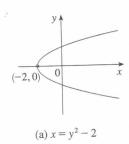
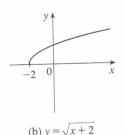


FIGURE 13

For example, the parabola  $x = y^2 - 2$  shown in Figure 14(a) on the next page is not the graph of a function of x because, as you can see, there are vertical lines that intersect the parabola twice. The parabola, however, does contain the graphs of *two* functions of x. Notice that the equation  $x = y^2 - 2$  implies  $y^2 = x + 2$ , so  $y = \pm \sqrt{x + 2}$ . Thus the upper and lower halves of the parabola are the graphs of the functions  $f(x) = \sqrt{x + 2}$ . [See Figures 14(b) and (c).] We observe that if we reverse the roles of x and y, then the equation  $x = h(y) = y^2 - 2$  does define x as function of y (with y as the independent variable and x as the dependent variable) and the parabola now appears as the graph of the function h.





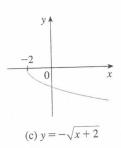


FIGURE 14

# PIECEWISE DEFINED FUNCTIONS

The functions in the following four examples are defined by different formulas in different parts of their domains.

**Y EXAMPLE 7** A function f is defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 - x & \text{if } x \le 1\\ x^2 & \text{if } x > 1 \end{cases}$$

Evaluate f(0), f(1), and f(2) and sketch the graph.

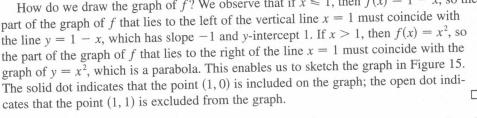
SOLUTION Remember that a function is a rule. For this particular function the rule is the following: First look at the value of the input x. If it happens that  $x \leq 1$ , then the value of f(x) is 1 - x. On the other hand, if x > 1, then the value of f(x) is  $x^2$ .

Since 
$$0 \le 1$$
, we have  $f(0) = 1 - 0 = 1$ .

Since 
$$1 \le 1$$
, we have  $f(1) = 1 - 1 = 0$ .

Since 
$$2 > 1$$
, we have  $f(2) = 2^2 = 4$ .

How do we draw the graph of f? We observe that if  $x \le 1$ , then f(x) = 1 - x, so the part of the graph of f that lies to the left of the vertical line x = 1 must coincide with the line y = 1 - x, which has slope -1 and y-intercept 1. If x > 1, then  $f(x) = x^2$ , so the part of the graph of f that lies to the right of the line x = 1 must coincide with the graph of  $y = x^2$ , which is a parabola. This enables us to sketch the graph in Figure 15. The solid dot indicates that the point (1,0) is included on the graph; the open dot indi-



The next example of a piecewise defined function is the absolute value function. Recall that the **absolute value** of a number a, denoted by |a|, is the distance from a to 0 on the real number line. Distances are always positive or 0, so we have

$$|a| \ge 0$$
 for every number  $a$ 

For example,

$$|3| = 3$$
  $|-3| = 3$   $|0| = 0$   $|\sqrt{2} - 1| = \sqrt{2} - 1$   $|3 - \pi| = \pi - 3$ 

In general, we have

$$|a| = a$$
 if  $a \ge 0$   
 $|a| = -a$  if  $a < 0$ 

(Remember that if a is negative, then -a is positive.)

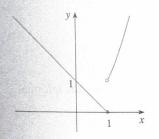


FIGURE 15

For a more extensive review of absolute values, see Appendix A.

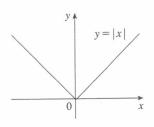


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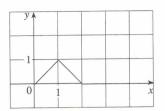
**EXAMPLE 8** Sketch the graph of the absolute value function f(x) = |x|.

SOLUTION From the preceding discussion we know that

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

Using the same method as in Example 7, we see that the graph of f coincides with the line y = x to the right of the y-axis and coincides with the line y = -x to the left of the y-axis (see Figure 16).

**EXAMPLE 9** Find a formula for the function f graphed in Figure 17.



#### FIGURE 17

SOLUTION The line through (0,0) and (1,1) has slope m=1 and y-intercept b=0, so its equation is y=x. Thus, for the part of the graph of f that joins (0,0) to (1,1), we have

$$f(x) = x$$
 if  $0 \le x \le 1$ 

The line through (1, 1) and (2, 0) has slope m = -1, so its point-slope form is

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

So we have

$$f(x) = 2 - x$$
 if  $1 < x \le 2$ 

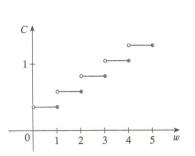
We also see that the graph of f coincides with the x-axis for x > 2. Putting this information together, we have the following three-piece formula for f:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } 0 \le x \le 1\\ 2 - x & \text{if } 1 < x \le 2\\ 0 & \text{if } x > 2 \end{cases}$$

**EXAMPLE 10** In Example C at the beginning of this section we considered the cost C(w) of mailing a first-class letter with weight w. In effect, this is a piecewise defined function because, from the table of values, we have

$$C(w) = \begin{cases} 0.39 & \text{if } 0 < w \le 1\\ 0.63 & \text{if } 1 < w \le 2\\ 0.87 & \text{if } 2 < w \le 3\\ 1.11 & \text{if } 3 < w \le 4\\ \vdots & \vdots \end{cases}$$

The graph is shown in Figure 18. You can see why functions similar to this one are called **step functions**—they jump from one value to the next. Such functions will be studied in Chapter 2.



Point-slope form of the equation of a line:

See Appendix B.

 $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$ 

FIGURE 18

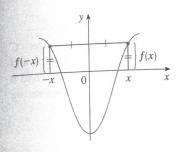


FIGURE 19 An even function

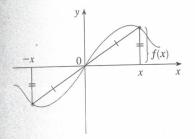


FIGURE 20 An odd function

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If a function f satisfies f(-x) = f(x) for every number x in its domain, then f is called an **even function.** For instance, the function  $f(x) = x^2$  is even because

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

The geometric significance of an even function is that its graph is symmetric with respect to the y-axis (see Figure 19). This means that if we have plotted the graph of f for  $x \ge 0$ , we obtain the entire graph simply by reflecting this portion about the y-axis.

If f satisfies f(-x) = -f(x) for every number x in its domain, then f is called an **odd function**. For example, the function  $f(x) = x^3$  is odd because

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

The graph of an odd function is symmetric about the origin (see Figure 20). If we already have the graph of f for  $x \ge 0$ , we can obtain the entire graph by rotating this portion through 180° about the origin.

EXAMPLE 11 Determine whether each of the following functions is even, odd, or neither even nor odd.

(a) 
$$f(x) = x^5 + x$$

(b) 
$$g(x) = 1 - x^4$$

(b) 
$$q(x) = 1 - x^4$$
 (c)  $h(x) = 2x - x^2$ 

(c)

SOLUTION

(a) 
$$f(-x) = (-x)^5 + (-x) = (-1)^5 x^5 + (-x)$$
$$= -x^5 - x = -(x^5 + x)$$
$$= -f(x)$$

Therefore f is an odd function.

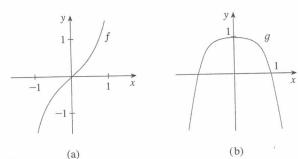
(b) 
$$g(-x) = 1 - (-x)^4 = 1 - x^4 = g(x)$$

So q is even.

(c) 
$$h(-x) = 2(-x) - (-x)^2 = -2x - x^2$$

Since  $h(-x) \neq h(x)$  and  $h(-x) \neq -h(x)$ , we conclude that h is neither even nor odd.  $\square$ 

The graphs of the functions in Example 11 are shown in Figure 21. Notice that the graph of h is symmetric neither about the y-axis nor about the origin.



# increasing and decreasing functions

The graph shown in Figure 22 rises from A to B, falls from B to C, and rises again from C to D. The function f is said to be increasing on the interval [a, b], decreasing on [b, c], and increasing again on [c, d]. Notice that if  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are any two numbers between a and b with  $x_1 < x_2$ , then  $f(x_1) < f(x_2)$ . We use this as the defining property of an increasing function.

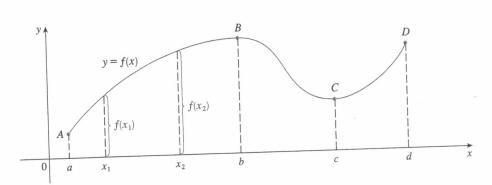


FIGURE 22

A function f is called **increasing** on an interval I if

$$f(x_1) < f(x_2)$$
 whenever  $x_1 < x_2$  in  $I$ 

It is called **decreasing** on I if

$$f(x_1) > f(x_2)$$
 whenever  $x_1 < x_2$  in  $I$ 

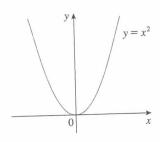


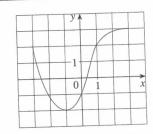
FIGURE 23

In the definition of an increasing function it is important to realize that the inequality  $f(x_1) < f(x_2)$  must be satisfied for *every* pair of numbers  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  in I with  $x_1 < x_2$ .

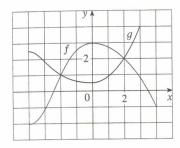
You can see from Figure 23 that the function  $f(x) = x^2$  is decreasing on the interval  $(-\infty, 0]$  and increasing on the interval  $[0, \infty)$ .

# I.I EXERCISES

- I. The graph of a function f is given.
  - (a) State the value of f(-1).
  - (b) Estimate the value of f(2).
  - (c) For what values of x is f(x) = 2?
  - (d) Estimate the values of x such that f(x) = 0.
  - (e) State the domain and range of f.
  - (f) On what interval is f increasing?

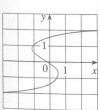


- $\boxed{2}$ . The graphs of f and g are given.
  - (a) State the values of f(-4) and g(3).
  - (b) For what values of x is f(x) = g(x)?
  - (c) Estimate the solution of the equation f(x) = -1.
  - (d) On what interval is f decreasing?
  - (e) State the domain and range of f.
  - (f) State the domain and range of g.

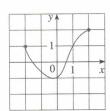


- 3. Figure 1 was recorded by an instrument operated by the California Department of Mines and Geology at the University Hospital of the University of Southern California in Los Angeles. Use it to estimate the range of the vertical ground acceleration function at USC during the Northridge earthquake.
- 4. In this section we discussed examples of ordinary, everyday functions: Population is a function of time, postage cost is a function of weight, water temperature is a function of time. Give three other examples of functions from everyday life that are described verbally. What can you say about the domain and range of each of your functions? If possible, sketch a rough graph of each function.
- **5–8** Determine whether the curve is the graph of a function of x. If it is, state the domain and range of the function.

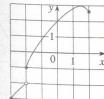
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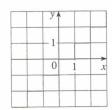


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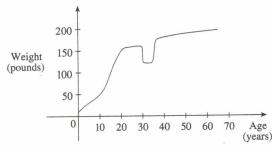
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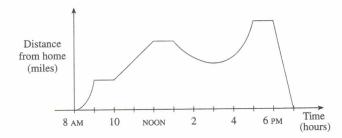


The graph shown gives the weight of a certain person as a function of age. Describe in words how this person's weight

varies over time. What do you think happened when this person was 30 years old?



10. The graph shown gives a salesman's distance from his home as a function of time on a certain day. Describe in words what the graph indicates about his travels on this day.



- II. You put some ice cubes in a glass, fill the glass with cold water, and then let the glass sit on a table. Describe how the temperature of the water changes as time passes. Then sketch a rough graph of the temperature of the water as a function of the elapsed time.
- 12. Sketch a rough graph of the number of hours of daylight as a function of the time of year.
- 13. Sketch a rough graph of the outdoor temperature as a function of time during a typical spring day.
- **14.** Sketch a rough graph of the market value of a new car as a function of time for a period of 20 years. Assume the car is well maintained.
- **15.** Sketch the graph of the amount of a particular brand of coffee sold by a store as a function of the price of the coffee.
- 16. You place a frozen pie in an oven and bake it for an hour. Then you take it out and let it cool before eating it. Describe how the temperature of the pie changes as time passes. Then sketch a rough graph of the temperature of the pie as a function of time.
- 17. A homeowner mows the lawn every Wednesday afternoon. Sketch a rough graph of the height of the grass as a function of time over the course of a four-week period.
- **18.** An airplane takes off from an airport and lands an hour later at another airport, 400 miles away. If t represents the time in minutes since the plane has left the terminal building, let x(t) be

the horizontal distance traveled and y(t) be the altitude of the

- (a) Sketch a possible graph of x(t).
- (b) Sketch a possible graph of y(t).
- (c) Sketch a possible graph of the ground speed.
- (d) Sketch a possible graph of the vertical velocity.
- 19. The number N (in millions) of cellular phone subscribers worldwide is shown in the table. (Midyear estimates are given.)

t	1990	1992	1994	1996	1998	2000
N	11	26	60	160	340	650

- (a) Use the data to sketch a rough graph of N as a function of t.
- (b) Use your graph to estimate the number of cell-phone subscribers at midyear in 1995 and 1999.
- **20.** Temperature readings T (in  $^{\circ}$ F) were recorded every two hours from midnight to 2:00 PM in Dallas on June 2, 2001. The time t was measured in hours from midnight.

t	0	2	4	6	8	10	12	14
T	73	73	70	69	72	81	88	91

- (a) Use the readings to sketch a rough graph of T as a function
- (b) Use your graph to estimate the temperature at 11:00 AM.

**21.** If 
$$f(x) = 3x^2 - x + 2$$
, find  $f(2)$ ,  $f(-2)$ ,  $f(a)$ ,  $f(-a)$ ,  $f(a+1)$ ,  $2f(a)$ ,  $f(2a)$ ,  $f(a^2)$ ,  $[f(a)]^2$ , and  $f(a+h)$ .

- **22.** A spherical balloon with radius r inches has volume  $V(r) = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$ . Find a function that represents the amount of air required to inflate the balloon from a radius of r inches to a radius of r + 1 inches.
- 23-26 Evaluate the difference quotient for the given function. Simplify your answer.

23. 
$$f(x) = 4 + 3x - x^2$$
,  $\frac{f(3+h) - f(3)}{h}$ 

**24.** 
$$f(x) = x^3$$
,  $\frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h}$ 

**25.** 
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$$
,  $\frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a}$ 

**26.** 
$$f(x) = \frac{x+3}{x+1}$$
,  $\frac{f(x) - f(1)}{x-1}$ 

27-31 Find the domain of the function.

**27.** 
$$f(x) = \frac{x}{3x - 1}$$

**28.** 
$$f(x) = \frac{5x+4}{x^2+3x+2}$$

**29.** 
$$f(t) = \sqrt{t} + \sqrt[3]{t}$$

**30.** 
$$g(u) = \sqrt{u} + \sqrt{4 - u}$$

$$\boxed{31.} \ h(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{x^2 - 5x}}$$

- 32. Find the domain and range and sketch the graph of the function  $h(x) = \sqrt{4 - x^2}$
- 33-44 Find the domain and sketch the graph of the function.

