

Worksheet 1, Tuesday, June 25, 2019

1. Simplify each of the following expressions. Show your work.

We clear the denominator by flipping and multiplying...

$$(a) \frac{\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)}{\left(\frac{c}{d}\right)} = \frac{\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)}{\left(\frac{c}{d}\right)} \cdot \frac{\left(\frac{d}{c}\right)}{\left(\frac{d}{c}\right)} = \frac{\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)\left(\frac{d}{c}\right)}{1} = \boxed{\frac{ad}{bc}}$$

$$(b) \frac{1}{\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)} = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)} \cdot \frac{\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)}{\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)} = \frac{\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)}{1} = \boxed{\frac{b}{a}}$$

$$(c) \frac{\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)}{c} = \frac{\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)}{\left(\frac{c}{1}\right)} = \frac{\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)}{\left(\frac{c}{1}\right)} \cdot \frac{\left(\frac{1}{c}\right)}{\left(\frac{1}{c}\right)} = \frac{\left(\frac{a}{b}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{c}\right)}{1} = \boxed{\frac{a}{bc}}$$

$$(d) \frac{a}{\left(\frac{b}{c}\right)} = \frac{a}{\left(\frac{b}{c}\right)} \cdot \frac{\left(\frac{c}{b}\right)}{\left(\frac{c}{b}\right)} = \frac{a \cdot \left(\frac{c}{b}\right)}{1} = \boxed{\frac{ac}{b}}$$

2. Solve each of the following equations (if possible):

(a) $x^2 - 4x - 21 = 0$

Factor $(x - 7)(x + 3) = 0$ means either $x - 7 = 0$ or $x + 3 = 0$. Finally, $\boxed{x = 7}$ or $\boxed{x = -3}$.

(b) $x^2 - x + 7 = 0$

Try the Quadratic Formula:

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} \quad \text{Here } a = 1, b = -1 \text{ and } c = 7.$$

$$\text{Then } x = \frac{-(-1) \pm \sqrt{(-1)^2 - 4(1)(7)}}{2(1)} = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1 - 28}}{2} = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{-27}}{2}$$

$\boxed{\text{No Real solution}}$ because we have a negative discriminant $(b^2 - 4ac)$.

(c) $x^2 + 2x - 4 = 0$

Again, try the Quadratic Formula:

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} \quad \text{Here } a = 1, b = 2 \text{ and } c = -4.$$

$$\text{Then } x = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{2^2 - 4(1)(-4)}}{2(1)} = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4 + 16}}{2} = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{20}}{2} = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4 \cdot 5}}{2} = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4}\sqrt{5}}{2} = \frac{-2 \pm 2\sqrt{5}}{2} = \boxed{-1 \pm \sqrt{5}}$$

