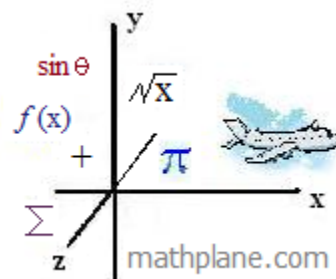


# Algebra Review 2

## Practice Exercises (with Solutions)

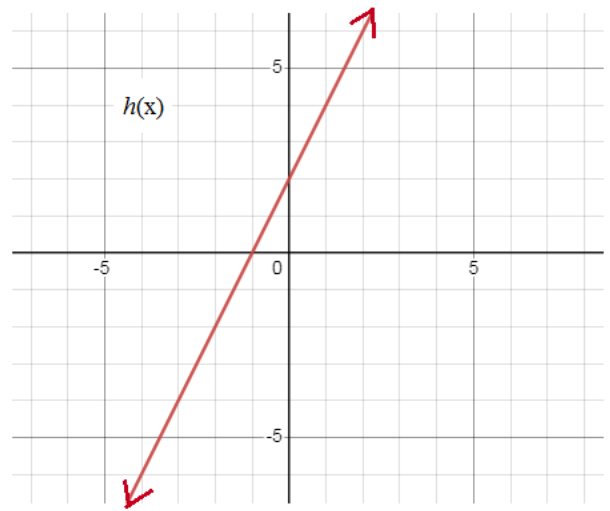
Topics include rational expressions, factoring, piecewise functions, domain & range, rate questions, inequalities, and more..



For the following functions, evaluate.

$$f(x) = 3x^2 + 1$$

x	0	1	2	3	4
g(x)	5	10	-1	2	-6



$$f(1) =$$

$$(f + h)(3) =$$

$$f(g(1)) =$$

$$g(1) =$$

$$(g + f)(2) =$$

$$g(f(0)) =$$

$$h(1) =$$

$$(f \cdot g)(0) =$$

$$h(f(-3)) =$$

$$f(7) =$$

$$\frac{f}{g}(0) =$$

$$g \circ h(1) =$$

$$g(7) =$$

$$\frac{g}{h}(1) =$$

$$h \circ g(1) =$$

$$h(7) =$$

$$\text{If } f(x) = 28, \text{ then } x =$$

$$\text{If } g(x) = 2, \text{ then } x =$$

$$\text{If } h(x) = 4, \text{ then } x =$$

A) The operation  $\star$  is defined by the function  $a \star b = 3a + b$  where  $a$  and  $b$  are real numbers.

1) Evaluate the following:

a)  $7 \star 4$

b)  $6 \star (-2)$

c)  $5 \star (2 \star 1)$

d)  $3(9 \star 10)$

2) For what value of  $x$  would  $x \star x = 20$  ?

3) Is  $\star$  commutative? Why or why not?

B) Function  $f(x)$  represents the percentage of math students who get an A in their algebra class, where  $x$  is the years after 2010...

What do the following equations and inequalities represent?

1)  $f(3) = 45$

2)  $f(6) \geq 60$

3)  $f(5) > f(8)$

4)  $f(0) = f(7)$

What is the domain of  $f(x)$ ? Range of  $f(x)$ ?

C) Let  $x$  be a person.

$d(x)$  = The person's dog

$t(x)$  = Favorite toy

$f(x)$  = Best friend

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What do the following represent?

1)  $t(\text{Linda}) =$

2)  $d(\text{Leila}) =$

3)  $t(f(\text{John})) =$

4)  $f(\text{Adam}) =$

Rational Expressions Quiz
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Simplify:

1)  $\frac{x}{3} + \frac{x}{5}$

2)  $\frac{1}{a+4} + \frac{3}{a+4}$

3)  $\frac{4}{x^2+4x+3} - \frac{1}{x+3}$

4)  $\frac{3}{2x+6} + \frac{4}{6x+18}$

5)  $\frac{7}{2d} - \frac{3}{2d}$

6)  $\frac{2x}{x^2-1} - \frac{3}{x+1}$

7)  $\frac{k-10}{20-2k}$

Solve:

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

2)  $\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{2x} = \frac{1}{6}$

3)  $\frac{1}{3s} = \frac{s}{2} - \frac{1}{6s}$

4)  $\frac{x+2}{x+8} = \frac{x-2}{x+4}$

5)  $1 - \frac{3}{z} = \frac{4}{z^2}$

6)  $\frac{d}{3} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{3d}$

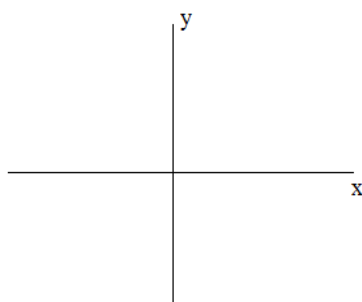
7)  $\frac{1}{c-3} = \frac{c}{4}$

8)  $\frac{5}{x-2} = \frac{5x+10}{x^2}$

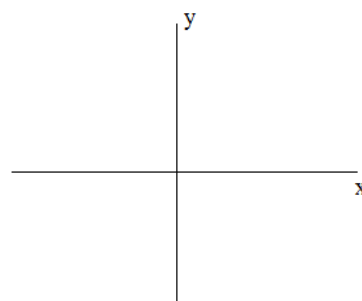
Algebra: Points and Lines

I. Determine (algebraically) if the given ordered pairs are solutions. Then, sketch the linear inequalities on a Cartesian plane. Plot the points to verify your answers!

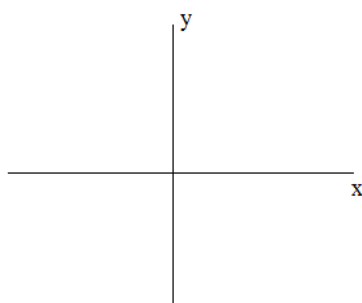
a)  $y < -4x + 7$  ; (4, -8) (-2, 3)



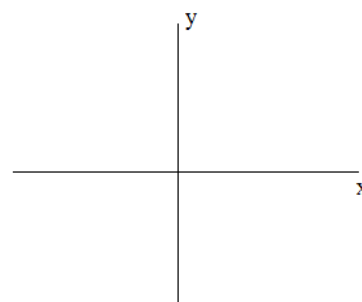
b)  $x \leq -3$  ; (0, 2) (-3, 1)



c)  $10x + y > -1.5$  ; (-1, 7) (0, 4)



d)  $3y \geq 7$  ; (4, 1) (-3, 5)



II. Answer following

A) Which of the following points lie on the line  $3x - 10y = 12$ ?

(4, 0) (1, -1) (10, 2) (14, 3)

B) Which of the following points does the line  $y = 2x + 6$  pass through?

(4, 14) (-3, 0) (52, 110) (-32, -58)

Linear Algebra Review Questions
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I. Determine if the line segments are parallel, perpendicular, or neither

1)  $\overline{RS}$  R(2, 2) S(4, 6)  
 $\overline{TV}$  T(7, 3) V(9, 2)

2)  $\overline{EF}$  E(7, 11) F(8, 15)  
 $\overline{LN}$  L(-1, 5) N(1, 11)

3)  $\overline{GH}$  G(76, 2) H(44, -30)  
 $\overline{JK}$  J(0, 0) K(7, 7)

4)  $\overline{AB}$  A(3, 1) B(3, 4)  
 $\overline{CD}$  C(1, 7) D(-3, 7)

5)  $\overline{MN}$  M(3, 4) N(8, 4)  
 $\overline{OP}$  O(1, 7) P(-1, 7)

II. Which of the following pairs are perpendicular?

1)  $y - \frac{1}{2}x = 0$   
 $y - 2x = -1$

2)  $y = -x + 7$   
 $y - x = 20$

3)  $x = -1$   
 $y = 3$

4)  $3x + 6y = 11$   
 $y - 6 = 2(x + \frac{1}{2})$

5)  $y + 3 = -3(x + 4)$   
 $y = 3x - 5$

Factoring Review: 5 examples
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Quadratic Standard Form

$$Ax^2 + Bx + C$$

1)  $25 - 16y^2$

2)  $4t^2 - 13t - 12$

3)  $2y^6 - 32y^2$

4)  $6x^2 + x - 12$

5)  $y^3 - 2y^2 - y + 2$

- 1) John leaves his house at 8:00 am, walking East at a speed of 5 miles/hour.  
At noon, his brother leaves the house, and rides a bike in the same direction at 15 miles/hour.

- a) What time do the brothers meet?
- b) How far from home are they?