**33.** 
$$f(x) = 5$$

**34.** 
$$F(x) = \frac{1}{2}(x+3)$$

**35.** 
$$f(t) = t^2 - 6t$$

**36.** 
$$H(t) = \frac{4-t^2}{2-t}$$

**37.** 
$$g(x) = \sqrt{x-5}$$

**38.** 
$$F(x) = |2x + 1|$$

39. 
$$G(x) = \frac{3x + |x|}{x}$$
 40.  $g(x) = \frac{|x|}{x^2}$ 

**40.** 
$$g(x) = \frac{|x|}{x^2}$$

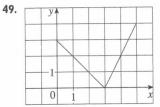
**41.** 
$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x + 2 & \text{if } x < 0 \\ 1 - x & \text{if } x \ge 0 \end{cases}$$

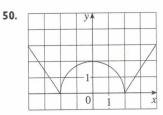
**42.** 
$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 3 - \frac{1}{2}x & \text{if } x \le 2\\ 2x - 5 & \text{if } x > 2 \end{cases}$$

$$\boxed{43.} \ f(x) = \begin{cases} x+2 & \text{if } x \le -1 \\ x^2 & \text{if } x > -1 \end{cases}$$

**44.** 
$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x+9 & \text{if } x < -3 \\ -2x & \text{if } |x| \le 3 \\ -6 & \text{if } x > 3 \end{cases}$$

- 45-50 Find an expression for the function whose graph is the given curve.
- **45.** The line segment joining the points (1, -3) and (5, 7)
- **46.** The line segment joining the points (-5, 10) and (7, -10)
- 47. The bottom half of the parabola  $x + (y 1)^2 = 0$
- **48.** The top half of the circle  $x^2 + (y 2)^2 = 4$



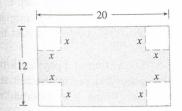


- 51-55 Find a formula for the described function and state its
- 51. A rectangle has perimeter 20 m. Express the area of the rectangle as a function of the length of one of its sides.

- **52.** A rectangle has area 16 m<sup>2</sup>. Express the perimeter of the rectangle as a function of the length of one of its sides.
- **53.** Express the area of an equilateral triangle as a function of the length of a side.
- 54. Express the surface area of a cube as a function of its volume.
- An open rectangular box with volume 2 m<sup>3</sup> has a square base. Express the surface area of the box as a function of the length of a side of the base.
- **56.** A Norman window has the shape of a rectangle surmounted by a semicircle. If the perimeter of the window is 30 ft, express the area *A* of the window as a function of the width *x* of the window.



57. A box with an open top is to be constructed from a rectangular piece of cardboard with dimensions 12 in. by 20 in. by cutting out equal squares of side x at each corner and then folding up the sides as in the figure. Express the volume V of the box as a function of x.

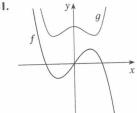




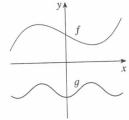
- **58.** A taxi company charges two dollars for the first mile (or part of a mile) and 20 cents for each succeeding tenth of a mile (or part). Express the cost C (in dollars) of a ride as a function of the distance x traveled (in miles) for 0 < x < 2, and sketch the graph of this function.
- In a certain country, income tax is assessed as follows. There is no tax on income up to \$10,000. Any income over \$10,000 is taxed at a rate of 10%, up to an income of \$20,000. Any income over \$20,000 is taxed at 15%.
  - (a) Sketch the graph of the tax rate *R* as a function of the income *I*.

- (b) How much tax is assessed on an income of \$14,000? On \$26,000?
- (c) Sketch the graph of the total assessed tax T as a function of the income I.
- **60.** The functions in Example 10 and Exercises 58 and 59(a) are called *step functions* because their graphs look like stairs. Give two other examples of step functions that arise in everyday life.
- **61–62** Graphs of f and g are shown. Decide whether each function is even, odd, or neither. Explain your reasoning.

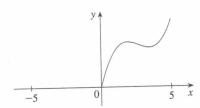








- **63.** (a) If the point (5, 3) is on the graph of an even function, what other point must also be on the graph?
  - (b) If the point (5, 3) is on the graph of an odd function, what other point must also be on the graph?
- **64.** A function f has domain [-5, 5] and a portion of its graph is shown.
  - (a) Complete the graph of f if it is known that f is even.
  - (b) Complete the graph of f if it is known that f is odd.



**65–70** Determine whether f is even, odd, or neither. If you have a graphing calculator, use it to check your answer visually.

**65.** 
$$f(x) = \frac{x}{x^2 + 1}$$

**66.** 
$$f(x) = \frac{x^2}{x^4 + 1}$$

**67.** 
$$f(x) = \frac{x}{x+1}$$

**68.** 
$$f(x) = x | x$$

**69.** 
$$f(x) = 1 + 3x^2 - x^4$$

**70.** 
$$f(x) = 1 + 3x^3 - x^5$$

A **mathematical model** is a mathematical description (often by means of a function of equation) of a real-world phenomenon such as the size of a population, the demand for product, the speed of a falling object, the concentration of a product in a chemical retion, the life expectancy of a person at birth, or the cost of emission reductions. The pose of the model is to understand the phenomenon and perhaps to make predictions about the phenomenon and perhaps to make predictions about the phenomenon.

Figure 1 illustrates the process of mathematical modeling. Given a real-world proble our first task is to formulate a mathematical model by identifying and naming the impendent and dependent variables and making assumptions that simplify the phenome enough to make it mathematically tractable. We use our knowledge of the physical sittion and our mathematical skills to obtain equations that relate the variables. In situating where there is no physical law to guide us, we may need to collect data (either from library or the Internet or by conducting our own experiments) and examine the data in form of a table in order to discern patterns. From this numerical representation of a fution we may wish to obtain a graphical representation by plotting the data. The graphite even suggest a suitable algebraic formula in some cases.

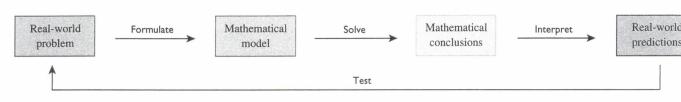


FIGURE 1 The modeling process

The second stage is to apply the mathematics that we know (such as the calculus will be developed throughout this book) to the mathematical model that we have form lated in order to derive mathematical conclusions. Then, in the third stage, we take the mathematical conclusions and interpret them as information about the original real-weaphenomenon by way of offering explanations or making predictions. The final step is test our predictions by checking against new real data. If the predictions don't composed with reality, we need to refine our model or to formulate a new model and start cycle again.

A mathematical model is never a completely accurate representation of a physical s ation—it is an *idealization*. A good model simplifies reality enough to permit mathem cal calculations but is accurate enough to provide valuable conclusions. It is important realize the limitations of the model. In the end, Mother Nature has the final say.

There are many different types of functions that can be used to model relationsh observed in the real world. In what follows, we discuss the behavior and graphs of th functions and give examples of situations appropriately modeled by such functions.

#### LINEAR MODELS

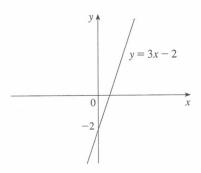
When we say that y is a **linear function** of x, we mean that the graph of the function line, so we can use the slope-intercept form of the equation of a line to write a formula the function as

$$y = f(x) = mx + b$$

where m is the slope of the line and b is the y-intercept.

The coordinate geometry of lines is reviewed in Appendix B.

A characteristic feature of linear functions is that they grow at a constant rate. For instance, Figure 2 shows a graph of the linear function f(x) = 3x - 2 and a table of sample values. Notice that whenever x increases by 0.1, the value of f(x) increases by 0.3. So f(x) increases three times as fast as x. Thus the slope of the graph y = 3x - 2, namely 3, can be interpreted as the rate of change of y with respect to x.



f(x) = 3x - 2
1.0
1.3
1.6
1.9
2.2
2.5

FIGURE 2

## M EXAMPLE I

(a) As dry air moves upward, it expands and cools. If the ground temperature is  $20^{\circ}$ C and the temperature at a height of 1 km is  $10^{\circ}$ C, express the temperature T (in  $^{\circ}$ C) as a function of the height h (in kilometers), assuming that a linear model is appropriate.

(b) Draw the graph of the function in part (a). What does the slope represent?

(c) What is the temperature at a height of 2.5 km?

#### SOLUTION

(a) Because we are assuming that T is a linear function of h, we can write

$$T = mh + b$$

We are given that T = 20 when h = 0, so

$$20 = m \cdot 0 + b = b$$

In other words, the y-intercept is b = 20.

We are also given that T = 10 when h = 1, so

$$10 = m \cdot 1 + 20$$

The slope of the line is therefore m = 10 - 20 = -10 and the required linear function is

$$T = -10h + 20$$

(b) The graph is sketched in Figure 3. The slope is  $m = -10^{\circ}\text{C/km}$ , and this represents the rate of change of temperature with respect to height.

(c) At a height of h = 2.5 km, the temperature is

$$T = -10(2.5) + 20 = -5^{\circ}C$$

If there is no physical law or principle to help us formulate a model, we construct an **empirical model**, which is based entirely on collected data. We seek a curve that "fits" the data in the sense that it captures the basic trend of the data points.

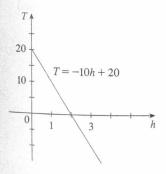


FIGURE 3

SOLUTION We use the data in Table 1 to make the scatter plot in Figure 4, where t represents time (in years) and C represents the  $CO_2$  level (in parts per million, ppm).

TABLE I

Year	CO <sub>2</sub> level (in ppm)	Year	CO <sub>2</sub> level (in ppm)
1980	338.7	1992	356.4
1982	341.1	1994	358.9
1984	344.4	1996	362.6
1986	347.2	1998	366.6
1988	351.5	2000	369.4
1990	354.2	2002	372.9

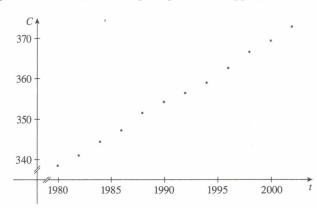


FIGURE 4 Scatter plot for the average CO2 level

Notice that the data points appear to lie close to a straight line, so it's natural to choose a linear model in this case. But there are many possible lines that approximate these data points, so which one should we use? From the graph, it appears that one possibility is the line that passes through the first and last data points. The slope of this line is

$$\frac{372.9 - 338.7}{2002 - 1980} = \frac{34.2}{22} \approx 1.5545$$

and its equation is

$$C - 338.7 = 1.5545(t - 1980)$$

or

$$C = 1.5545t - 2739.21$$

Equation 1 gives one possible linear model for the carbon dioxide level; it is graphed in Figure 5.

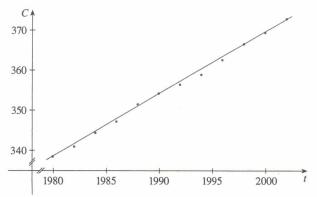


FIGURE 5
Linear model through first and last data points

Although our model fits the data reasonably well, it gives values higher than most of the actual CO<sub>2</sub> levels. A better linear model is obtained by a procedure from statistics

■ A computer or graphing calculator finds the regression line by the method of least squares, which is to minimize the sum of the squares of the vertical distances between the data points and the line. The details are explained in Section 14.7.

called *linear regression*. If we use a graphing calculator, we enter the data from Table 1 into the data editor and choose the linear regression command. (With Maple we use the fit[leastsquare] command in the stats package; with Mathematica we use the Fit command.) The machine gives the slope and y-intercept of the regression line as

$$m = 1.55192 \qquad b = -2734.55$$

So our least squares model for the CO2 level is

$$C = 1.55192t - 2734.55$$

In Figure 6 we graph the regression line as well as the data points. Comparing with Figure 5, we see that it gives a better fit than our previous linear model.

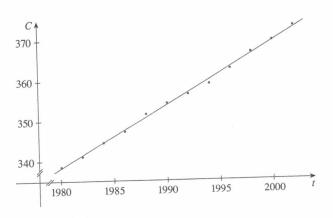


FIGURE 6
The regression line

**EXAMPLE 3** Use the linear model given by Equation 2 to estimate the average  $CO_2$  level for 1987 and to predict the level for the year 2010. According to this model, when will the  $CO_2$  level exceed 400 parts per million?

SOLUTION Using Equation 2 with t = 1987, we estimate that the average  $CO_2$  level in 1987 was

$$C(1987) = (1.55192)(1987) - 2734.55 \approx 349.12$$

This is an example of *interpolation* because we have estimated a value *between* observed values. (In fact, the Mauna Loa Observatory reported that the average CO<sub>2</sub> level in 1987 was 348.93 ppm, so our estimate is quite accurate.)

With t = 2010, we get

$$C(2010) = (1.55192)(2010) - 2734.55 \approx 384.81$$

So we predict that the average  $CO_2$  level in the year 2010 will be 384.8 ppm. This is an example of *extrapolation* because we have predicted a value *outside* the region of observations. Consequently, we are far less certain about the accuracy of our prediction.

Using Equation 2, we see that the CO<sub>2</sub> level exceeds 400 ppm when

$$1.55192t - 2734.55 > 400$$

Solving this inequality, we get

$$t > \frac{3134.55}{1.55192} \approx 2019.79$$

We therefore predict that the  $CO_2$  level will exceed 400 ppm by the year 2019. This prediction is somewhat risky because it involves a time quite remote from our observations.

## POLYNOMIALS

A function P is called a **polynomial** if

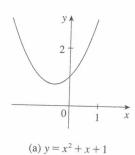
$$P(x) = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \cdots + a_2 x^2 + a_1 x + a_0$$

where n is a nonnegative integer and the numbers  $a_0, a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_n$  are constants called the **coefficients** of the polynomial. The domain of any polynomial is  $\mathbb{R} = (-\infty, \infty)$ . If the leading coefficient  $a_n \neq 0$ , then the **degree** of the polynomial is n. For example, the function

$$P(x) = 2x^6 - x^4 + \frac{2}{5}x^3 + \sqrt{2}$$

is a polynomial of degree 6.

A polynomial of degree 1 is of the form P(x) = mx + b and so it is a linear function. A polynomial of degree 2 is of the form  $P(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$  and is called a **quadratifunction**. Its graph is always a parabola obtained by shifting the parabola  $y = ax^2$ , as w will see in the next section. The parabola opens upward if a > 0 and downward if a < 0 (See Figure 7.)



2 - x

(b)  $y = -2x^2 + 3x + 1$ 

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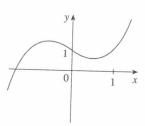
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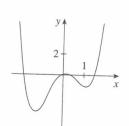
The graphs of quadratic functions are parabolas.

A polynomial of degree 3 is of the form

$$P(x) = ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d$$
  $(a \neq 0)$ 

and is called a **cubic function**. Figure 8 shows the graph of a cubic function in part (a) and graphs of polynomials of degrees 4 and 5 in parts (b) and (c). We will see later why the graphs have these shapes.





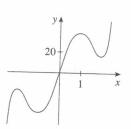


FIGURE 8

(a) 
$$y = x^3 - x + 1$$

(b)  $y = x^4 - 3x^2 + x$ 

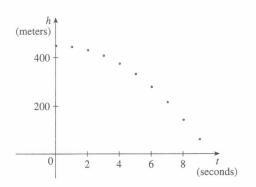
(c)  $y = 3x^5 - 25x^3 + 60x$ 

Polynomials are commonly used to model various quantities that occur in the natural and social sciences. For instance, in Section 3.7 we will explain why economists often use a polynomial P(x) to represent the cost of producing x units of a commodity. In the following example we use a quadratic function to model the fall of a ball.