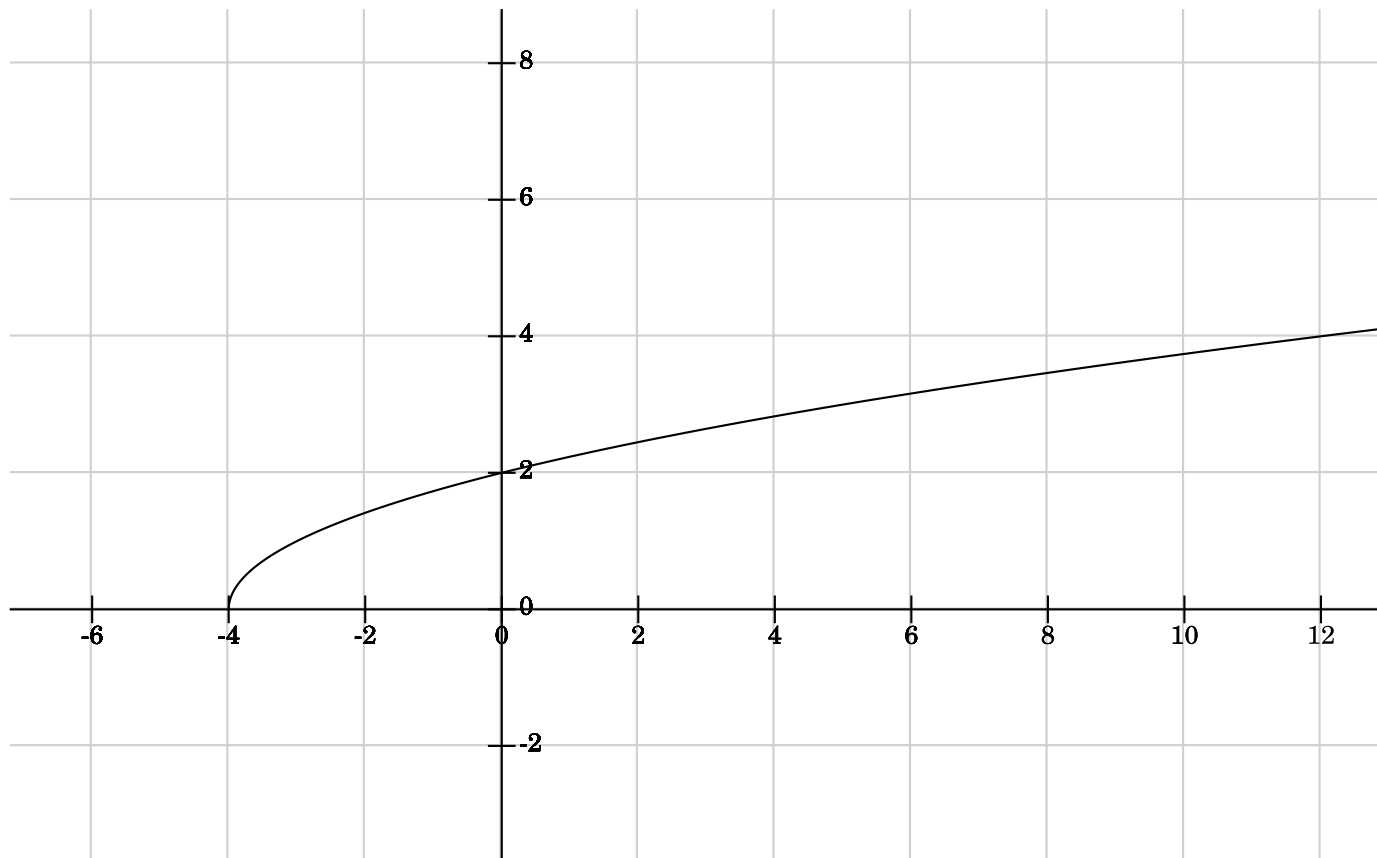
3. YES or NO: Does $\sqrt{x^2 + 4} = x + 2$? Why or why not?

NO, equal functions must take the same value at *every* point. Here test $x = 1$. $\sqrt{5} \neq 3$.

4. Recall from class that we saw the graphs of $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$ and $g(x) = \frac{1}{x}$. Use these graphs to help you do the following:

(a) Sketch the graph of $F(x) = \sqrt{x + 4}$. Discuss the Domain and Range for this new function.