- 2) Train 1 and Train 2 are 300 miles apart.  
At 9:00 am, Train 1 departs station A, heading North on the track at 60 mph.  
At 10:00 am, Train 2 departs station B, heading South on a parallel track at 40 mph.

- a) When will the Trains pass each other?
- b) How far from station A are the trains when they meet?

- 3) Trains 3 and 4 sit at station C. At noon, train 3 departs, going West at 60 m/h.  
At 3:00 train 4 departs, going East at 70 m/h.

- a) At 7:00, how far apart are the trains?
- b) When will the trains be 1200 miles apart?



- 4) A canoe goes up stream in 7 hours. Then, turns around and goes back downstream in 5 hours.  
If the rowers can paddle 20 km/hour in still water,

a) What is the rate of the stream?

b) How far did the canoe travel?

- 5) Bill can run 50 km in the same time that Joe can run 40 km.  
If Bill runs 2 km/hour faster than Joe, what are their running rates?

- 6) Alex bikes at a rate of 12 miles per hour. Tim bikes at a rate of 10 miles per hour.  
If Alex leaves school at 2:00 pm, and Tim leaves at 3:00 pm, when does Tim catch Alex?

Specific Solution Sets
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Find the solution set. Then, graph on a number line.

1)  $4x - 3 < 9$      $x \in \{\text{Real Numbers}\}$



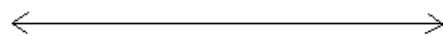
2)  $|x - 2| > 5$      $x \in \{\text{Integers}\}$



3)  $|x + 4| \leq 4$      $x \in \{\text{Integers}\}$



4)  $2x + 7 < 18$      $x \in \{\text{Whole Numbers}\}$



5)  $|3 - 4x| < 9$      $x \in \{\text{Positive Numbers}\}$

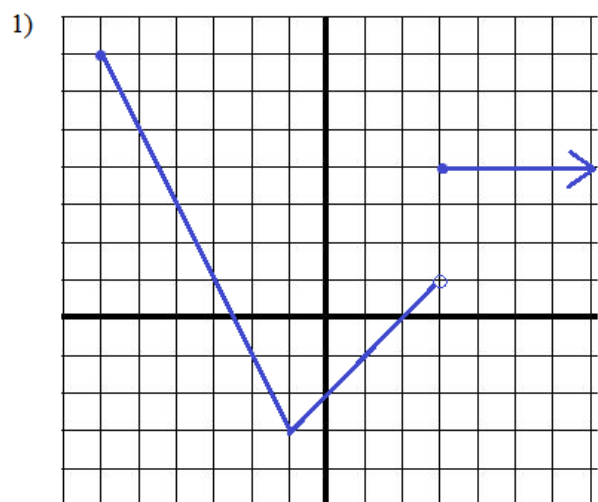


6)  $\frac{(x+2)(x-5)}{(x+1)} \leq 0$      $x \in \{\text{Real Numbers}\}$



# Piecewise Functions, Domain and Range

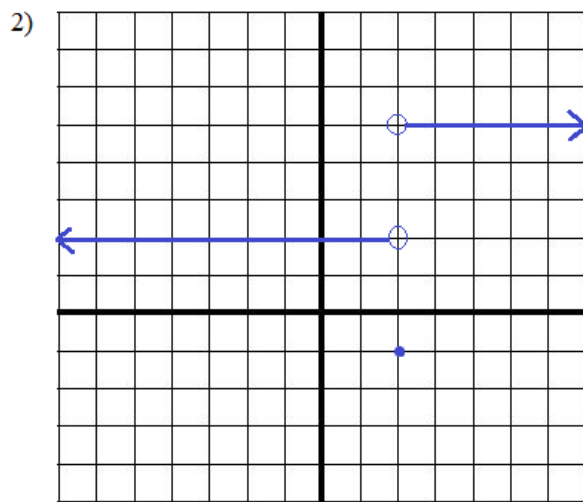
Find the domain and range. Then, write the equation.