**EXAMPLE 4** A ball is dropped from the upper observation deck of the CN Tower, 450 m above the ground, and its height h above the ground is recorded at 1-second intervals in Table 2. Find a model to fit the data and use the model to predict the time at which the ball hits the ground.

SOLUTION We draw a scatter plot of the data in Figure 9 and observe that a linear model is inappropriate. But it looks as if the data points might lie on a parabola, so we try a quadratic model instead. Using a graphing calculator or computer algebra system (which uses the least squares method), we obtain the following quadratic model:

 $h = 449.36 + 0.96t - 4.90t^2$ 



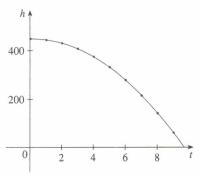


FIGURE 9
Scatter plot for a falling ball

TABLE 2

Time

(seconds)

1

2

3

4 5

6

7

8

Height

(meters)

450

445

431

408

375

332

279

216

143

61

FIGURE 10

Quadratic model for a falling ball

In Figure 10 we plot the graph of Equation 3 together with the data points and see that the quadratic model gives a very good fit.

The ball hits the ground when h = 0, so we solve the quadratic equation

$$-4.90t^2 + 0.96t + 449.36 = 0$$

The quadratic formula gives

$$t = \frac{-0.96 \pm \sqrt{(0.96)^2 - 4(-4.90)(449.36)}}{2(-4.90)}$$

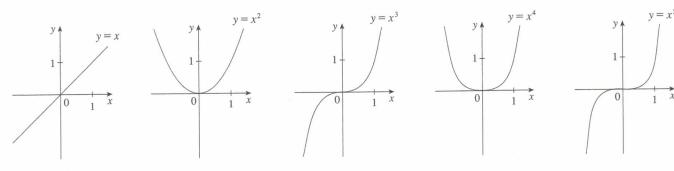
The positive root is  $t \approx 9.67$ , so we predict that the ball will hit the ground after about 9.7 seconds.

### POWER FUNCTIONS

A function of the form  $f(x) = x^a$ , where a is a constant, is called a **power function**. We consider several cases.

## (i) a = n, where n is a positive integer

The graphs of  $f(x) = x^n$  for n = 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 are shown in Figure 11. (These are ponomials with only one term.) We already know the shape of the graphs of y = x (a line through the origin with slope 1) and  $y = x^2$  [a parabola, see Example 2(b) in Section 1



**FIGURE 11** Graphs of  $f(x) = x^n$  for n = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

The general shape of the graph of  $f(x) = x^n$  depends on whether n is even or odd. is even, then  $f(x) = x^n$  is an even function and its graph is similar to the parabola y =If n is odd, then  $f(x) = x^n$  is an odd function and its graph is similar to that of  $y = x^3$  Notice from Figure 12, however, that as n increases, the graph of  $y = x^n$  becomes flat near 0 and steeper when  $|x| \ge 1$ . (If x is small, then  $x^2$  is smaller,  $x^3$  is even smaller, is smaller still, and so on.)

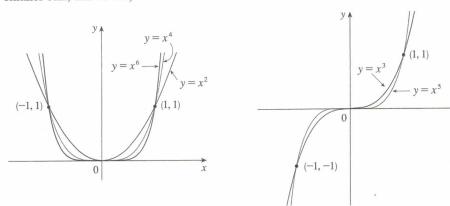


FIGURE 12 Families of power functions

## (ii) a = 1/n, where n is a positive integer

The function  $f(x) = x^{1/n} = \sqrt[n]{x}$  is a **root function**. For n = 2 it is the square root function  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$ , whose domain is  $[0, \infty)$  and whose graph is the upper half of the parabola  $x = y^2$ . [See Figure 13(a).] For other even values of n, the graph of  $y = \sqrt[n]{x}$  similar to that of  $y = \sqrt{x}$ . For n = 3 we have the cube root function  $f(x) = \sqrt[3]{x}$  whose domain is  $\mathbb{R}$  (recall that every real number has a cube root) and whose graph is shown Figure 13(b). The graph of  $y = \sqrt[n]{x}$  for n odd (n > 3) is similar to that of  $y = \sqrt[3]{x}$ .

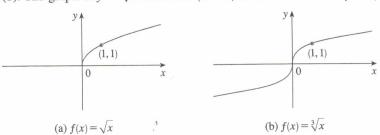


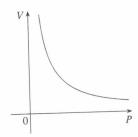
FIGURE 14 The reciprocal function



The graph of the **reciprocal function**  $f(x) = x^{-1} = 1/x$  is shown in Figure 14. Its graph has the equation y = 1/x, or xy = 1, and is a hyperbola with the coordinate axes as its asymptotes. This function arises in physics and chemistry in connection with Boyle's Law, which says that, when the temperature is constant, the volume V of a gas is inversely proportional to the pressure P:

$$V = \frac{C}{P}$$

where C is a constant. Thus the graph of V as a function of P (see Figure 15) has the same general shape as the right half of Figure 14.



### FIGURE 15

Volume as a function of pressure at constant temperature

> Another instance in which a power function is used to model a physical phenomenon is discussed in Exercise 26.

## RATIONAL FUNCTIONS

A **rational function** f is a ratio of two polynomials:

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

where P and Q are polynomials. The domain consists of all values of x such that  $Q(x) \neq 0$ . A simple example of a rational function is the function f(x) = 1/x, whose domain is  $\{x \mid x \neq 0\}$ ; this is the reciprocal function graphed in Figure 14. The function

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

is a rational function with domain  $\{x \mid x \neq \pm 2\}$ . Its graph is shown in Figure 16.

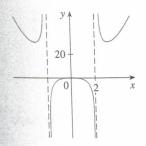


FIGURE 16

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

# ALGEBRAIC FUNCTIONS

A function f is called an **algebraic function** if it can be constructed using algebraic operations (such as addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, and taking roots) starting with polynomials. Any rational function is automatically an algebraic function. Here are two more examples:

$$f(x) = \sqrt{x^2 + 1}$$
  $g(x) = \frac{x^4 - 16x^2}{x + \sqrt{x}} + (x - 2)\sqrt[3]{x + 1}$ 

When we sketch algebraic functions in Chapter 4, we will see that their graphs can assume a variety of shapes. Figure 17 illustrates some of the possibilities.

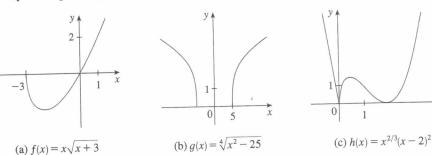


FIGURE 17

An example of an algebraic function occurs in the theory of relativity. The mass of a particle with velocity v is

$$m = f(v) = \frac{m_0}{\sqrt{1 - v^2/c^2}}$$

where  $m_0$  is the rest mass of the particle and  $c = 3.0 \times 10^5$  km/s is the speed of light in a vacuum.

## TRIGONOMETRIC FUNCTIONS

■ The Reference Pages are located at the front and back of the book.

Trigonometry and the trigonometric functions are reviewed on Reference Page 2 and also in Appendix D. In calculus the convention is that radian measure is always used (except when otherwise indicated). For example, when we use the function  $f(x) = \sin x$ , it is understood that  $\sin x$  means the sine of the angle whose radian measure is x. Thus the graphs of the sine and cosine functions are as shown in Figure 18.

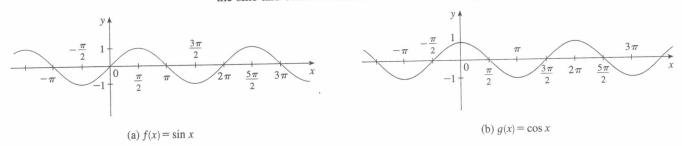


FIGURE 18

Notice that for both the sine and cosine functions the domain is  $(-\infty, \infty)$  and the range is the closed interval [-1, 1]. Thus, for all values of x, we have

$$-1 \le \sin x \le 1 \qquad -1 \le \cos x \le 1$$

or, in terms of absolute values,

$$|\sin x| \le 1 \qquad |\cos x| \le 1$$

Also, the zeros of the sine function occur at the integer multiples of  $\pi$ ; that is,

$$\sin x = 0$$
 when  $x = n\pi$  n an integer

An important property of the sine and cosine functions is that they are periodic functions and have period  $2\pi$ . This means that, for all values of x,

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

The periodic nature of these functions makes them suitable for modeling repetitive phenomena such as tides, vibrating springs, and sound waves. For instance, in Example 4 in Section 1.3 we will see that a reasonable model for the number of hours of daylight in Philadelphia t days after January 1 is given by the function

$$L(t) = 12 + 2.8 \sin \left[ \frac{2\pi}{365} (t - 80) \right]$$

The tangent function is related to the sine and cosine functions by the equation

$$\tan x = \frac{\sin x}{\cos x}$$

and its graph is shown in Figure 19. It is undefined whenever  $\cos x = 0$ , that is, when  $x = \pm \pi/2, \pm 3\pi/2, \ldots$  Its range is  $(-\infty, \infty)$ . Notice that the tangent function has period  $\pi$ :

$$\tan(x + \pi) = \tan x$$
 for all x

The remaining three trigonometric functions (cosecant, secant, and cotangent) are the reciprocals of the sine, cosine, and tangent functions. Their graphs are shown in Appendix D.

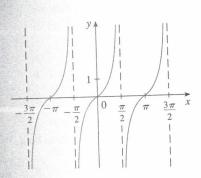


FIGURE 19  $y = \tan x$ 

## EXPONENTIAL FUNCTIONS

The **exponential functions** are the functions of the form  $f(x) = a^x$ , where the base a is a positive constant. The graphs of  $y = 2^x$  and  $y = (0.5)^x$  are shown in Figure 20. In both cases the domain is  $(-\infty, \infty)$  and the range is  $(0, \infty)$ .

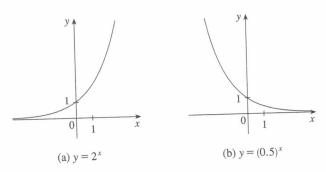


FIGURE 20

Exponential functions will be studied in detail in Section 1.5, and we will see that they are useful for modeling many natural phenomena, such as population growth (if a > 1) and radioactive decay (if a < 1).

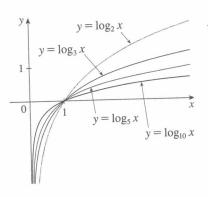


FIGURE 21

## LOGARITHMIC FUNCTIONS

The **logarithmic functions**  $f(x) = \log_a x$ , where the base a is a positive constant, are inverse functions of the exponential functions. They will be studied in Section 1.6. Further ure 21 shows the graphs of four logarithmic functions with various bases. In each case domain is  $(0, \infty)$ , the range is  $(-\infty, \infty)$ , and the function increases slowly when x > 1.

# TRANSCENDENTAL FUNCTIONS

These are functions that are not algebraic. The set of transcendental functions includes trigonometric, inverse trigonometric, exponential, and logarithmic functions, but it includes a vast number of other functions that have never been named. In Chapter 11 will study transcendental functions that are defined as sums of infinite series.

**EXAMPLE 5** Classify the following functions as one of the types of functions that we have discussed.

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

(b) 
$$g(x) = x^5$$

(c) 
$$h(x) = \frac{1+x}{1-\sqrt{x}}$$

(d) 
$$u(t) = 1 - t + 5t^4$$

SOLUTION

(a)  $f(x) = 5^x$  is an exponential function. (The x is the exponent.)

(b)  $g(x) = x^5$  is a power function. (The x is the base.) We could also consider it to b polynomial of degree 5.

(c)  $h(x) = \frac{1+x}{1-\sqrt{x}}$  is an algebraic function.

(d)  $u(t) = 1 - t + 5t^4$  is a polynomial of degree 4.

# 1.2 EXERCISES

**I–2** Classify each function as a power function, root function, polynomial (state its degree), rational function, algebraic function, trigonometric function, exponential function, or logarithmic function.

1. (a) 
$$f(x) = \sqrt[5]{x}$$

(b) 
$$g(x) = \sqrt{1 - x^2}$$

(c) 
$$h(x) = x^9 + x^4$$

(d) 
$$r(x) = \frac{x^2 + 1}{x^3 + x}$$

(e) 
$$s(x) = \tan 2x$$

$$(f) t(x) = \log_{10} x$$

**2.** (a) 
$$y = \frac{x-6}{x+6}$$

(b) 
$$y = x + \frac{x^2}{\sqrt{x-1}}$$

(c) 
$$y = 10^x$$

(d) 
$$y = x^{10}$$

(e) 
$$y = 2t^6 + t^4 - \pi$$

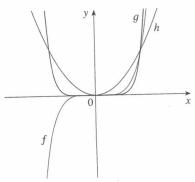
(f) 
$$y = \cos \theta + \sin \theta$$

**3–4** Match each equation with its graph. Explain your choice (Don't use a computer or graphing calculator.).

3. (a) 
$$y = x^2$$

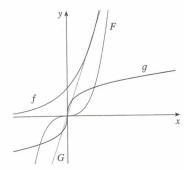
(b) 
$$y = x^5$$

(c) 
$$y = x^8$$

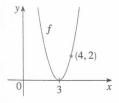


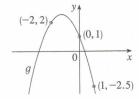


(b) 
$$y = 3^x$$
  
(d)  $y = \sqrt[3]{x}$ 



- (a) Find an equation for the family of linear functions with slope 2 and sketch several members of the family.
  - (b) Find an equation for the family of linear functions such that f(2) = 1 and sketch several members of the family.
  - (c) Which function belongs to both families?
- **6.** What do all members of the family of linear functions f(x) = 1 + m(x + 3) have in common? Sketch several members of the family.
- 7. What do all members of the family of linear functions f(x) = c x have in common? Sketch several members of the family.
- 8. Find expressions for the quadratic functions whose graphs are shown.

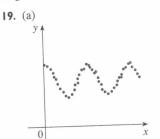


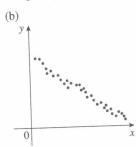


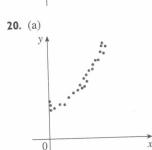
- **9.** Find an expression for a cubic function f if f(1) = 6 and f(-1) = f(0) = f(2) = 0.
- 10. Recent studies indicate that the average surface temperature of the earth has been rising steadily. Some scientists have modeled the temperature by the linear function T = 0.02t + 8.50, where T is temperature in °C and t represents years since 1900.
  - (a) What do the slope and T-intercept represent?
  - (b) Use the equation to predict the average global surface temperature in 2100.
- 11. If the recommended adult dosage for a drug is D (in mg), then to determine the appropriate dosage c for a child of age a, pharmacists use the equation c = 0.0417D(a+1). Suppose the dosage for an adult is 200 mg.
  - (a) Find the slope of the graph of c. What does it represent?
  - (b) What is the dosage for a newborn?