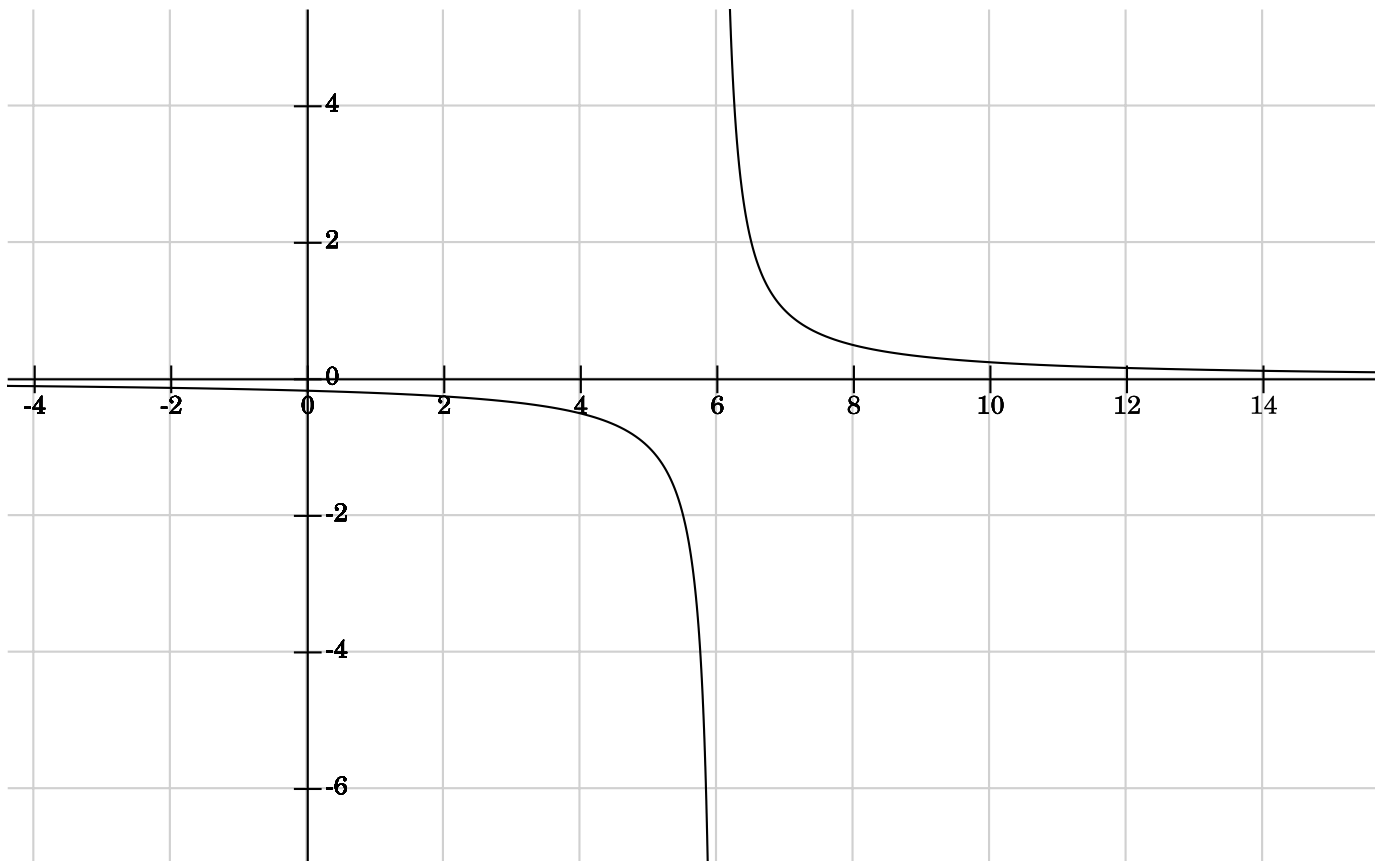
$$\text{Domain} = \{x : x \geq -4\} \quad \text{Range} = [0, \infty) = \{y : y \geq 0\}$$



(b) Sketch the graph of $G(x) = \frac{1}{x-6}$. Discuss the Domain and Range for this new function. Discuss the output behavior of $G(x)$ as the input value x is near $x = 6$. (Be specific.) Discuss the output behavior of $G(x)$ out near $\pm\infty$.

$$\text{Domain} = \{x : x \neq 6\} \quad \text{Range} = (-\infty, 0) \cup (0, \infty) = \{y : y \neq 0\}$$

As x approaches 6 from the positive direction (the right), then function output values are blowing up to ∞ . As x approaches 6 from the negative direction (the left), then the function output values are blowing down to $-\infty$. As x approaches $+\infty$ the output values are approaching 0, from the positive direction. (0^+) As x approaches $-\infty$ the output values are approaching 0, but from the negative direction. (0^-)