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Range:

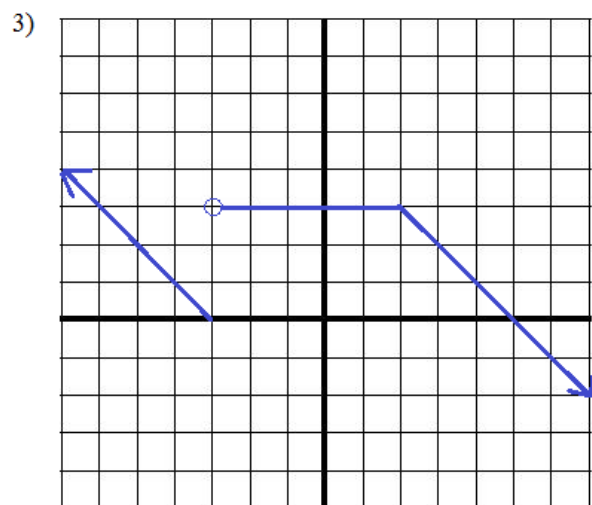
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Domain:

Range:

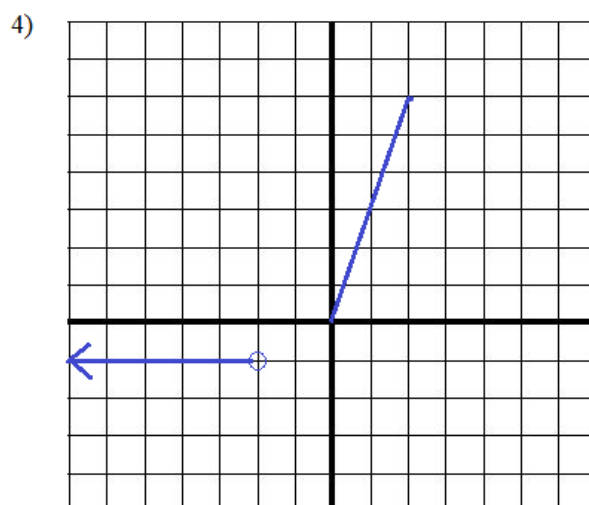
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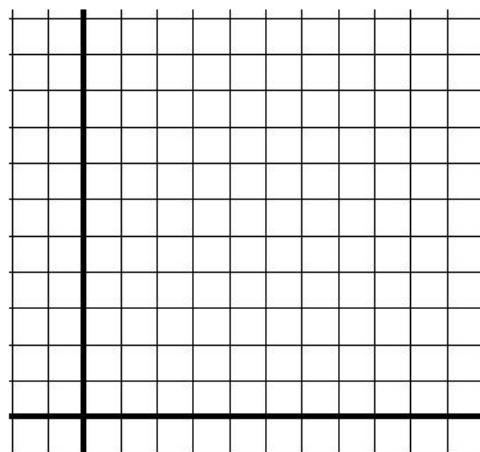
Domain:

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Function:

# Algebra Graphing Review

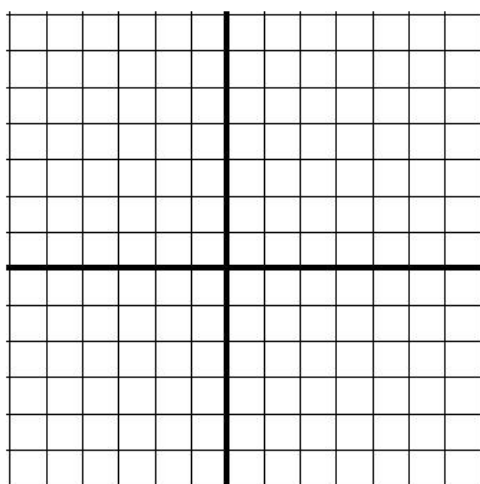
- 1) John receives a \$60 gift card to the movie theater. If evening shows are \$10 and matinees are \$6, how many movie tickets can he afford? (graph the inequality)



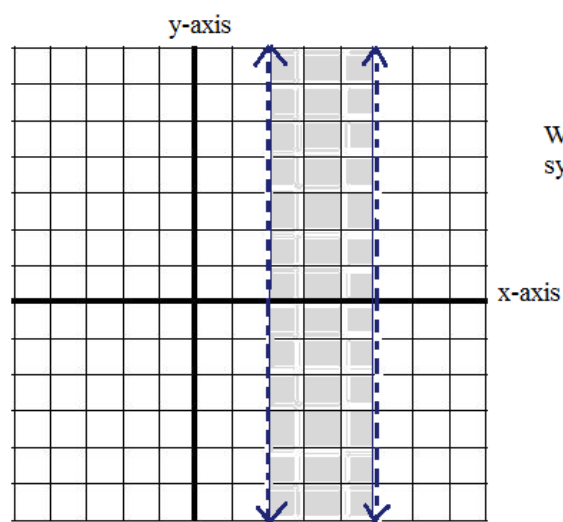
2)