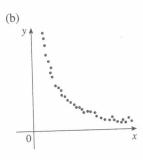
- 12. The manager of a weekend flea market knows from past experience that if he charges x dollars for a rental space at the market, then the number y of spaces he can rent is given by the equation y = 200 4x.
  - (a) Sketch a graph of this linear function. (Remember that the rental charge per space and the number of spaces rented can't be negative quantities.)
  - (b) What do the slope, the *y*-intercept, and the *x*-intercept of the graph represent?
- **13.** The relationship between the Fahrenheit (F) and Celsius (C) temperature scales is given by the linear function  $F = \frac{2}{5}C + 32$ .
  - (a) Sketch a graph of this function.
  - (b) What is the slope of the graph and what does it represent? What is the *F*-intercept and what does it represent?
- **14.** Jason leaves Detroit at 2:00 PM and drives at a constant speed west along I-96. He passes Ann Arbor, 40 mi from Detroit, at 2:50 PM.
  - (a) Express the distance traveled in terms of the time elapsed.
  - (b) Draw the graph of the equation in part (a).
  - (c) What is the slope of this line? What does it represent?
- 15. Biologists have noticed that the chirping rate of crickets of a certain species is related to temperature, and the relationship appears to be very nearly linear. A cricket produces 113 chirps per minute at 70°F and 173 chirps per minute at 80°F.
  - (a) Find a linear equation that models the temperature T as a function of the number of chirps per minute N.
  - (b) What is the slope of the graph? What does it represent?
  - (c) If the crickets are chirping at 150 chirps per minute, estimate the temperature.
- **16.** The manager of a furniture factory finds that it costs \$2200 to manufacture 100 chairs in one day and \$4800 to produce 300 chairs in one day.
  - (a) Express the cost as a function of the number of chairs produced, assuming that it is linear. Then sketch the graph.
  - (b) What is the slope of the graph and what does it represent?
  - (c) What is the *y*-intercept of the graph and what does it represent?
- 17. At the surface of the ocean, the water pressure is the same as the air pressure above the water, 15 lb/in². Below the surface, the water pressure increases by 4.34 lb/in² for every 10 ft of descent.
  - (a) Express the water pressure as a function of the depth below the ocean surface.
  - (b) At what depth is the pressure 100 lb/in<sup>2</sup>?

- 18. The monthly cost of driving a car depends on the number of miles driven. Lynn found that in May it cost her \$380 to drive 480 mi and in June it cost her \$460 to drive 800 mi.
  - (a) Express the monthly cost *C* as a function of the distance driven *d*, assuming that a linear relationship gives a suitable model.
  - (b) Use part (a) to predict the cost of driving 1500 miles per month.
  - (c) Draw the graph of the linear function. What does the slope represent?
  - (d) What does the y-intercept represent?
  - (e) Why does a linear function give a suitable model in this situation?
  - 19-20 For each scatter plot, decide what type of function you might choose as a model for the data. Explain your choices.









**21.** The table shows (lifetime) peptic ulcer rates (per 100 population) for various family incomes as reported by the National Health Interview Survey.

Income	Ulcer rate (per 100 population)	
\$4,000	14.1	
\$6,000	13.0	
\$8,000	13.4	
\$12,000	12.5	
\$16,000	12.0	
\$20,000	12.4	
\$30,000	10.5	
\$45,000	9.4	
\$60,000	8.2	

(a) Make a scatter plot of these data and decide whether a linear model is appropriate.

- (b) Find and graph a linear model using the first and last data points.
- (c) Find and graph the least squares regression line.
- (d) Use the linear model in part (c) to estimate the ulcer rate for an income of \$25,000.
- (e) According to the model, how likely is someone with an income of \$80,000 to suffer from peptic ulcers?
- (f) Do you think it would be reasonable to apply the model to someone with an income of \$200,000?
- 22. Biologists have observed that the chirping rate of crickets of a certain species appears to be related to temperature. The table shows the chirping rates for various temperatures.

Temperature (°F)	Chirping rate (chirps/min)	Temperature (°F)	Chirping rate (chirps/min)
50 55 60 65 70	20 46 79 91 113	75 80 85 90	140 173 198 211

- (a) Make a scatter plot of the data.
- (b) Find and graph the regression line.
- (c) Use the linear model in part (b) to estimate the chirping rate at 100°F.
- 23. The table gives the winning heights for the Olympic pole vault competitions in the 20th century.

Year	Height (ft)	Year	Height (ft)
1900	10.83	1956	14.96
1904	11.48	1960	15.42
1908	12.17	1964	16.73
1912	12.96	1968	17.71
1920	13.42	1972	18.04
1924	12.96	1976	18.04
1928	13.77	1980	18.96
1932	14.15	1984	18.85
1936	14.27	1988	19.77
1948	14.10	1992	19.02
1952	14.92	1996	19.42

- (a) Make a scatter plot and decide whether a linear model is appropriate.
- (b) Find and graph the regression line.
- (c) Use the linear model to predict the height of the winning pole vault at the 2000 Olympics and compare with the actual winning height of 19.36 feet.
- (d) Is it reasonable to use the model to predict the winning height at the 2100 Olympics?

24. A study by the US Office of Science and Technology in 1972 estimated the cost (in 1972 dollars) to reduce automobile emissions by certain percentages:

Reduction in emissions (%)	Cost per car (in \$)	Reduction in emissions (%)	Cost per car (in \$)
50	45	75	90
55	55	80	100
60	62	85	200
65	70	90	375
70	80	95	600

Find a model that captures the "diminishing returns" trend of these data.

Use the data in the table to model the population of the world in the 20th century by a cubic function. Then use your model to estimate the population in the year 1925.

Year	Population (millions)	Year	Population (millions)
1900	1650	1960	3040
1910	1750	1970	3710
1920	1860	1980	4450
1930	2070	1990	5280
1940	2300	2000	6080
1950	2560		

 $\frown$  26. The table shows the mean (average) distances d of the planets from the sun (taking the unit of measurement to be the distance from the earth to the sun) and their periods T (time of revolution in years).

Planet	d	T
Mercury	0.387	0.241
Venus	0.723	0.615
Earth	1.000	1.000
Mars	1.523	1.881
Jupiter	5.203	11.861
Saturn	9.541	29.457
Uranus	19.190	84.008
Neptune	30.086	164.784

- (a) Fit a power model to the data.
- (b) Kepler's Third Law of Planetary Motion states that

"The square of the period of revolution of a planet is proportional to the cube of its mean distance from the sun."

Does your model corroborate Kepler's Third Law?

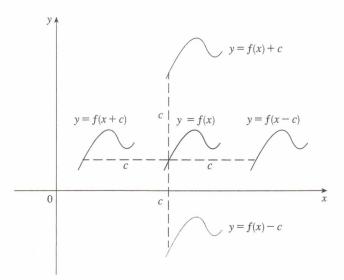
# 1.3 NEW FUNCTIONS FROM OLD FUNCTIONS

In this section we start with the basic functions we discussed in Section 1.2 and obtain new functions by shifting, stretching, and reflecting their graphs. We also show how to combine pairs of functions by the standard arithmetic operations and by composition.

## TRANSFORMATIONS OF FUNCTIONS

By applying certain transformations to the graph of a given function we can obtain the graphs of certain related functions. This will give us the ability to sketch the graphs of many functions quickly by hand. It will also enable us to write equations for given graphs. Let's first consider **translations**. If c is a positive number, then the graph of y = f(x) + c is just the graph of y = f(x) shifted upward a distance of c units (because each y-coordinate is increased by the same number c). Likewise, if g(x) = f(x - c), where c > 0, then the value of g at x is the same as the value of f at x - c (c units to the left of x). Therefore, the graph of y = f(x - c) is just the graph of y = f(x) shifted c units to the right (see Figure 1).

**VERTICAL AND HORIZONTAL SHIFTS** Suppose c > 0. To obtain the graph of y = f(x) + c, shift the graph of y = f(x) a distance c units upward y = f(x) - c, shift the graph of y = f(x) a distance c units downward y = f(x - c), shift the graph of y = f(x) a distance c units to the right y = f(x + c), shift the graph of y = f(x) a distance c units to the left



y = cf(x) (c > 1) y = f(x)  $y = \frac{1}{c}f(x)$  y = -f(x)

**FIGURE 1** Translating the graph of *f* 

**FIGURE 2** Stretching and reflecting the graph of *f* 

Now let's consider the **stretching** and **reflecting** transformations. If c > 1, then the graph of y = cf(x) is the graph of y = f(x) stretched by a factor of c in the vertical direction (because each y-coordinate is multiplied by the same number c). The graph of y = -f(x) is the graph of y = f(x) reflected about the x-axis because the point (x, y) is replaced by the point (x, -y). (See Figure 2 and the following chart, where the results of other stretching, compressing, and reflecting transformations are also given.)

VERTICAL AND HORIZONTAL STRETCHING AND REFLECTING Suppose c > 1. To obtain the graph of

y = cf(x), stretch the graph of y = f(x) vertically by a factor of c

y = (1/c)f(x), compress the graph of y = f(x) vertically by a factor of c

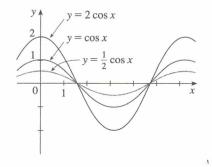
y = f(cx), compress the graph of y = f(x) horizontally by a factor of c

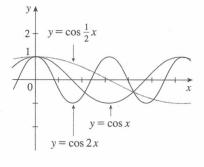
y = f(x/c), stretch the graph of y = f(x) horizontally by a factor of c

y = -f(x), reflect the graph of y = f(x) about the x-axis

y = f(-x), reflect the graph of y = f(x) about the y-axis

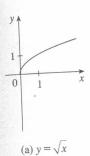
Figure 3 illustrates these stretching transformations when applied to the cosine function with c=2. For instance, in order to get the graph of  $y=2\cos x$  we multiply the y-coordinate of each point on the graph of  $y=\cos x$  by 2. This means that the graph of  $y=\cos x$  gets stretched vertically by a factor of 2.

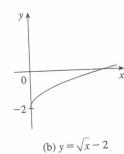


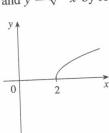


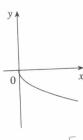
**VEXAMPLE** I Given the graph of  $y = \sqrt{x}$ , use transformations to graph  $y = \sqrt{x} - 2$ ,  $y = \sqrt{x - 2}$ ,  $y = -\sqrt{x}$ ,  $y = 2\sqrt{x}$ , and  $y = \sqrt{-x}$ .

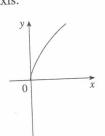
SOLUTION The graph of the square root function  $y = \sqrt{x}$ , obtained from Figure 13(a) in Section 1.2, is shown in Figure 4(a). In the other parts of the figure we sketch  $y = \sqrt{x} - 2$  by shifting 2 units downward,  $y = \sqrt{x} - 2$  by shifting 2 units to the right,  $y = -\sqrt{x}$  by reflecting about the x-axis,  $y = 2\sqrt{x}$  by stretching vertically by a factor of 2, and  $y = \sqrt{-x}$  by reflecting about the y-axis.

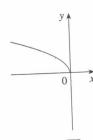












(d) 
$$y = -\sqrt{x}$$
 (e)  $y = 2\sqrt{x}$ 

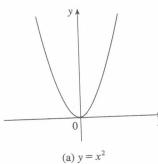
FIGURE 4

**EXAMPLE 2** Sketch the graph of the function  $f(x) = x^2 + 6x + 10$ .

SOLUTION Completing the square, we write the equation of the graph as

$$y = x^2 + 6x + 10 = (x + 3)^2 + 1$$

This means we obtain the desired graph by starting with the parabola  $y = x^2$  and shifting 3 units to the left and then 1 unit upward (see Figure 5).



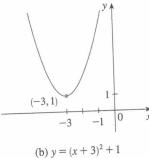


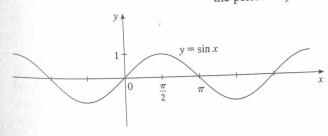
FIGURE 5

**EXAMPLE 3** Sketch the graphs of the following functions.

(a) 
$$y = \sin 2x$$

(b) 
$$y = 1 - \sin x$$

(a) We obtain the graph of  $y = \sin 2x$  from that of  $y = \sin x$  by compressing horizontally by a factor of 2 (see Figures 6 and 7). Thus, whereas the period of  $y = \sin x$  is  $2\pi$ , the period of  $y = \sin 2x$  is  $2\pi/2 = \pi$ .



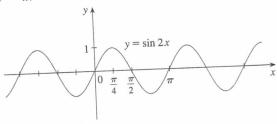
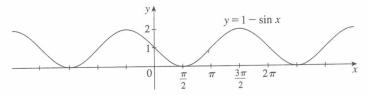


FIGURE 7

(b) To obtain the graph of  $y = 1 - \sin x$ , we again start with  $y = \sin x$ . We reflect about the x-axis to get the graph of  $y = -\sin x$  and then we shift 1 unit upward to get  $y = 1 - \sin x$ . (See Figure 8.)



#### FIGURE 8

**EXAMPLE 4** Figure 9 shows graphs of the number of hours of daylight as functions of the time of the year at several latitudes. Given that Philadelphia is located at approximately 40°N latitude, find a function that models the length of daylight at Philadelphia.

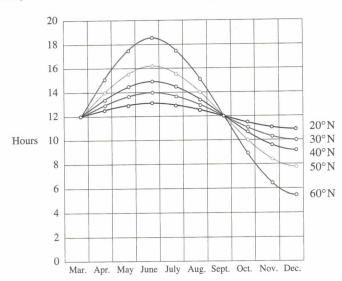


FIGURE 9

Graph of the length of daylight from March 21 through December 21 at various latitudes

Lucia C. Harrison, *Daylight, Twilight, Darkness and Time* (New York: Silver, Burdett, 1935) page 40.

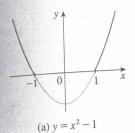
SOLUTION Notice that each curve resembles a shifted and stretched sine function. By looking at the blue curve we see that, at the latitude of Philadelphia, daylight lasts about 14.8 hours on June 21 and 9.2 hours on December 21, so the amplitude of the curve (the factor by which we have to stretch the sine curve vertically) is  $\frac{1}{2}(14.8 - 9.2) = 2.8$ .

By what factor do we need to stretch the sine curve horizontally if we measure the time t in days? Because there are about 365 days in a year, the period of our model should be 365. But the period of  $y = \sin t$  is  $2\pi$ , so the horizontal stretching factor is  $c = 2\pi/365$ .

We also notice that the curve begins its cycle on March 21, the 80th day of the year, so we have to shift the curve 80 units to the right. In addition, we shift it 12 units upward. Therefore we model the length of daylight in Philadelphia on the *t*th day of the year by the function

$$L(t) = 12 + 2.8 \sin\left[\frac{2\pi}{365}(t - 80)\right]$$

Another transformation of some interest is taking the *absolute value* of a function. y = |f(x)|, then according to the definition of absolute value, y = f(x) when  $f(x) \ge 0$  and y = -f(x) when f(x) < 0. This tells us how to get the graph of y = |f(x)| from the graph of y = f(x): The part of the graph that lies above the x-axis remains the same; the part the lies below the x-axis is reflected about the x-axis.