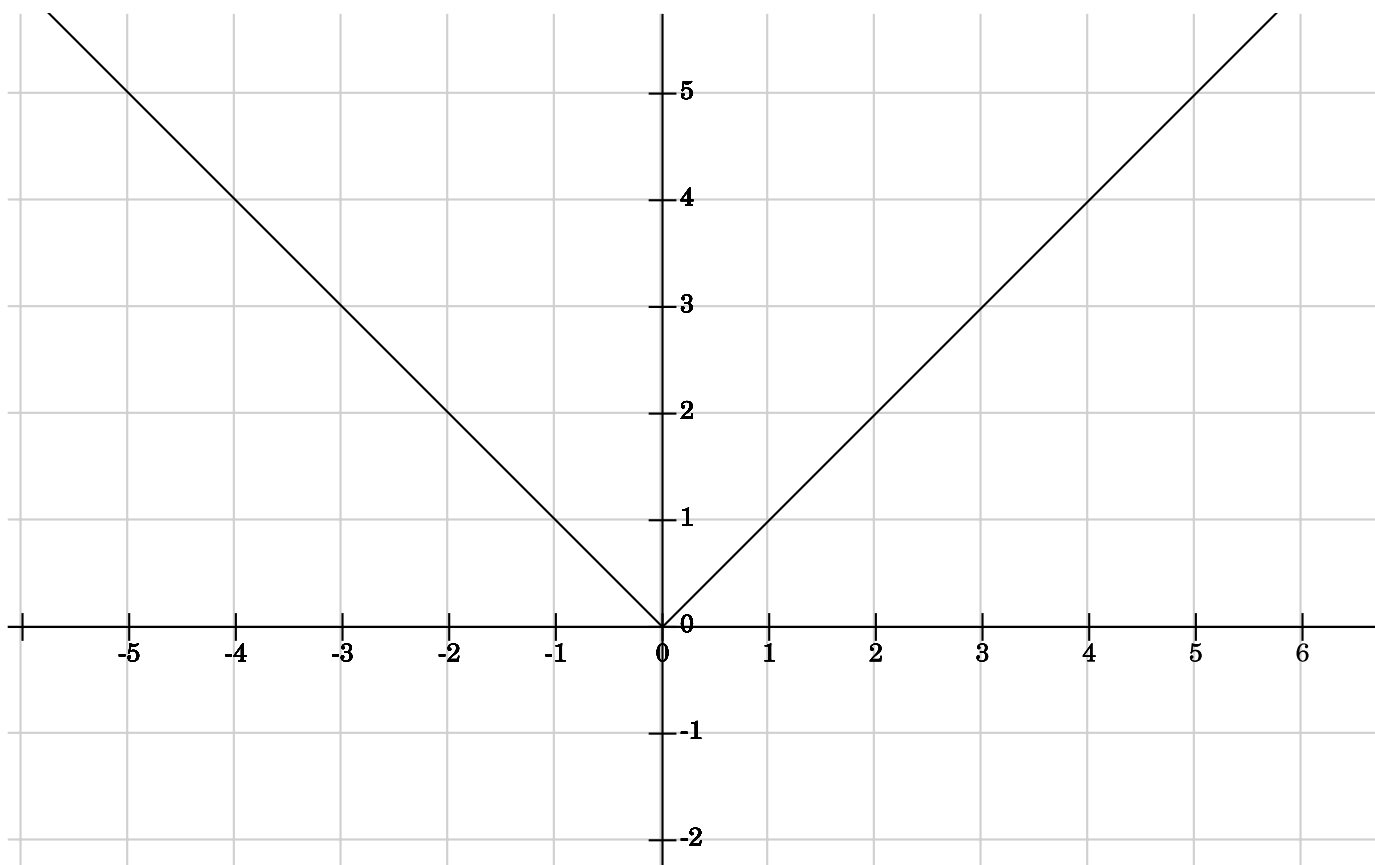
5. The Absolute Value Function $f(x) = |x|$ is a *piece-wise defined function* defined by

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

(a) Give the Domain and Range for this function. Graph the absolute value function. Discuss how this function behaves near $x = 0$.

Domain= \mathbb{R}	Range= $\{y : y \geq 0\}$
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For $x > 0$ the graph has slope 1 and for $x < 0$ the graph has slope -1. Both pieces of the graph merge together at $x = 0$ with output 0 there.