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -x + 2 & \text{if } 0 \leq x < 2 \\ -x + 4 & \text{if } 2 \leq x \leq 5 \end{cases}$$

Graph the function ( for the interval  $[0, 5]$  )



3)



Write equations that describe the system of inequalities (on the left)

"Remember the formula for success.  
Check your work.  
Go back over the tough questions.  
Think of the reward for a job well done."



"Screw that..  
The teacher gives partial credit.  
Let's watch t.v."

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*Skip got a disappointing C+ on the math assignment...  
(but, he did see 2 awesome reruns of Magnum P.I.)*

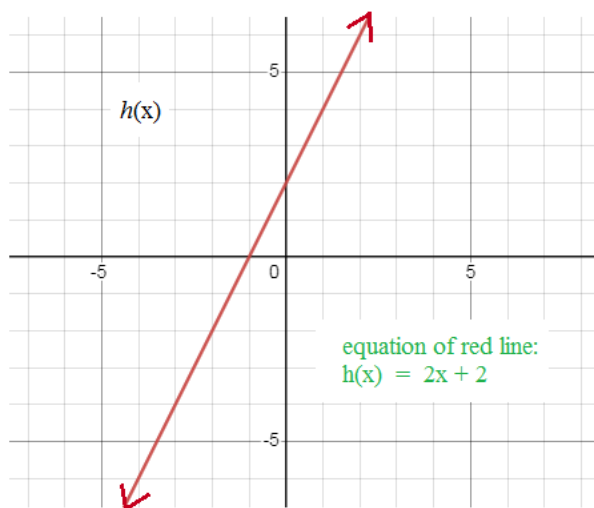
# SOLUTIONS

For the following functions, evaluate.

### SOLUTIONS

$$f(x) = 3x^2 + 1$$

x	0	1	2	3	4
g(x)	5	10	-1	2	-6



$$f(1) = 4 \quad \text{plug into equation} \quad (f+h)(3) = 28 + 8 = 36$$

$$g(1) = 10 \quad \text{find in the chart} \quad (g+f)(2) = -1 + 13 = 12$$

$$h(1) = 4 \quad \text{corresponds to (1, 4) on the graph} \quad (f \cdot g)(0) = 1 \times 5 = 5$$

$$f(7) = 148$$

$$\frac{f}{g}(0) = \frac{1}{5}$$

$$g(7) = \text{does not exist}$$

$$\frac{g}{h}(1) = \frac{10}{4}$$

$$h(7) = 16$$

$$f(g(1)) = g(1) = 10 \text{ then, } f(10) = 301$$

$$g(f(0)) = f(0) = 1 \text{ then, } g(1) = 10$$

$$h(f(-3)) = f(-3) = 28 \text{ then, } h(28) = 58$$

equation of red line is  $y = 2x + 2$

$$g \circ h(1) = h(1) = 4 \text{ then, } g(4) = -6$$

$$h \circ g(1) = g(1) = 10 \text{ then, } h(10) = 22$$

$$\text{If } f(x) = 28, \text{ then } x = 3 \text{ or } -3 \text{ set } 3x^2 + 1 = 28$$

$$\text{If } g(x) = 2, \text{ then } x = 3 \quad g(3) = 2$$

$$\text{If } h(x) = 4, \text{ then } x = 1 \quad (1, 4) \text{ on the graph}$$

A) The operation  $\star$  is defined by the function  $a \star b = 3a + b$  where  $a$  and  $b$  are real numbers.

SOLUTIONS

1) Evaluate the following:

a)  $7 \star 4$

$$3(7) + 4 = 25$$

b)  $6 \star (-2)$

$$3(6) + (-2) = 16$$

c)  $5 \star (2 \star 1)$

$$5 \star [3(2) + 1]$$

$$5 \star 7$$

$$3(5) + 7 = 22$$

d)  $3(9 \star 10)$

$$3 [3(9) + 10]$$

$$3 [37] = 111$$

2) For what value of  $x$  would  $x \star x = 20$  ?

$$x \star x = 20 \Rightarrow 3x + x = 20$$

$$4x = 20$$

$$x = 5$$

3) Is  $\star$  commutative? Why or why not?