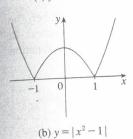


FIGURE 10

g g(x)  $f \circ g$  f(g(x)) (output)

**FIGURE 11** The  $f \circ g$  machine is composed of the g machine (first) and then the f machine.

**EXAMPLE 5** Sketch the graph of the function  $y = |x^2 - 1|$ .

SOLUTION We first graph the parabola  $y = x^2 - 1$  in Figure 10(a) by shifting the parabola  $y = x^2$  downward 1 unit. We see that the graph lies below the x-axis when -1 < x < 1, so we reflect that part of the graph about the x-axis to obtain the graph of  $y = |x^2 - 1|$  in Figure 10(b).

## COMBINATIONS OF FUNCTIONS

Two functions f and g can be combined to form new functions f+g, f-g, fg, and f/g in a manner similar to the way we add, subtract, multiply, and divide real numbers. The sum and difference functions are defined by

$$(f+g)(x) = f(x) + g(x)$$
  $(f-g)(x) = f(x) - g(x)$ 

If the domain of f is A and the domain of g is B, then the domain of f+g is the intersection  $A\cap B$  because both f(x) and g(x) have to be defined. For example, the domain of  $f(x)=\sqrt{x}$  is  $A=[0,\infty)$  and the domain of  $g(x)=\sqrt{2-x}$  is  $B=(-\infty,2]$ , so the domain of  $(f+g)(x)=\sqrt{x}+\sqrt{2-x}$  is  $A\cap B=[0,2]$ .

Similarly, the product and quotient functions are defined by

$$(fg)(x) = f(x)g(x)$$
 
$$\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(x) = \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$$

The domain of fg is  $A \cap B$ , but we can't divide by 0 and so the domain of f/g is  $\{x \in A \cap B \mid g(x) \neq 0\}$ . For instance, if  $f(x) = x^2$  and g(x) = x - 1, then the domain of the rational function  $(f/g)(x) = x^2/(x - 1)$  is  $\{x \mid x \neq 1\}$ , or  $(-\infty, 1) \cup (1, \infty)$ .

There is another way of combining two functions to obtain a new function. For example, suppose that  $y = f(u) = \sqrt{u}$  and  $u = g(x) = x^2 + 1$ . Since y is a function of u and u is, in turn, a function of x, it follows that y is ultimately a function of x. We compute this by substitution:

$$y = f(u) = f(g(x)) = f(x^2 + 1) = \sqrt{x^2 + 1}$$

The procedure is called *composition* because the new function is *composed* of the two given functions f and g.

In general, given any two functions f and g, we start with a number x in the domain of g and find its image g(x). If this number g(x) is in the domain of f, then we can calculate the value of f(g(x)). The result is a new function h(x) = f(g(x)) obtained by substituting g into f. It is called the *composition* (or *composite*) of f and g and is denoted by  $f \circ g$  ("f circle g").

**DEFINITION** Given two functions f and g, the **composite function**  $f \circ g$  (also called the **composition** of f and g) is defined by

$$(f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x))$$

The domain of  $f \circ g$  is the set of all x in the domain of g such that g(x) is in the domain of f. In other words,  $(f \circ g)(x)$  is defined whenever both g(x) and f(g(x)) are defined. Figure 11 shows how to picture  $f \circ g$  in terms of machines.

If  $0 \le a \le b$ , then  $a^2 \le b^2$ .

**EXAMPLE 6** If  $f(x) = x^2$  and g(x) = x - 3, find the composite functions  $f \circ g$ and  $g \circ f$ .

SOLUTION We have

$$(f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x)) = f(x - 3) = (x - 3)^{2}$$

$$(g \circ f)(x) = g(f(x)) = g(x^{2}) = x^{2} - 3$$

NOTE You can see from Example 6 that, in general,  $f \circ g \neq g \circ f$ . Remember, the notation  $f \circ g$  means that the function g is applied first and then f is applied second. In Example 6,  $f \circ g$  is the function that first subtracts 3 and then squares;  $g \circ f$  is the function that first squares and then subtracts 3.

**VEXAMPLE 7** If  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$  and  $g(x) = \sqrt{2-x}$ , find each function and its domain. (a)  $f \circ g$  (b)  $g \circ f$  (c)  $f \circ f$  (d)  $g \circ g$ 

(a) 
$$f \circ g$$

SOLUTION

SOLUTION
(a) 
$$(f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x)) = f(\sqrt{2-x}) = \sqrt{\sqrt{2-x}} = \sqrt[4]{2-x}$$

The domain of  $f \circ g$  is  $\{x \mid 2 - x \ge 0\} = \{x \mid x \le 2\} = (-\infty, 2]$ .

The domain of 
$$f \circ g$$
 is  $(x) = g(f(x)) = g(\sqrt{x}) = \sqrt{2 - \sqrt{x}}$   
(b) 
$$(g \circ f)(x) = g(f(x)) = g(\sqrt{x}) = \sqrt{2 - \sqrt{x}}$$
to be defined as

For  $\sqrt{x}$  to be defined we must have  $x \ge 0$ . For  $\sqrt{2 - \sqrt{x}}$  to be defined we must have  $2-\sqrt{x} \ge 0$ , that is,  $\sqrt{x} \le 2$ , or  $x \le 4$ . Thus we have  $0 \le x \le 4$ , so the domain of  $g \circ f$  is the closed interval [0, 4].

$$g \circ f$$
 is the closed interval  $[0, 4]$ .  
(c)  $(f \circ f)(x) = f(f(x)) = f(\sqrt{x}) = \sqrt[4]{x}$ 

The domain of  $f \circ f$  is  $[0, \infty)$ .

The domain of 
$$f \circ f$$
 is  $[0, \infty)$ .  
(d)  $(g \circ g)(x) = g(g(x)) = g(\sqrt{2-x}) = \sqrt{2-x} \ge 0$ 

This expression is defined when both  $2 - x \ge 0$  and  $2 - \sqrt{2 - x} \ge 0$ . The first inequality means  $x \le 2$ , and the second is equivalent to  $\sqrt{2-x} \le 2$ , or  $2-x \le 4$ , or  $x \ge -2$ . Thus  $-2 \le x \le 2$ , so the domain of  $g \circ g$  is the closed interval [-2, 2].

It is possible to take the composition of three or more functions. For instance, the composite function  $f \circ g \circ h$  is found by first applying h, then g, and then f as follows:

$$(f \circ g \circ h)(x) = f(g(h(x)))$$

**EXAMPLE 8** Find  $f \circ g \circ h$  if f(x) = x/(x + 1),  $g(x) = x^{10}$ , and h(x) = x + 3.

 $(f \circ g \circ h)(x) = f(g(h(x))) = f(g(x + 3))$ SOLUTION

$$= f((x+3)^{10}) = \frac{(x+3)^{10}}{(x+3)^{10} + 1}$$

So far we have used composition to build complicated functions from simpler ones. But in calculus it is often useful to be able to decompose a complicated function into simple ones, as in the following example.

**EXAMPLE 9** Given  $F(x) = \cos^2(x+9)$ , find functions f, g, and h such that  $F = f \circ g \circ h$ . SOLUTION Since  $F(x) = [\cos(x+9)]^2$ , the formula for F says: First add 9, then take the cosine of the result, and finally square. So we let

$$h(x) = x + 9 \qquad g(x) = \cos x \qquad f(x) = x^2$$

Then

$$(f \circ g \circ h)(x) = f(g(h(x))) = f(g(x+9)) = f(\cos(x+9))$$
  
=  $[\cos(x+9)]^2 = F(x)$ 

#### .1.3 **EXERCISES**

- $\blacksquare$ . Suppose the graph of f is given. Write equations for the graphs that are obtained from the graph of f as follows.
  - (a) Shift 3 units upward.
  - (b) Shift 3 units downward.
  - (c) Shift 3 units to the right.
  - (d) Shift 3 units to the left.
  - (e) Reflect about the x-axis.
  - (f) Reflect about the y-axis.
  - (g) Stretch vertically by a factor of 3.
  - (h) Shrink vertically by a factor of 3.
- **2.** Explain how each graph is obtained from the graph of y = f(x).

(a) 
$$y = 5f(x)$$

(b) 
$$y = f(x - 5)$$

(c) 
$$y = -f(x)$$
  
(e)  $y = f(5x)$ 

(d) 
$$y = -5f(x)$$
  
(f)  $y = 5f(x) - 3$ 

**3.** The graph of 
$$y = f(x)$$
 is given. Match each equation with its graph and give reasons for your choices.

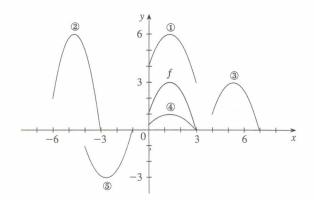
(a) 
$$y = f(x - 4)$$

(b) 
$$y = f(x) + 3$$

(c) 
$$y = \frac{1}{3}f(x)$$

(d) 
$$y = -f(x + 4)$$

(e) 
$$y = 2f(x + 6)$$



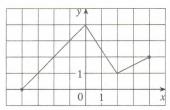
**4.** The graph of f is given. Draw the graphs of the following functions.

(a) 
$$y = f(x + 4)$$

(b) 
$$y = f(x) + 4$$

(c) 
$$y = 2f(x)$$

(d) 
$$y = -\frac{1}{2}f(x) + 3$$



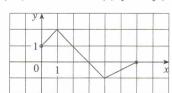
 $\boxed{5.}$  The graph of f is given. Use it to graph the following functions.

(a) 
$$y = f(2x)$$

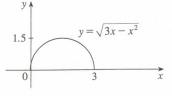
(b) 
$$y = f\left(\frac{1}{2}x\right)$$

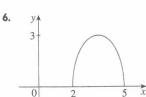
(c) 
$$y = f(-x)$$

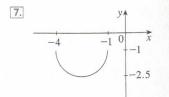
(d) 
$$y = -f(-x)$$



**6-7** The graph of  $y = \sqrt{3x - x^2}$  is given. Use transformations to create a function whose graph is as shown.

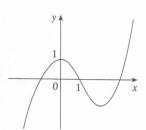






- **8.** (a) How is the graph of  $y = 2 \sin x$  related to the graph of  $y = \sin x$ ? Use your answer and Figure 6 to sketch the graph of  $y = 2 \sin x$ .
  - (b) How is the graph of  $y = 1 + \sqrt{x}$  related to the graph of  $y = \sqrt{x}$ ? Use your answer and Figure 4(a) to sketch the graph of  $y = 1 + \sqrt{x}$ .
- **9–24** Graph the function by hand, not by plotting points, but by starting with the graph of one of the standard functions given in Section 1.2, and then applying the appropriate transformations.
- **9.**  $y = -x^3$

- 10.  $y = 1 x^2$
- 11.  $y = (x + 1)^2$
- 12.  $y = x^2 4x + 3$
- 13.  $y = 1 + 2 \cos x$
- 14.  $y = 4 \sin 3x$
- 15.  $y = \sin(x/2)$
- **16.**  $y = \frac{1}{x-4}$
- 17.  $y = \sqrt{x+3}$
- **18.**  $y = (x + 2)^4 + 3$
- 19.  $y = \frac{1}{2}(x^2 + 8x)$
- **20.**  $y = 1 + \sqrt[3]{x-1}$
- **21.**  $y = \frac{2}{r+1}$
- **22.**  $y = \frac{1}{4} \tan \left( x \frac{\pi}{4} \right)$
- **23.**  $y = |\sin x|$
- **24.**  $y = |x^2 2x|$
- 25. The city of New Orleans is located at latitude 30°N. Use Figure 9 to find a function that models the number of hours of daylight at New Orleans as a function of the time of year. To check the accuracy of your model, use the fact that on March 31 the sun rises at 5:51 AM and sets at 6:18 PM in New Orleans.
- 26. A variable star is one whose brightness alternately increases and decreases. For the most visible variable star, Delta Cephei, the time between periods of maximum brightness is 5.4 days, the average brightness (or magnitude) of the star is 4.0, and its brightness varies by  $\pm 0.35$  magnitude. Find a function that models the brightness of Delta Cephei as a function of time.
- $\boxed{27.}$  (a) How is the graph of y = f(|x|) related to the graph of f?
  - (b) Sketch the graph of  $y = \sin |x|$ .
  - (c) Sketch the graph of  $y = \sqrt{|x|}$ .
- **28.** Use the given graph of f to sketch the graph of y = 1/f(x). Which features of f are the most important in sketching y = 1/f(x)? Explain how they are used.



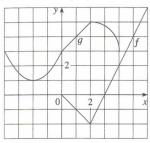
- **29–30** Find f + g, f g, fg, and f/g and state their domains.
- **29.**  $f(x) = x^3 + 2x^2$ ,  $g(x) = 3x^2 1$
- **30.**  $f(x) = \sqrt{3-x}$ ,  $g(x) = \sqrt{x^2-1}$
- **31–36** Find the functions (a)  $f \circ g$ , (b)  $g \circ f$ , (c)  $f \circ f$ , and (d)  $g \circ g$  and their domains.
- **31.**  $f(x) = x^2 1$ , g(x) = 2x + 1
- **32.** f(x) = x 2,  $g(x) = x^2 + 3x + 4$
- **33.** f(x) = 1 3x,  $g(x) = \cos x$
- **34.**  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$ ,  $g(x) = \sqrt[3]{1-x}$
- 35.  $f(x) = x + \frac{1}{x}$ ,  $g(x) = \frac{x+1}{x+2}$
- **36.**  $f(x) = \frac{x}{1+x}$ ,  $g(x) = \sin 2x$
- **37–40** Find  $f \circ g \circ h$ .
- **37.** f(x) = x + 1, g(x) = 2x, h(x) = x 1
- **38.** f(x) = 2x 1,  $g(x) = x^2$ , h(x) = 1 x
- **39.**  $f(x) = \sqrt{x-3}$ ,  $g(x) = x^2$ ,  $h(x) = x^3 + 2$
- **40.**  $f(x) = \tan x$ ,  $g(x) = \frac{x}{x-1}$ ,  $h(x) = \sqrt[3]{x}$
- **41–46** Express the function in the form  $f \circ g$ .
- **41.**  $F(x) = (x^2 + 1)^{10}$
- **42.**  $F(x) = \sin(\sqrt{x})$
- **43.**  $F(x) = \frac{\sqrt[3]{x}}{1 + \sqrt[3]{x}}$
- **44.**  $G(x) = \sqrt[3]{\frac{x}{1+x}}$
- **45.**  $u(t) = \sqrt{\cos t}$
- $\boxed{\textbf{46.}} \ u(t) = \frac{\tan t}{1 + \tan t}$
- **47–49** Express the function in the form  $f \circ g \circ h$ .
- **47.**  $H(x) = 1 3^{x^2}$
- **48.**  $H(x) = \sqrt[8]{2 + |x|}$
- **49.**  $H(x) = \sec^4(\sqrt{x})$
- **50.** Use the table to evaluate each expression.
  - (a) f(g(1))
- (b) g(f(1))
- (c) f(f(1))

- (d) g(g(1))
- (e)  $(g \circ f)(3)$
- (f)  $(f \circ g)(6)$

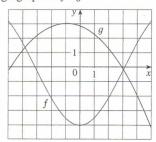
x	1	2	3	4	5	6
f(x)	3	1	4	2	2	5
g(x)	6	3	2	1	2	3

- 51. Use the given graphs of f and g to evaluate each expression, or explain why it is undefined.
  - (a) f(g(2))
- (b) g(f(0))
- (c)  $(f \circ g)(0)$

- (d)  $(g \circ f)(6)$
- (e)  $(g \circ g)(-2)$
- (f)  $(f \circ f)(4)$



**52.** Use the given graphs of f and g to estimate the value of f(g(x)) for  $x = -5, -4, -3, \ldots, 5$ . Use these estimates to sketch a rough graph of  $f \circ g$ .