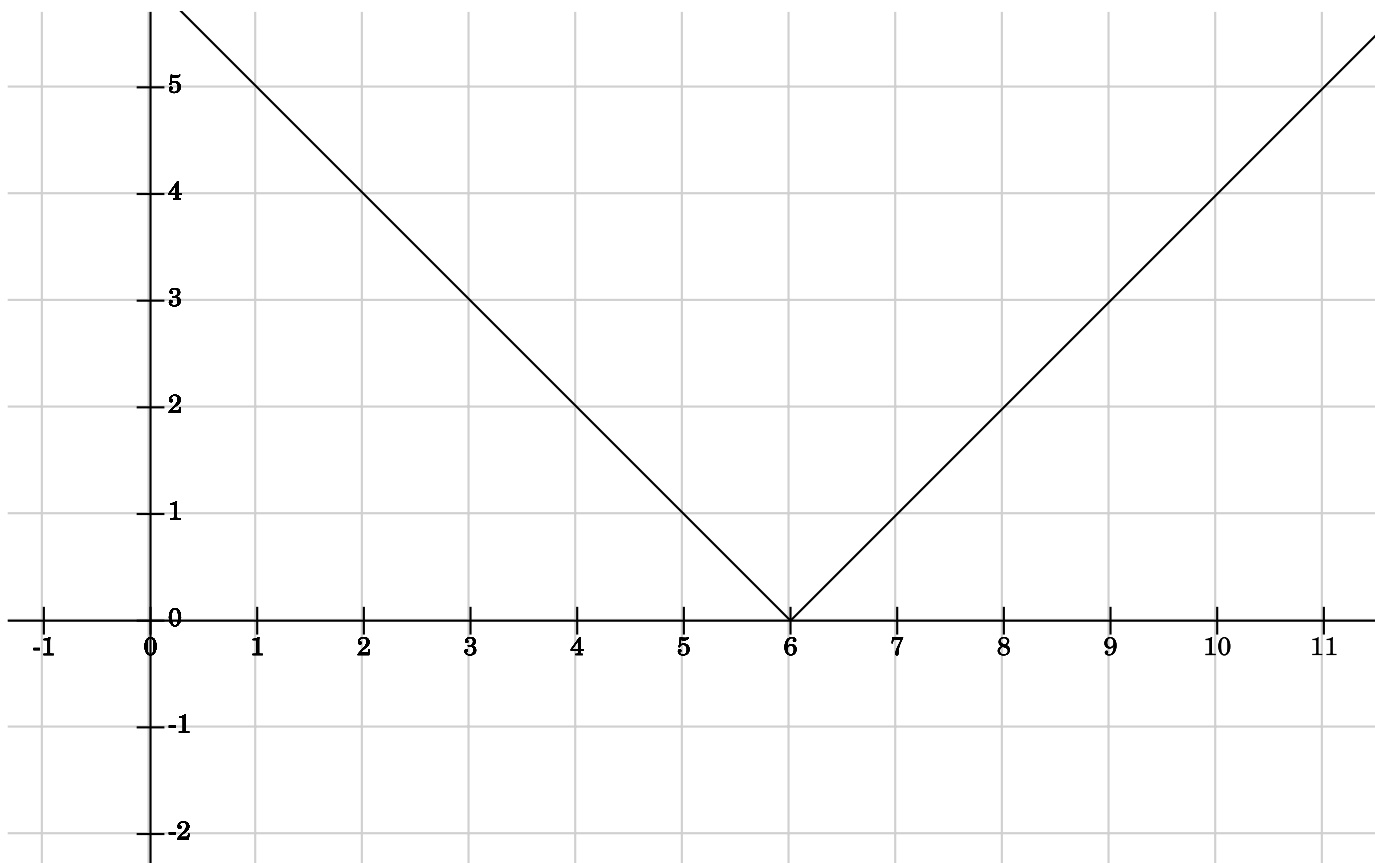


(b) Now consider $g(x) = |x - 6|$. Write out the piece-wise defined definition of this function carefully. THEN use that definition to graph the function g . Discuss how this graph relates to the graph of $f(x) = |x|$. Discuss how this function behaves near $x = 6$.

$$g(x) = |x - 6| = \begin{cases} x - 6 & \text{if } x - 6 \geq 0 \\ -(x - 6) & \text{if } x - 6 < 0 \end{cases} = \begin{cases} x - 6 & \text{if } x \geq 6 \\ 6 - x & \text{if } x < 6 \end{cases}$$

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This appears to be a shift of the graph $|x|$ to the right 6 units.