Commutative property implies you can 'reverse the order' -- ex:  $2 + 5 = 5 + 2$  TRUE  
 $3 \cdot 6 = 6 \cdot 3$  FALSE

$$a \star b = 3a + b$$

$$b \star a = 3b + a$$

Not commutative (unless  $a = b$ )

B) Function  $f(x)$  represents the percentage of math students who get an A in their algebra class, where  $x$  is the years after 2010...

What do the following equations and inequalities represent?

1)  $f(3) = 45$  45% of students got an A in 2013

2)  $f(6) \geq 60$  At least 60% of students got an A in 2016

3)  $f(5) > f(8)$  More students got A's in 2015 than in 2018

4)  $f(0) = f(7)$  The same number of students got A's in 2010 as in 2017

What is the domain of  $f(x)$ ? Range of  $f(x)$ ?

$$\text{Domain: } 0 \leq x \leq 13 \text{ (today is 2023)}$$

$$\text{Range: } 0 \leq f(x) \leq 100 \text{ (0 percent to 100 percent)}$$

(NOTE: if years before 2010 are included, then domain is  $x \leq 13$ )

i.e.  $x = -20$  for 1990.

C) Let  $x$  be a person.

$d(x)$  = The person's dog

$t(x)$  = Favorite toy

$f(x)$  = Best friend

Example:  $d(\text{Lance})$  = Lance's dog ----> Norway the Husky

$t(\text{Norway})$  = Norway's favorite toy ---> ball

$f(d(\text{Lance}))$  = Lance's dog's best friend ----> Timber the husky

What do the following represent?

1)  $t(\text{Linda})$  = Linda's favorite toy

2)  $d(\text{Leila})$  = Leila's dog

3)  $t(f(\text{John}))$  = John's best friend's favorite toy

4)  $f(\text{Adam})$  = Adam's best friend

# Rational Expressions Quiz

# SOLUTIONS

Simplify:

$$1) \frac{x}{3} + \frac{x}{5}$$

$$\frac{5x}{15} + \frac{3x}{15} =$$

$$\frac{8x}{15}$$

$$2) \frac{1}{a+4} + \frac{3}{a+4}$$

$$\frac{4}{a+4}$$

$$3) \frac{4}{x^2+4x+3} - \frac{1}{x+3}$$

$$\frac{4}{(x+1)(x+3)} - \frac{1}{(x+3)} =$$

$$\frac{4}{(x+1)(x+3)} - \frac{(x+1)}{(x+1)(x+3)} =$$

$$\frac{3-x}{(x+1)(x+3)}$$

$$4) \frac{3}{2x+6} + \frac{4}{6x+18}$$

$$\frac{3}{2(x+3)} + \frac{4}{6(x+3)} =$$

$$\frac{9}{6(x+3)} + \frac{4}{6(x+3)} =$$

$$\frac{13}{6(x+3)}$$

$$5) \frac{7}{2d} - \frac{3}{2d}$$

$$\frac{4}{2d} =$$

$$\frac{2}{d}$$

$$6) \frac{2x}{x^2-1} - \frac{3}{x+1}$$

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

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

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

$$7) \frac{k-10}{20-2k}$$

$$\frac{k-10}{-2(k-10)} =$$

$$-\frac{1}{2}$$

Solve: (Plug in to check solutions)

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

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

$$\frac{x^2-2x+4x+8}{x^2-4} = \frac{1}{1}$$

$$\frac{x^2-2x+4x+8}{x^2-4} = \frac{1}{1}$$

$$x^2-4 = x^2+2x+8$$

$$x = -6$$

$$2) \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{2x} = \frac{1}{6}$$

Use common denominator

$$\frac{6}{6x} + \frac{3}{6x} = \frac{x}{6x}$$

$$\frac{9}{6x} = \frac{x}{6x}$$

$$x = 9$$

$$3) \frac{1}{3s} = \frac{s}{2} - \frac{1}{6s}$$

multiply by 6s

$$2 = 3s^2 - 1$$

$$3s^2 = 3$$

$$s = 1, -1$$

$$4) \frac{x+2}{x+8} = \frac{x-2}{x+4}$$

cross multiply

$$x^2+2x+4x+8 = x^2+8x-2x-16$$

$$6x+8 = 6x-16$$

No solution!