- **53.** A stone is dropped into a lake, creating a circular ripple that travels outward at a speed of 60 cm/s.
  - (a) Express the radius r of this circle as a function of the time t (in seconds).
  - (b) If A is the area of this circle as a function of the radius, find  $A \circ r$  and interpret it.
- **54.** A spherical balloon is being inflated and the radius of the balloon is increasing at a rate of 2 cm/s.
  - (a) Express the radius *r* of the balloon as a function of the time *t* (in seconds).
  - (b) If V is the volume of the balloon as a function of the radius, find  $V \circ r$  and interpret it.
- **55.** A ship is moving at a speed of 30 km/h parallel to a straight shoreline. The ship is 6 km from shore and it passes a lighthouse at noon.
  - (a) Express the distance s between the lighthouse and the ship as a function of d, the distance the ship has traveled since noon; that is, find f so that s = f(d).
  - (b) Express d as a function of t, the time elapsed since noon; that is, find q so that d = q(t).
  - (c) Find  $f \circ g$ . What does this function represent?
- **56.** An airplane is flying at a speed of 350 mi/h at an altitude of one mile and passes directly over a radar station at time t = 0.
  - (a) Express the horizontal distance d (in miles) that the plane has flown as a function of t.
  - (b) Express the distance s between the plane and the radar station as a function of d.
  - (c) Use composition to express s as a function of t.

**57.** The **Heaviside function** H is defined by

$$H(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } t < 0\\ 1 & \text{if } t \ge 0 \end{cases}$$

It is used in the study of electric circuits to represent the sudden surge of electric current, or voltage, when a switch is instantaneously turned on.

- (a) Sketch the graph of the Heaviside function.
- (b) Sketch the graph of the voltage V(t) in a circuit if the switch is turned on at time t = 0 and 120 volts are applied instantaneously to the circuit. Write a formula for V(t) in terms of H(t).
- (c) Sketch the graph of the voltage V(t) in a circuit if the switch is turned on at time t=5 seconds and 240 volts are applied instantaneously to the circuit. Write a formula for V(t) in terms of H(t). (Note that starting at t=5 corresponds to a translation.)
- **58.** The Heaviside function defined in Exercise 57 can also be used to define the **ramp function** y = ctH(t), which represents a gradual increase in voltage or current in a circuit.
  - (a) Sketch the graph of the ramp function y = tH(t).
  - (b) Sketch the graph of the voltage V(t) in a circuit if the switch is turned on at time t = 0 and the voltage is gradually increased to 120 volts over a 60-second time interval. Write a formula for V(t) in terms of H(t) for  $t \le 60$ .
  - (c) Sketch the graph of the voltage V(t) in a circuit if the switch is turned on at time t=7 seconds and the voltage is gradually increased to 100 volts over a period of 25 seconds. Write a formula for V(t) in terms of H(t) for  $t \le 32$ .
- **59.** Let f and g be linear functions with equations  $f(x) = m_1x + b_1$  and  $g(x) = m_2x + b_2$ . Is  $f \circ g$  also a linear function? If so, what is the slope of its graph?
- **60.** If you invest x dollars at 4% interest compounded annually, then the amount A(x) of the investment after one year is A(x) = 1.04x. Find  $A \circ A$ ,  $A \circ A \circ A$ , and  $A \circ A \circ A$ . What do these compositions represent? Find a formula for the composition of n copies of A.
- **61.** (a) If g(x) = 2x + 1 and  $h(x) = 4x^2 + 4x + 7$ , find a function f such that  $f \circ g = h$ . (Think about what operations you would have to perform on the formula for g to end up with the formula for h.)
  - (b) If f(x) = 3x + 5 and  $h(x) = 3x^2 + 3x + 2$ , find a function g such that  $f \circ g = h$ .
- **62.** If f(x) = x + 4 and h(x) = 4x 1, find a function g such that  $g \circ f = h$ .
- **63.** (a) Suppose f and g are even functions. What can you say about f+g and fg?
  - (b) What if f and g are both odd?
- **64.** Suppose f is even and g is odd. What can you say about fg?
- 65. Suppose g is an even function and let  $h = f \circ g$ . Is h always an even function?
- **66.** Suppose g is an odd function and let  $h = f \circ g$ . Is h always an odd function? What if f is odd? What if f is even?

#### 14

(b, d)

(b, c)

x = b

### GRAPHING CALCULATORS AND COMPUTERS

In this section we assume that you have access to a graphing calculator or a computer w graphing software. We will see that the use of such a device enables us to graph more coplicated functions and to solve more complex problems than would otherwise be possib. We also point out some of the pitfalls that can occur with these machines.

Graphing calculators and computers can give very accurate graphs of functions. But will see in Chapter 4 that only through the use of calculus can we be sure that we had uncovered all the interesting aspects of a graph.

A graphing calculator or computer displays a rectangular portion of the graph of a furtion in a **display window** or **viewing screen**, which we refer to as a **viewing rectang**. The default screen often gives an incomplete or misleading picture, so it is important choose the viewing rectangle with care. If we choose the x-values to range from a min mum value of Xmin = a to a maximum value of Xmax = b and the y-values to range from a minimum of Ymin = c to a maximum of Ymax = d, then the visible portion of the graph of a function in a display window or viewing rectangle

$$[a, b] \times [c, d] = \{(x, y) \mid a \le x \le b, c \le y \le d\}$$

shown in Figure 1. We refer to this rectangle as the [a, b] by [c, d] viewing rectangle.

The machine draws the graph of a function f much as you would. It plots points of t form (x, f(x)) for a certain number of equally spaced values of x between a and b. If x-value is not in the domain of f, or if f(x) lies outside the viewing rectangle, it moves to the next x-value. The machine connects each point to the preceding plotted point to for a representation of the graph of f.

**EXAMPLE 1** Draw the graph of the function  $f(x) = x^2 + 3$  in each of the following viewing rectangles.

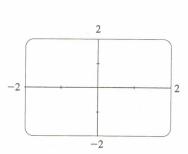
(a) 
$$[-2, 2]$$
 by  $[-2, 2]$ 

(b) 
$$[-4, 4]$$
 by  $[-4, 4]$ 

(c) 
$$[-10, 10]$$
 by  $[-5, 30]$ 

SOLUTION For part (a) we select the range by setting Xmin = -2, Xmax = 2, Ymin = -2, and Ymax = 2. The resulting graph is shown in Figure 2(a). The display window is blank! A moment's thought provides the explanation: Notice that  $x^2 \ge 0$  for all x, so  $x^2 + 3 \ge 3$  for all x. Thus the range of the function  $f(x) = x^2 + 3$  is  $[3, \infty)$ . This means that the graph of f lies entirely outside the viewing rectangle [-2, 2] by [-2, 2]

The graphs for the viewing rectangles in parts (b), (c), and (d) are also shown in Figure 2. Observe that we get a more complete picture in parts (c) and (d), but in part (d) it is not clear that the y-intercept is 3.



(a, d)

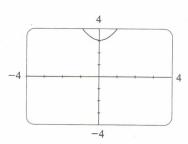
x = a

FIGURE I

y = d

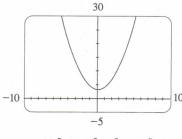
The viewing rectangle [a, b] by [c, d]

(a) [-2, 2] by [-2, 2]

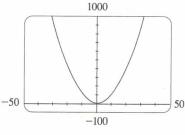


(b) [-4, 4] by [-4, 4]

**FIGURE 2** Graphs of  $f(x) = x^2 + 3$ 



(c) [-10, 10] by [-5, 30]



(d) [-50, 50] by [-100, 1000]

We see from Example 1 that the choice of a viewing rectangle can make a big difference in the appearance of a graph. Often it's necessary to change to a larger viewing rectangle to obtain a more complete picture, a more global view, of the graph. In the next example we see that knowledge of the domain and range of a function sometimes provides us with enough information to select a good viewing rectangle.

**EXAMPLE 2** Determine an appropriate viewing rectangle for the function  $f(x) = \sqrt{8 - 2x^2}$  and use it to graph f.

SOLUTION The expression for f(x) is defined when

$$8 - 2x^2 \ge 0 \iff 2x^2 \le 8 \iff x^2 \le 4$$
  
 $\iff |x| \le 2 \iff -2 \le x \le 2$ 

Therefore the domain of f is the interval [-2, 2]. Also,

$$0 \le \sqrt{8 - 2x^2} \le \sqrt{8} = 2\sqrt{2} \approx 2.83$$

so the range of f is the interval  $[0, 2\sqrt{2}]$ .

We choose the viewing rectangle so that the x-interval is somewhat larger than the domain and the y-interval is larger than the range. Taking the viewing rectangle to be [-3, 3] by [-1, 4], we get the graph shown in Figure 3.

**EXAMPLE 3** Graph the function  $y = x^3 - 150x$ .

SOLUTION Here the domain is  $\mathbb{R}$ , the set of all real numbers. That doesn't help us choose a viewing rectangle. Let's experiment. If we start with the viewing rectangle [-5, 5] by [-5, 5], we get the graph in Figure 4. It appears blank, but actually the graph is so nearly vertical that it blends in with the y-axis.

If we change the viewing rectangle to [-20, 20] by [-20, 20], we get the picture shown in Figure 5(a). The graph appears to consist of vertical lines, but we know that can't be correct. If we look carefully while the graph is being drawn, we see that the graph leaves the screen and reappears during the graphing process. This indicates that we need to see more in the vertical direction, so we change the viewing rectangle to [-20, 20] by [-500, 500]. The resulting graph is shown in Figure 5(b). It still doesn't quite reveal all the main features of the function, so we try [-20, 20] by [-1000, 1000] in Figure 5(c). Now we are more confident that we have arrived at an appropriate viewing rectangle. In Chapter 4 we will be able to see that the graph shown in Figure 5(c) does indeed reveal all the main features of the function.

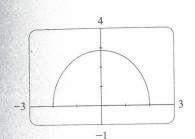


FIGURE 3  $y = \sqrt{8 - 2x^2}$ 

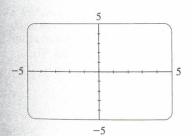
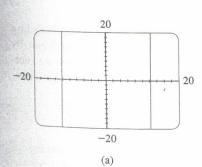
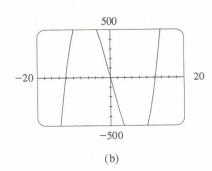
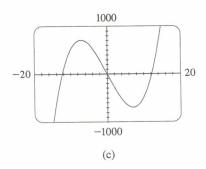


FIGURE 4



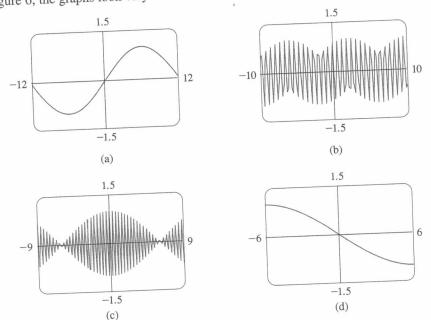
**FIGURE 5**  $y = x^3 - 150x$ 





**Y EXAMPLE 4** Graph the function  $f(x) = \sin 50x$  in an appropriate viewing rectangle.

SOLUTION Figure 6(a) shows the graph of f produced by a graphing calculator using the viewing rectangle [-12, 12] by [-1.5, 1.5]. At first glance the graph appears to be reasonable. But if we change the viewing rectangle to the ones shown in the following parts of Figure 6, the graphs look very different. Something strange is happening.



■ The appearance of the graphs in Figure 6 depends on the machine used. The graphs you get with your own graphing device might not look like these figures, but they will also be quite inaccurate.

FIGURE 6 Graphs of  $f(x) = \sin 50x$ in four viewing rectangles

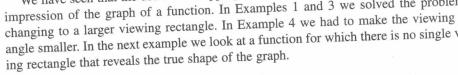
In order to explain the big differences in appearance of these graphs and to find an appropriate viewing rectangle, we need to find the period of the function  $y = \sin 50x$ . We know that the function  $y = \sin x$  has period  $2\pi$  and the graph of  $y = \sin 50x$  is compressed horizontally by a factor of 50, so the period of  $y = \sin 50x$  is

$$\frac{2\pi}{50} = \frac{\pi}{25} \approx 0.126$$

This suggests that we should deal only with small values of x in order to show just a oscillations of the graph. If we choose the viewing rectangle [-0.25, 0.25] by [-1.5,we get the graph shown in Figure 7.

Now we see what went wrong in Figure 6. The oscillations of  $y = \sin 50x$  are so range. that when the calculator plots points and joins them, it misses most of the maximum minimum points and therefore gives a very misleading impression of the graph.

We have seen that the use of an inappropriate viewing rectangle can give a mislea impression of the graph of a function. In Examples 1 and 3 we solved the problem



**V EXAMPLE 5** Graph the function  $f(x) = \sin x + \frac{1}{100}\cos 100x$ .

SOLUTION Figure 8 shows the graph of f produced by a graphing calculator with viewi rectangle [-6.5, 6.5] by [-1.5, 1.5]. It looks much like the graph of  $y = \sin x$ , but p haps with some bumps attached. If we zoom in to the viewing rectangle [-0.1, 0.1] by [-0.1, 0.1], we can see much more clearly the shape of these bumps in Figure 9. The

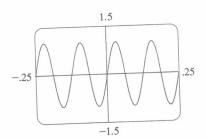
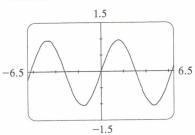


FIGURE 7  $f(x) = \sin 50x$ 

reason for this behavior is that the second term,  $\frac{1}{100} \cos 100x$ , is very small in comparison with the first term,  $\sin x$ . Thus we really need two graphs to see the true nature of this function.



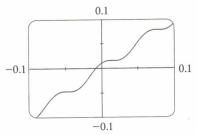


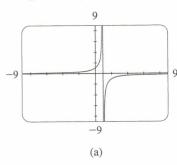
FIGURE 8

FIGURE 9

**EXAMPLE 6** Draw the graph of the function  $y = \frac{1}{1-x}$ .

SOLUTION Figure 10(a) shows the graph produced by a graphing calculator with viewing rectangle [-9, 9] by [-9, 9]. In connecting successive points on the graph, the calculator produced a steep line segment from the top to the bottom of the screen. That line segment is not truly part of the graph. Notice that the domain of the function y = 1/(1-x) is  $\{x \mid x \neq 1\}$ . We can eliminate the extraneous near-vertical line by experimenting with a change of scale. When we change to the smaller viewing rectangle [-4.7, 4.7] by [-4.7, 4.7] on this particular calculator, we obtain the much better graph in Figure 10(b).

Another way to avoid the extraneous line is to change the graphing mode on the calculator so that the dots are not connected.