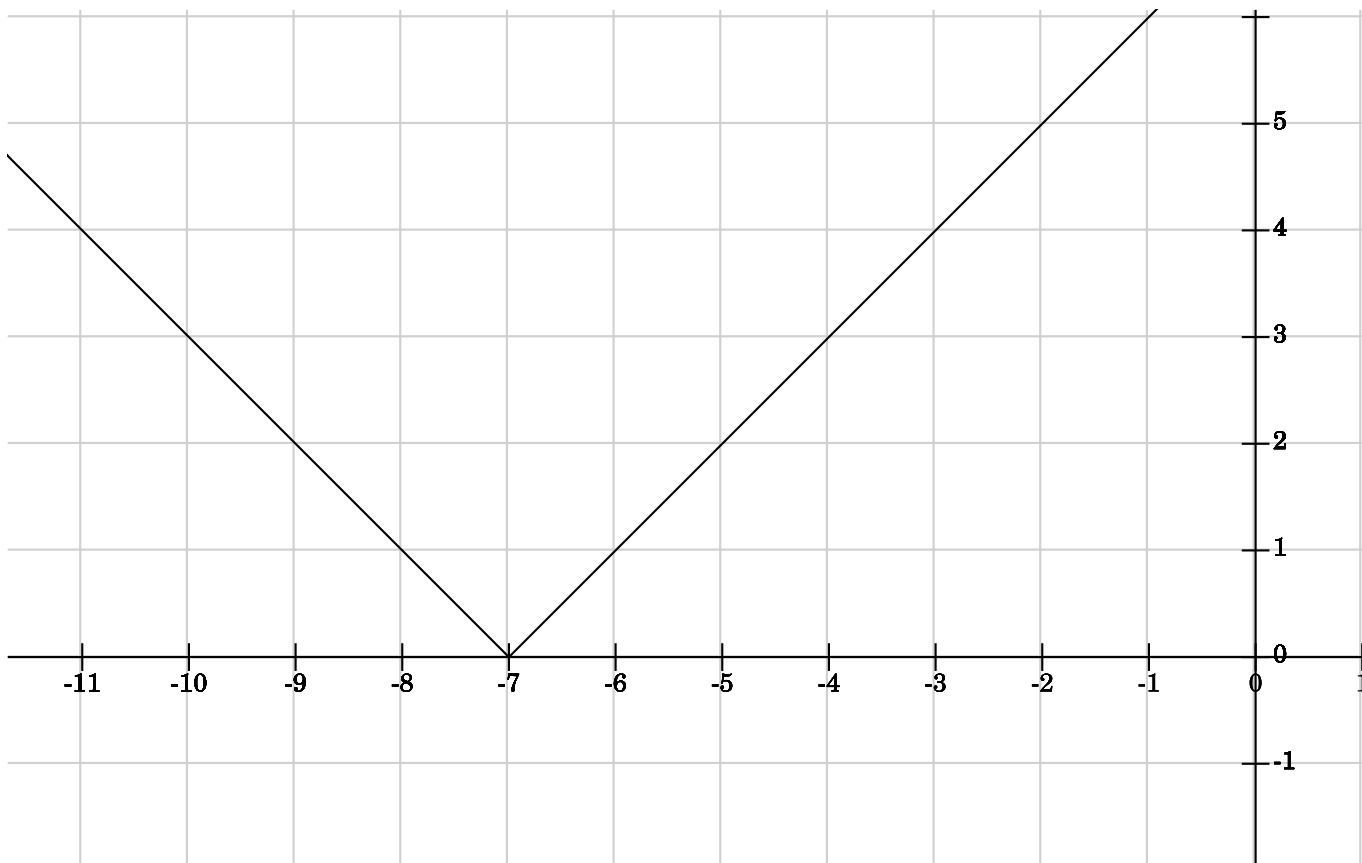


(c) Now consider $h(x) = |x + 7|$. Write out the piece-wise defined definition of this function carefully. THEN use that definition to graph the function h . Discuss how this graph relates to the graph of $f(x) = |x|$. Discuss how this function behaves near $x = -7$.

$$h(x) = |x + 7| = \begin{cases} x + 7 & \text{if } x + 7 \geq 0 \\ -(x + 7) & \text{if } x + 7 < 0 \end{cases} = \begin{cases} x + 7 & \text{if } x \geq -7 \\ -x - 7 & \text{if } x < -7 \end{cases}$$

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This appears to be a shift of the graph $|x|$ to the left 7 units.