$$5) 1 - \frac{3}{z} = \frac{4}{z^2}$$

multiply by  $z^2$

$$z^2 - 3z = 4$$

$$z^2 - 3z - 4 = 0$$

$$(z-4)(z+1) = 0$$

$$z = 4, -1$$

$$6) \frac{d}{3} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{3d}$$

multiply by 6d

$$2d^2 + 3d = 2$$

$$2d^2 + 3d - 2 = 0$$

$$(2d-1)(d+2) = 0$$

$$d = 1/2, -2$$

$$7) \frac{1}{c-3} = \frac{c}{4}$$

cross multiply

$$c^2 - 3c = 4$$

$$c^2 - 3c - 4 = 0$$

$$(c-4)(c+1) = 0$$

$$c = 4, -1$$

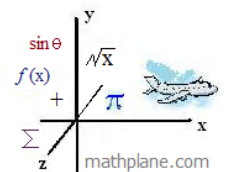
$$8) \frac{5}{x-2} = \frac{5x+10}{x^2}$$

cross multiply

$$5x^2 = 5x^2 - 10x + 10x - 20$$

$$5x^2 = 5x^2 - 20$$

No Solution!





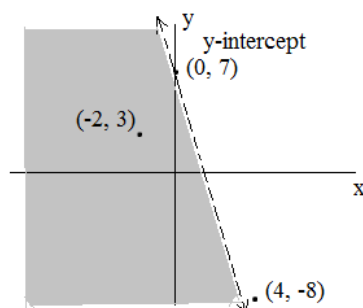
I. Determine (algebraically) if the given ordered pairs are solutions. Then, sketch the linear inequalities on a Cartesian plane. Plot the points to verify your answers!

a)  $y < -4x + 7$  ; (4, -8) (-2, 3)

Test each point:

(4, -8):  $(-8) < -4(4) + 7$   
 $-8 < -9$   
 NOT a solution

(-2, 3):  $(3) < -4(-2) + 7$   
 $3 < 15$   
 SOLUTION

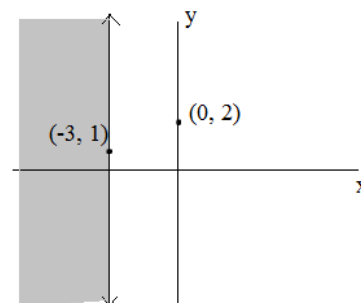


b)  $x \leq -3$  ; (0, 2) (-3, 1)

Test each point:

(0, 2):  $0 \leq -3$   
 NOT a solution

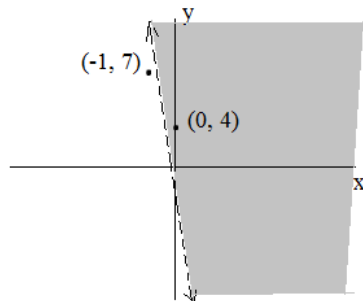
(-3, 1):  $-3 \leq -3$   
 SOLUTION



c)  $10x + y > -1.5$  ; (-1, 7) (0, 4)

(-1, 7):  $10(-1) + (7) > -1.5$   
 $-3 > -1.5$   
 NOT a solution

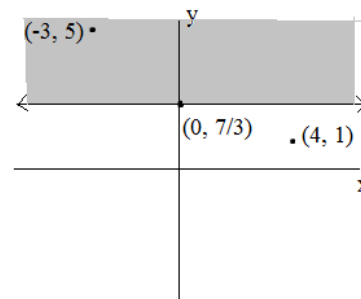
(0, 4):  $10(0) + 4 > -1.5$   
 $4 > -1.5$   
 SOLUTION



d)  $3y \geq 7$  ; (4, 1) (-3, 5)

(4, 1):  $3(1) \geq 7$   
 $3 \geq 7$   
 NOT a solution

(-3, 5):  $3(5) \geq 7$   
 $15 \geq 7$   
 SOLUTION



II. Answer following

A) Which of the following points lie on the line  $3x - 10y = 12$ ?

