1.2 Functions and Their Properties Domain, Range, & Continuity of Functions

Target 1A: Analyze functions using specific properties

Review of Prior Concepts

Is the formula a function? (Graph them to complete the vertical line test).

Vertical Line Test: A graph in the coordinate plane defines y as a function of $x \Leftrightarrow$ no vertical line intersects the graph in more than one pt.







3.
$$y = \sqrt{x}$$

4.
$$x^2 + y^2 = 4$$

A function from a set D to a set R $(f: D \to R)$ is a rule that assigns to every element in D a <u>unique</u> element in R; i.e., The set D of all input values is the *Domain* of the function, and the set R of all output values is the *Range* of the function.

More Practice

Is it a Function?

http://www.mathwarehouse.com/algebra/relation/vertical-line-test.php

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zT69oxcMhPw

https://www.khanacademy.org/math/cc-eighth-grade-math/cc-8th-linear-equations-functions/cc-8th-

function-intro/e/recog-func-2

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13. Use function notation, and interpret statements using function notation.

Example:

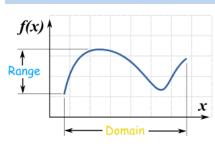
$$g(x) = ax^2 + 24$$

For the function g defined above, a is a constant and g(4) = 8. What is the value of g(-4)?

- A) 8
- B) 0
- C) -1
- D) -8

Solution

Domain & Range





Find the domain algebraically & the range graphically of each function. $Example \ 1:$

$$f(x) = \frac{2}{x^2 - 3x - 4}$$

Domain



Example 2:

$$g(x) = \frac{\sqrt{x-3}}{x^2 - 3x - 4}$$

Domain

Range

Example 3:

$$h(x) = \frac{x^2}{x^2 - 3x}$$

Domain

Range

Domain & Range

http://www.coolmath.com/algebra/15-functions/06-finding-the-domain-01

https://www.khanacademy.org/math/algebra/algebra-functions/domain-and-range/v/domain-of-a-function-intro http://www.intmath.com/functions-and-graphs/2a-domain-and-range.php

More Practice

Continuity & Discontinuity



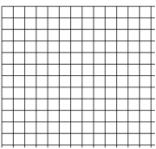
- Removable discontinuity
- Non-removable discontinuity

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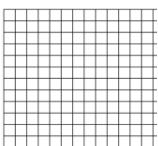
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Graph the function. Identify any points of discontinuity and describe the type of discontinuity.

Example 4:
$$f(x) = \frac{x^2}{x^2 - 3x}$$



Example 5:
$$g(x) = \frac{x^2 - 9}{x + 3}$$



More Practice

Continuity

http://www.ck12.org/Analysis/Discrete-and-Continuous-Functions/lesson/Continuity-and-Discontinuity-PCALC/

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2n5VzMFJQVY

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Solution

Choice A is correct. Since *g* is an even function, g(-4) = g(4) = 8.

Alternatively: First find the value of a, and then find g(-4). Since g(4) = 8, substituting 4 for x and 8 for g(x) gives $8 = a(4)^2 + 24 = 16a + 24$. Solving this last equation gives a = -1. Thus $g(x) = -x^2 + 24$, from which it follows that $g(-4) = -(-4)^2 + 24$; g(-4) = -16 + 24; and g(-4) = 8.

Choices B, C, and D are incorrect because g is a function and there can only be one value of g(-4).