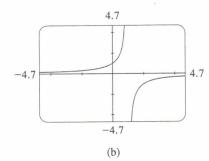
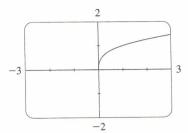


FIGURE 10

**EXAMPLE 7** Graph the function  $y = \sqrt[3]{x}$ .

SOLUTION Some graphing devices display the graph shown in Figure 11, whereas others produce a graph like that in Figure 12. We know from Section 1.2 (Figure 13) that the graph in Figure 12 is correct, so what happened in Figure 11? The explanation is that some machines compute the cube root of x using a logarithm, which is not defined if x is negative, so only the right half of the graph is produced.



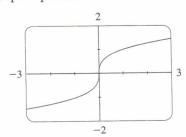


FIGURE II

FIGURE 12

You should experiment with your own machine to see which of these two graphs is produced. If you get the graph in Figure 11, you can obtain the correct picture by graphing the function

$$f(x) = \frac{x}{|x|} \cdot |x|^{1/3}$$

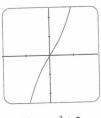
Notice that this function is equal to  $\sqrt[3]{x}$  (except when x = 0).

To understand how the expression for a function relates to its graph, it's helpful to graph a family of functions, that is, a collection of functions whose equations are related. In the next example we graph members of a family of cubic polynomials.

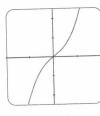
**Y EXAMPLE 8** Graph the function  $y = x^3 + cx$  for various values of the number c. How does the graph change when c is changed?

SOLUTION Figure 13 shows the graphs of  $y = x^3 + cx$  for c = 2, 1, 0, -1, and -2. We see that, for positive values of c, the graph increases from left to right with no maximum or minimum points (peaks or valleys). When c = 0, the curve is flat at the origin. When cis negative, the curve has a maximum point and a minimum point. As c decreases, the maximum point becomes higher and the minimum point lower.

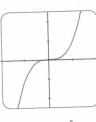
In Visual 1.4 you can see an animation of Figure 13.



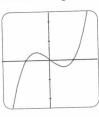
(a)  $y = x^3 + 2x$ 



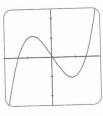
(b) 
$$y = x^3 + x$$



(c)  $y = x^3$ 



(d)  $y = x^3 - x$ 



(e)  $y = x^3 - 2x$ 

FIGURE 13

Several members of the family of functions  $y = x^3 + cx$ , all graphed in the viewing rectangle [-2, 2]by [-2.5, 2.5]

**EXAMPLE 9** Find the solution of the equation  $\cos x = x$  correct to two decimal places.

SOLUTION The solutions of the equation  $\cos x = x$  are the x-coordinates of the points of intersection of the curves  $y = \cos x$  and y = x. From Figure 14(a) we see that there is only one solution and it lies between 0 and 1. Zooming in to the viewing rectangle [0, 1] by [0, 1], we see from Figure 14(b) that the root lies between 0.7 and 0.8. So we zoom in further to the viewing rectangle [0.7, 0.8] by [0.7, 0.8] in Figure 14(c). By moving the cursor to the intersection point of the two curves, or by inspection and the fact that the x-scale is 0.01, we see that the solution of the equation is about 0.74. (Many calculators have a built-in intersection feature.)

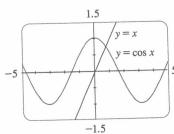
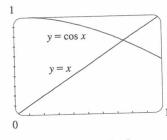
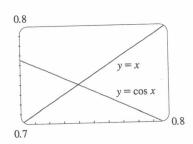


FIGURE 14 Locating the roots of  $\cos x = x$ 

(a) 
$$[-5, 5]$$
 by  $[-1.5, 1.5]$   
 $x$ -scale = 1



(b) [0,1] by [0,1]x-scale = 0.1



(c) [0.7, 0.8] by [0.7, 0.8]x-scale = 0.01

## 图 EXERCISES

- 1. Use a graphing calculator or computer to determine which of the given viewing rectangles produces the most appropriate graph of the function  $f(x) = \sqrt{x^3 - 5x^2}$ .
  - (a) [-5, 5] by [-5, 5]
- (b) [0, 10] by [0, 2]
- (c) [0, 10] by [0, 10]
- 2. Use a graphing calculator or computer to determine which of the given viewing rectangles produces the most appropriate graph of the function  $f(x) = x^4 - 16x^2 + 20$ .
  - (a) [-3, 3] by [-3, 3]
- (b) [-10, 10] by [-10, 10]
- (c) [-50, 50] by [-50, 50]
- (d) [-5, 5] by [-50, 50]
- 3-14 Determine an appropriate viewing rectangle for the given function and use it to draw the graph.
- 3.  $f(x) = 5 + 20x x^2$
- **4.**  $f(x) = x^3 + 30x^2 + 200x$
- 5.  $f(x) = \sqrt[4]{81 x^4}$
- **6.**  $f(x) = \sqrt{0.1x + 20}$
- 7.  $f(x) = x^3 225x$
- $\boxed{8.} f(x) = \frac{x}{x^2 + 100}$
- $9. \ f(x) = \sin^2(1000x)$
- 10.  $f(x) = \cos(0.001x)$
- $11. f(x) = \sin \sqrt{x}$
- 12.  $f(x) = \sec(20\pi x)$
- 13.  $y = 10 \sin x + \sin 100x$
- 14.  $y = x^2 + 0.02 \sin 50x$
- 15. Graph the ellipse  $4x^2 + 2y^2 = 1$  by graphing the functions whose graphs are the upper and lower halves of the ellipse.
- 16. Graph the hyperbola  $y^2 9x^2 = 1$  by graphing the functions whose graphs are the upper and lower branches of the hyperbola.
- 17-18 Do the graphs intersect in the given viewing rectangle? If they do, how many points of intersection are there?
- 17.  $y = 3x^2 6x + 1$ , y = 0.23x 2.25; [-1, 3] by [-2.5, 1.5]
- **18.**  $y = 6 4x x^2$ , y = 3x + 18; [-6, 2] by [-5, 20]
- 19-21 Find all solutions of the equation correct to two decimal places.
- 19.  $x^3 9x^2 4 = 0$
- **20.**  $x^3 = 4x 1$
- 21.  $x^2 = \sin x$
- 22. We saw in Example 9 that the equation  $\cos x = x$  has exactly one solution.
  - (a) Use a graph to show that the equation  $\cos x = 0.3x$  has three solutions and find their values correct to two decimal places.
  - (b) Find an approximate value of m such that the equation  $\cos x = mx$  has exactly two solutions.
- Use graphs to determine which of the functions  $f(x) = 10x^2$ and  $g(x) = x^3/10$  is eventually larger (that is, larger when x is very large).

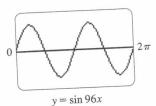
- 24. Use graphs to determine which of the functions  $f(x) = x^4 - 100x^3$  and  $g(x) = x^3$  is eventually larger.
- **25.** For what values of x is it true that  $|\sin x x| < 0.1$ ?
- **26.** Graph the polynomials  $P(x) = 3x^5 5x^3 + 2x$  and  $Q(x) = 3x^5$ on the same screen, first using the viewing rectangle [-2, 2] by [-2, 2] and then changing to [-10, 10] by [-10,000, 10,000]. What do you observe from these graphs?
- 27. In this exercise we consider the family of root functions  $f(x) = \sqrt[n]{x}$ , where n is a positive integer.
  - (a) Graph the functions  $y = \sqrt{x}$ ,  $y = \sqrt[4]{x}$ , and  $y = \sqrt[6]{x}$  on the same screen using the viewing rectangle [-1, 4] by [-1, 3].
  - (b) Graph the functions y = x,  $y = \sqrt[3]{x}$ , and  $y = \sqrt[5]{x}$  on the same screen using the viewing rectangle [-3, 3]by [-2, 2]. (See Example 7.)
  - (c) Graph the functions  $y = \sqrt{x}$ ,  $y = \sqrt[3]{x}$ ,  $y = \sqrt[4]{x}$ , and  $y = \sqrt[5]{x}$  on the same screen using the viewing rectangle [-1, 3] by [-1, 2].
  - (d) What conclusions can you make from these graphs?
- 28. In this exercise we consider the family of functions  $f(x) = 1/x^n$ , where n is a positive integer.
  - (a) Graph the functions y = 1/x and  $y = 1/x^3$  on the same screen using the viewing rectangle [-3, 3] by [-3, 3].
  - (b) Graph the functions  $y = 1/x^2$  and  $y = 1/x^4$  on the same screen using the same viewing rectangle as in part (a).
  - (c) Graph all of the functions in parts (a) and (b) on the same screen using the viewing rectangle [-1, 3] by [-1, 3].
  - (d) What conclusions can you make from these graphs?
- 29. Graph the function  $f(x) = x^4 + cx^2 + x$  for several values of c. How does the graph change when c changes?
- **30.** Graph the function  $f(x) = \sqrt{1 + cx^2}$  for various values of c. Describe how changing the value of c affects the graph.
- **31.** Graph the function  $y = x^n 2^{-x}$ ,  $x \ge 0$ , for n = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6. How does the graph change as n increases?
- 32. The curves with equations

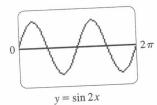
$$y = \frac{|x|}{\sqrt{c - x^2}}$$

are called bullet-nose curves. Graph some of these curves to see why. What happens as c increases?

- 33. What happens to the graph of the equation  $y^2 = cx^3 + x^2$  as c varies?
- 34. This exercise explores the effect of the inner function g on a composite function y = f(g(x)).
  - (a) Graph the function  $y = \sin(\sqrt{x})$  using the viewing rectangle [0, 400] by [-1.5, 1.5]. How does this graph differ from the graph of the sine function?

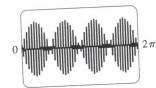
- (b) Graph the function  $y = \sin(x^2)$  using the viewing rectangle [-5, 5] by [-1.5, 1.5]. How does this graph differ from the graph of the sine function?
- **35.** The figure shows the graphs of  $y = \sin 96x$  and  $y = \sin 2x$  as displayed by a TI-83 graphing calculator.

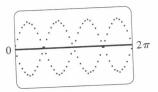




The first graph is inaccurate. Explain why the two graphs appear identical. [Hint: The TI-83's graphing window is 95 pixels wide. What specific points does the calculator plot?]

**36.** The first graph in the figure is that of  $y = \sin 45x$  as displayed by a TI-83 graphing calculator. It is inaccurate and so, to help explain its appearance, we replot the curve in dot mode in the second graph.





What two sine curves does the calculator appear to be plotting? Show that each point on the graph of  $y = \sin 45x$  that the TI-83 chooses to plot is in fact on one of these two curves. (The TI-83's graphing window is 95 pixels wide.)

### REVIEW

### CONCEPT CHECK

- 1. (a) What is a function? What are its domain and range?
  - (b) What is the graph of a function?
  - (c) How can you tell whether a given curve is the graph of a function?
- 2. Discuss four ways of representing a function. Illustrate your discussion with examples.
- 3. (a) What is an even function? How can you tell if a function is even by looking at its graph?
  - (b) What is an odd function? How can you tell if a function is odd by looking at its graph?
- 4. What is an increasing function?
- 5. What is a mathematical model?
- 6. Give an example of each type of function.
  - (a) Linear function
- (b) Power function
- (c) Exponential function
- (d) Quadratic function
- (e) Polynomial of degree 5
- (f) Rational function
- 7. Sketch by hand, on the same axes, the graphs of the following functions.
  - (a) f(x) = x
- (b)  $g(x) = x^2$ (d)  $j(x) = x^4$
- (c)  $h(x) = x^3$

- 8. Draw, by hand, a rough sketch of the graph of each function.
  - (a)  $y = \sin x$
- (b)  $y = \tan x$
- (c)  $y = 2^x$
- (d) y = 1/x
- (e) y = |x|
- (f)  $y = \sqrt{x}$
- 9. Suppose that f has domain A and g has domain B.
  - (a) What is the domain of f + g?
  - (b) What is the domain of fg?
  - (c) What is the domain of f/g?
- **10.** How is the composite function  $f \circ g$  defined? What is its domain?
- II. Suppose the graph of f is given. Write an equation for each of the graphs that are obtained from the graph of f as follows.
  - (a) Shift 2 units upward.
  - (b) Shift 2 units downward.
  - (c) Shift 2 units to the right.
  - (d) Shift 2 units to the left.
  - (e) Reflect about the x-axis.
  - (f) Reflect about the y-axis.
  - (g) Stretch vertically by a factor of 2.
  - (h) Shrink vertically by a factor of 2. (i) Stretch horizontally by a factor of 2.
  - (j) Shrink horizontally by a factor of 2.

### TRUE-FALSE QUIZ

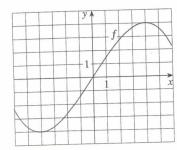
Determine whether the statement is true or false. If it is true, explain why. If it is false, explain why or give an example that disproves the statement.

- 1. If f is a function, then f(s + t) = f(s) + f(t).
- **2.** If f(s) = f(t), then s = t.

- 3. If f is a function, then f(3x) = 3f(x).
- **4.** If  $x_1 < x_2$  and f is a decreasing function, then  $f(x_1) > f(x_2)$ .
- 5. A vertical line intersects the graph of a function at most once.
- **6.** If f and g are functions, then  $f \circ g = g \circ f$ .

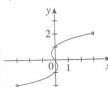
### EXERCISES

- 1. Let f be the function whose graph is given.
  - (a) Estimate the value of f(2).
  - (b) Estimate the values of x such that f(x) = 3.
  - (c) State the domain of f.
  - (d) State the range of f.
  - (e) On what interval is f increasing?
  - (f) Is f even, odd, or neither even nor odd? Explain.

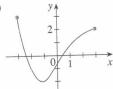


2. Determine whether each curve is the graph of a function of x. If it is, state the domain and range of the function.





(b)



3. If  $f(x) = x^2 - 2x + 3$ , evaluate the difference quotient

$$\frac{f(a+h)-f(a)}{h}$$

- 4. Sketch a rough graph of the yield of a crop as a function of the amount of fertilizer used.
- 5-8 Find the domain and range of the function.

5. 
$$f(x) = 2/(3x - 1)$$

**6.** 
$$g(x) = \sqrt{16 - x^4}$$

7. 
$$y = 1 + \sin x$$

**8.** 
$$F(t) = 3 + \cos 2t$$

**9.** Suppose that the graph of f is given. Describe how the graphs of the following functions can be obtained from the graph of f.

(a) 
$$y = f(x) + 8$$

(b) 
$$y = f(x + 8)$$

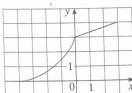
(c) 
$$y = 1 + 2f(x)$$

(d) 
$$y = f(x - 2) - 2$$
  
(f)  $y = 3 - f(x)$ 

(e) 
$$y = -f(x)$$

(f) 
$$y = 3 - f(x)$$

10. The graph of f is given. Draw the graphs of the following functions



(a) 
$$y = f(x - 8)$$

(b) 
$$y = -f(x)$$

(c) 
$$y = 2 - f(x)$$

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

11-16 Use transformations to sketch the graph of the function.