6. Find the equation of the line L that passes through the point $(3, -1)$ and is **perpendicular** to the line $2x + 5y = 6$. THEN, does this new line L pass through the point $(1, -6)$?

First simplify $2x + 5y = 6$ into slope-intercept form.

$2x + 5y = 6 \implies 5y = -2x + 6 \implies y = -\frac{2}{5}x + \frac{6}{5}$. This line has slope $-\frac{2}{5}$. Then the perpendicular line has slope $\frac{5}{2}$.

We now use the point $(3, -1)$ and the slope $\frac{5}{2}$ in point-slope form.

$y - (-1) = \frac{5}{2}(x - 3)$ which simplifies to $y = \frac{5}{2}x - \frac{15}{2} - 1 = \frac{5}{2}x - \frac{15}{2} - \frac{2}{2} = \frac{5}{2}x - \frac{17}{2}$. Watch the algebra

Yes, this point $(1, -6)$ lies on this line since $y(1) = \frac{5}{2}(1) - \frac{17}{2} = -\frac{12}{2} = -6$

7. Consider the function $f(x) = x^2 - 6x - 7$. Compute and **simplify** each of the following.

(a) $f(0) = \boxed{-7}$

(b) $f(-3) = (-3)^2 - 6(-3) - 7 = 9 + 18 - 7 = 27 - 7 = \boxed{20}$

(c) $f(1) = 1^2 - 6(1) - 7 = 1 - 6 - 7 = \boxed{-12}$

(d) For what values x does $f(x) = 0$? $f(x) = x^2 - 6x - 7 = (x - 7)(x + 1) = 0$ when $\boxed{x = 7 \text{ or } x = -1}$.

$$(e) f(a) = \boxed{a^2 - 6a - 7}$$

$$(f) f(a+h) = (a+h)^2 - 6(a+h) - 7 = \boxed{a^2 + 2ah + h^2 - 6a - 6h - 7}$$

$$(g) \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} = \frac{(a^2 + 2ah + h^2 - 6a - 6h - 7) - (a^2 - 6a - 7)}{h}$$
$$= \frac{a^2 + 2ah + h^2 - 6a - 6h - 7 - a^2 + 6a + 7}{h} = \frac{2ah + h^2 - 6h}{h} = \frac{h(2a + h - 6)}{h} = \boxed{2a + h - 6}$$

(h) CHALLENGE!!! Compute $f(f(x))$. Show that it equals $x^4 - 12x^3 + 16x^2 + 120x + 84$. Yes... simplify! Come on you can try it...

$$f(f(x)) = (x^2 - 6x - 7)^2 - 6(x^2 - 6x - 7) - 7 = (x^2 - 6x - 7)(x^2 - 6x - 7) - 6(x^2 - 6x - 7) - 7 = x^4 - 6x^3 - 7x^2 - 6x^3 - 7x^2 - 6x^3 + 36x^2 + 42x - 7x^2 + 42x + 49 - 6x^2 + 36x + 42 - 7 = \boxed{x^4 - 12x^3 + 16x^2 + 120x + 84}$$

8. Consider the function defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x + 2 & \text{if } x > 2 \\ -3 & \text{if } x = 2 \\ x^2 & \text{if } -1 < x < 2 \\ 5 & \text{if } x < -1 \end{cases}$$

Graph $f(x)$ and find its Domain and Range. See me for a sketch.

$$\boxed{\text{Domain} = \{x : x \neq -1\} \quad \text{Range} = \{-3\} \cup \{y : y \geq 0 \text{ but } \neq 4\}}$$

9. Consider the function defined piece-wise by

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{x} & \text{if } x > 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2}x + 1 & \text{if } -4 < x \leq 0 \\ x^2 & \text{if } x \leq -4 \end{cases}$$

Graph $g(x)$ and find its Domain and Range. See me for a sketch.

$$\boxed{\text{Domain} = \mathbb{R} \quad \text{Range} = \{y : y > 0\}}$$