11. 
$$y = -\sin 2x$$

12. 
$$y = (x - 2)^2$$

13. 
$$y = 1 + \frac{1}{2}x^3$$

14. 
$$y = 2 - \sqrt{x}$$

**15.** 
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x+2}$$

**16.** 
$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 + x & \text{if } x < 0 \\ 1 + x^2 & \text{if } x \ge 0 \end{cases}$$

17. Determine whether f is even, odd, or neither even nor odd.

(a) 
$$f(x) = 2x^5 - 3x^2 + 2$$

(b) 
$$f(x) = x^3 - x^7$$

- (c)  $f(x) = \cos(x^2)$
- (d)  $f(x) = 1 + \sin x$
- 18. Find an expression for the function whose graph consists of the line segment from the point (-2, 2) to the point (-1, 0)together with the top half of the circle with center the origin and radius 1.
- 19. If  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$  and  $g(x) = \sin x$ , find the functions (a)  $f \circ g$ , (b)  $g \circ f$ , (c)  $f \circ f$ , (d)  $g \circ g$ , and their domains.
- **20.** Express the function  $F(x) = 1/\sqrt{x + \sqrt{x}}$  as a composition of three functions.
- 21. Use graphs to discover what members of the family of functions  $f(x) = \sin^n x$  have in common, where n is a positive integer. How do they differ? What happens to the graphs as nbecomes large?
  - 22. A small-appliance manufacturer finds that it costs \$9000 to produce 1000 toaster ovens a week and \$12,000 to produce 1500 toaster ovens a week.
    - (a) Express the cost as a function of the number of toaster ovens produced, assuming that it is linear. Then sketch the graph.
    - (b) What is the slope of the graph and what does it represent?
    - (c) What is the y-intercept of the graph and what does it represent?
  - 23. Life expectancy improved dramatically in the 20th century. The table gives the life expectancy at birth (in years) of males born in the United States.

Birth year	Life expectancy	Birth year	Life expectancy
1900	48.3	1960	66.6
1910	51.1	1970	67.1
1920	55.2	1980	70.0
1930	57.4	1990	71.8
1940	62.5	2000	73.0
1950	65.6		

Use a scatter plot to choose an appropriate type of model. Use your model to predict the life span of a male born in the year 2010.

There are no hard and fast rules that will ensure success in solving problems. However, it is possible to outline some general steps in the problem-solving process and to give some principles that may be useful in the solution of certain problems. These steps and principles are just common sense made explicit. They have been adapted from George Polya's book *How To Solve It*.

I Understand the Problem

The first step is to read the problem and make sure that you understand it clearly. Ask yourself the following questions:

What is the unknown?
What are the given quantities?
What are the given conditions?

For many problems it is useful to

draw a diagram

and identify the given and required quantities on the diagram.

Usually it is necessary to

introduce suitable notation

In choosing symbols for the unknown quantities we often use letters such as a, b, c, m, n, x, and y, but in some cases it helps to use initials as suggestive symbols; for instance, V for volume or t for time.

2 Think of a Plan

Find a connection between the given information and the unknown that will enable you to calculate the unknown. It often helps to ask yourself explicitly: "How can I relate the given to the unknown?" If you don't see a connection immediately, the following ideas may be helpful in devising a plan.

Try to Recognize Something Familiar Relate the given situation to previous knowledge. Look at the unknown and try to recall a more familiar problem that has a similar unknown.

Try to Recognize Patterns Some problems are solved by recognizing that some kind of pattern is occurring. The pattern could be geometric, or numerical, or algebraic. If you can see regularity or repetition in a problem, you might be able to guess what the continuing pattern is and then prove it.

Use Analogy Try to think of an analogous problem, that is, a similar problem, a related problem, but one that is easier than the original problem. If you can solve the similar, simpler problem, then it might give you the clues you need to solve the original, more difficult problem. For instance, if a problem involves very large numbers, you could first try a similar problem with smaller numbers. Or if the problem involves three-dimensional geometry, you could look for a similar problem in two-dimensional geometry. Or if the problem you start with is a general one, you could first try a special case.

Introduce Something Extra It may sometimes be necessary to introduce something new, an auxiliary aid, to help make the connection between the given and the unknown. For instance, in a problem where a diagram is useful the auxiliary aid could be a new line drawn in a diagram. In a more algebraic problem it could be a new unknown that is related to the original unknown.

Take Cases We may sometimes have to split a problem into several cases and give a different argument for each of the cases. For instance, we often have to use this strategy in dealing with absolute value.

Work Backward Sometimes it is useful to imagine that your problem is solved and work backward, step by step, until you arrive at the given data. Then you may be able to reverse your steps and thereby construct a solution to the original problem. This procedure is commonly used in solving equations. For instance, in solving the equation 3x - 5 = 7, we suppose that x is a number that satisfies 3x - 5 = 7 and work backward. We add 5 to each side of the equation and then divide each side by 3 to get x = 4. Since each of these steps can be reversed, we have solved the problem.

Establish Subgoals In a complex problem it is often useful to set subgoals (in which the desired situation is only partially fulfilled). If we can first reach these subgoals, then we may be able to build on them to reach our final goal.

Indirect Reasoning Sometimes it is appropriate to attack a problem indirectly. In using proof by contradiction to prove that P implies Q, we assume that P is true and Q is false and try to see why this can't happen. Somehow we have to use this information and arrive at a contradiction to what we absolutely know is true.

Mathematical Induction In proving statements that involve a positive integer n, it is frequently helpful to use the following principle.

PRINCIPLE OF MATHEMATICAL INDUCTION Let  $S_n$  be a statement about the positive integer n. Suppose that

- I.  $S_1$  is true.
- **2.**  $S_{k+1}$  is true whenever  $S_k$  is true.

Then  $S_n$  is true for all positive integers n.

This is reasonable because, since  $S_1$  is true, it follows from condition 2 (with k = 1) that  $S_2$  is true. Then, using condition 2 with k = 2, we see that  $S_3$  is true. Again using condition 2, this time with k = 3, we have that  $S_4$  is true. This procedure can be followed indefinitely.

In Step 2 a plan was devised. In carrying out that plan we have to check each stage of the plan and write the details that prove that each stage is correct.

Having completed our solution, it is wise to look back over it, partly to see if we have made errors in the solution and partly to see if we can think of an easier way to solve the problem. Another reason for looking back is that it will familiarize us with the method of solution and this may be useful for solving a future problem. Descartes said, "Every problem that I solved became a rule which served afterwards to solve other problems."

These principles of problem solving are illustrated in the following examples. Before you look at the solutions, try to solve these problems yourself, referring to these Principles of Problem Solving if you get stuck. You may find it useful to refer to this section from time to time as you solve the exercises in the remaining chapters of this book.

3 Carry Out the Plan

4 Look Back

**EXAMPLE 1** Express the hypotenuse h of a right triangle with area 25 m<sup>2</sup> as a function o its perimeter P.

■ Understand the problem

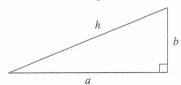
SOLUTION Let's first sort out the information by identifying the unknown quantity and the da

*Unknown*: hypotenuse h

Given quantities: perimeter P, area 25 m<sup>2</sup>

Draw a diagram

It helps to draw a diagram and we do so in Figure 1.



#### FIGURE I

Connect the given with the unknown

Introduce something extra

Relate to the familiar

In order to connect the given quantities to the unknown, we introduce two extra variables a and b, which are the lengths of the other two sides of the triangle. This enables u to express the given condition, which is that the triangle is right-angled, by the Pythagorean Theorem:

$$h^2 = a^2 + b^2$$

The other connections among the variables come by writing expressions for the area and perimeter:

$$25 = \frac{1}{2}ab$$
  $P = a + b + h$ 

Since P is given, notice that we now have three equations in the three unknowns a, b, and h:

$$h^2 = a^2 + b^2$$

$$25 = \frac{1}{2}ab$$

$$P = a + b + h$$

Although we have the correct number of equations, they are not easy to solve in a straigl forward fashion. But if we use the problem-solving strategy of trying to recognize something familiar, then we can solve these equations by an easier method. Look at the right sides of Equations 1, 2, and 3. Do these expressions remind you of anything familiar? Notice that they contain the ingredients of a familiar formula:

$$(a + b)^2 = a^2 + 2ab + b^2$$

Using this idea, we express  $(a + b)^2$  in two ways. From Equations 1 and 2 we have

$$(a + b)^2 = (a^2 + b^2) + 2ab = h^2 + 4(25)$$

From Equation 3 we have

$$(a + b)^2 = (P - h)^2 = P^2 - 2Ph + h^2$$

Thus

$$h^{2} + 100 = P^{2} - 2Ph + h^{2}$$
$$2Ph = P^{2} - 100$$
$$P^{2} - 100$$

$$h = \frac{P^2 - 100}{2P}$$

This is the required expression for h as a function of P.

As the next example illustrates, it is often necessary to use the problem-solving principle of *taking cases* when dealing with absolute values.

**EXAMPLE 2** Solve the inequality |x-3| + |x+2| < 11.

SOLUTION Recall the definition of absolute value:

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

It follows that

$$|x-3| = \begin{cases} x-3 & \text{if } x-3 \ge 0\\ -(x-3) & \text{if } x-3 < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$= \begin{cases} x - 3 & \text{if } x \ge 3 \\ -x + 3 & \text{if } x < 3 \end{cases}$$

Similarly

$$|x+2| = \begin{cases} x+2 & \text{if } x+2 \ge 0\\ -(x+2) & \text{if } x+2 < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$= \begin{cases} x+2 & \text{if } x \ge -2\\ -x-2 & \text{if } x < -2 \end{cases}$$

These expressions show that we must consider three cases:

$$x < -2 \qquad -2 \le x < 3 \qquad x \ge 3$$

**CASE I** If x < -2, we have

$$|x-3| + |x+2| < 11$$
  
 $-x + 3 - x - 2 < 11$   
 $-2x < 10$   
 $x > -5$ 

**CASE II** If  $-2 \le x < 3$ , the given inequality becomes

$$-x + 3 + x + 2 < 11$$
  
5 < 11 (always true)

**CASE III** If  $x \ge 3$ , the inequality becomes

$$x - 3 + x + 2 < 11$$
$$2x < 12$$
$$x < 6$$

Combining cases I, II, and III, we see that the inequality is satisfied when -5 < x < 6. So the solution is the interval (-5, 6).

Take cases

In the following example we first guess the answer by looking at special cases and recognizing a pattern. Then we prove it by mathematical induction.

In using the Principle of Mathematical Induction, we follow three steps:

STEP | Prove that  $S_n$  is true when n = 1.

STEP 2 Assume that  $S_n$  is true when n = k and deduce that  $S_n$  is true when n = k + 1.

STEP 3 Conclude that  $S_n$  is true for all n by the Principle of Mathematical Induction.

**EXAMPLE 3** If  $f_0(x) = x/(x+1)$  and  $f_{n+1} = f_0 \circ f_n$  for  $n = 0, 1, 2, \ldots$ , find a formula for  $f_n(x)$ .

SOLUTION We start by finding formulas for  $f_n(x)$  for the special cases n = 1, 2, and 3.

$$f_1(x) = (f_0 \circ f_0)(x) = f_0(f_0(x)) = f_0\left(\frac{x}{x+1}\right)$$
$$= \frac{\frac{x}{x+1}}{\frac{x}{x+1}+1} = \frac{\frac{x}{x+1}}{\frac{2x+1}{x+1}} = \frac{x}{2x+1}$$

$$f_2(x) = (f_0 \circ f_1)(x) = f_0(f_1(x)) = f_0\left(\frac{x}{2x+1}\right)$$
$$= \frac{\frac{x}{2x+1}}{\frac{x}{2x+1}+1} = \frac{\frac{x}{2x+1}}{\frac{3x+1}{2x+1}} = \frac{x}{3x+1}$$

$$f_3(x) = (f_0 \circ f_2)(x) = f_0(f_2(x)) = f_0\left(\frac{x}{3x+1}\right)$$
$$= \frac{\frac{x}{3x+1}}{\frac{x}{3x+1}+1} = \frac{\frac{x}{3x+1}}{\frac{4x+1}{3x+1}} = \frac{x}{4x+1}$$

We notice a pattern: The coefficient of x in the denominator of  $f_n(x)$  is n + 1 in the three cases we have computed. So we make the guess that, in general,

$$f_n(x) = \frac{x}{(n+1)x+1}$$

To prove this, we use the Principle of Mathematical Induction. We have already verified that (4) is true for n = 1. Assume that it is true for n = k, that is,

$$f_k(x) = \frac{x}{(k+1)x+1}$$

Analogy: Try a similar, simpler problem

Look for a pattern

Then 
$$f_{k+1}(x) = (f_0 \circ f_k)(x) = f_0(f_k(x)) = f_0\left(\frac{x}{(k+1)x+1}\right)$$

$$= \frac{\frac{x}{(k+1)x+1}}{\frac{x}{(k+1)x+1}+1} = \frac{\frac{x}{(k+1)x+1}}{\frac{(k+2)x+1}{(k+1)x+1}} = \frac{x}{(k+2)x+1}$$

This expression shows that (4) is true for n = k + 1. Therefore, by mathematical induction, it is true for all positive integers n.

#### PROBLEMS

- 1. One of the legs of a right triangle has length 4 cm. Express the length of the altitude perpendicular to the hypotenuse as a function of the length of the hypotenuse.
- 2. The altitude perpendicular to the hypotenuse of a right triangle is 12 cm. Express the length of the hypotenuse as a function of the perimeter.
- **3.** Solve the equation |2x 1| |x + 5| = 3.
- **4.** Solve the inequality  $|x 1| |x 3| \ge 5$ .
- **5.** Sketch the graph of the function  $f(x) = |x^2 4|x| + 3|$ .
- **6.** Sketch the graph of the function  $g(x) = |x^2 1| |x^2 4|$ .
- **7.** Draw the graph of the equation x + |x| = y + |y|.
- **8.** Draw the graph of the equation  $x^4 4x^2 x^2y^2 + 4y^2 = 0$ .
- **9.** Sketch the region in the plane consisting of all points (x, y) such that  $|x| + |y| \le 1$ .
- 10. Sketch the region in the plane consisting of all points (x, y) such that

$$|x - y| + |x| - |y| \le 2$$

- 11. A driver sets out on a journey. For the first half of the distance she drives at the leisurely pace of 30 mi/h; she drives the second half at 60 mi/h. What is her average speed on this trip?
- 12. Is it true that  $f \circ (g + h) = f \circ g + f \circ h$ ?
- 13. Prove that if n is a positive integer, then  $7^n 1$  is divisible by 6.
- **14.** Prove that  $1 + 3 + 5 + \cdots + (2n 1) = n^2$ .
- **15.** If  $f_0(x) = x^2$  and  $f_{n+1}(x) = f_0(f_n(x))$  for  $n = 0, 1, 2, ..., find a formula for <math>f_n(x)$ .
- **16.** (a) If  $f_0(x) = \frac{1}{2-x}$  and  $f_{n+1} = f_0 \circ f_n$  for n = 0, 1, 2, ..., find an expression for  $f_n(x)$  and use mathematical induction to prove it.
- (b) Graph  $f_0, f_1, f_2, f_3$  on the same screen and describe the effects of repeated composition.