(4, 0) (1, -1) (10, 2) (14, 3)

$3(4) - 10(0) = 12$   
 YES

$3(1) - 10(-1) = 13$   
 $\neq 12$   
 NO

$3(10) - 10(2) = 10$   
 $\neq 12$   
 NO

$3(14) - 10(3) = 12$   
 YES

B) Which of the following points does the line  $y = 2x + 6$  pass through?

(4, 14) (-3, 0) (52, 110) (-32, -58)

ALL OF THEM!!

$(14) = 2(4) + 6$   
 $14 = 14$

$(0) = 2(-3) + 6$   
 $0 = 0$

$(110) = 2(52) + 6$   
 $110 = 110$

$(-58) = 2(-32) + 6$   
 $-58 = -58$

# Linear Algebra Review Questions

## SOLUTIONS

I. Determine if the line segments are parallel, perpendicular, or neither

- 1)  $\overline{RS}$  R(2, 2) S(4, 6) slope = 2  
 $\overline{TV}$  T(7, 3) V(9, 2) slope =  $-\frac{1}{2}$  perpendicular
- 2)  $\overline{EF}$  E(7, 11) F(8, 15) slope = 4  
 $\overline{LN}$  L(-1, 5) N(1, 11) slope = 3 neither
- 3)  $\overline{GH}$  G(76, 2) H(44, -30) slope =  $32/32 = 1$   
 $\overline{JK}$  J(0, 0) K(7, 7) slope =  $7/7 = 1$  parallel
- 4)  $\overline{AB}$  A(3, 1) B(3, 4) slope is undefined ("no slope") ----> vertical line segment  
 $\overline{CD}$  C(1, 7) D(-3, 7) slope is 0 ----> horizontal line segment perpendicular
- 5)  $\overline{MN}$  M(3, 4) N(8, 4) slope is 0 (horizontal)  
 $\overline{OP}$  O(1, 7) P(-1, 7) slope is 0 (horizontal) parallel

$$\text{slope} = \frac{\text{"rise"}}{\text{"run"}} = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = \frac{y_1 - y_2}{x_1 - x_2}$$

parallel lines: slopes are equal

perpendicular lines: opposite reciprocals

II. Which of the following pairs are perpendicular?

The slopes of perpendicular lines are opposite reciprocals..

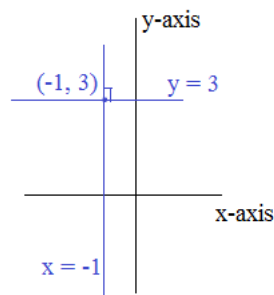
- 1)  $y - \frac{1}{2}x = 0$   $y = \frac{1}{2}x + 0$  slope =  $1/2$   
 $y - 2x = -1$   $y = 2x - 1$  slope = 2 NO (slopes are reciprocals, but not opposites)

- 2)  $y = -x + 7$  slope = -1  
 $y - x = 20$   $y = x + 20$  slope = 1 YES

- 3)  $x = -1$  vertical line  
 $y = 3$  horizontal line YES

- 4)  $3x + 6y = 11$   $6y = -3x + 11$   $y = -\frac{1}{2}x + \frac{11}{6}$  slope =  $-1/2$   
 $y - 6 = 2(x + \frac{1}{2})$  (point slope form) slope = 2 YES

- 5)  $y + 3 = -3(x + 4)$  slope = -3  
 $y = 3x - 5$  slope = 3 NO



# Factoring Review: 5 examples

## SOLUTIONS

## Quadratic Standard Form

$$Ax^2 + Bx + C$$

1)  $25 - 16y^2$  (difference of squares)  $a^2 - b^2 = (a + b)(a - b)$

$$\begin{aligned} a &= 5 \\ b &= 4y \end{aligned}$$

$$(5 + 4y)(5 - 4y)$$

2)  $4t^2 - 13t - 12$  (divide and regroup)

$$AC = 4(-12) = -48$$

$$B = -13$$

What multiplies to -48 and adds to -13? 3 and -16

$$\begin{array}{rcl} & -13t & \\ & \swarrow \quad \searrow & \\ 4t^2 + & -16t + 3t & - 12 \quad \text{divide} \\ (4t^2 - 16t) + & (3t - 12) & \text{factor} \\ 4t(t - 4) + & 3(t - 4) & \text{regroup} \end{array}$$

$$(4t + 3)(t - 4)$$

3)  $2y^6 - 32y^2$  (GCF and difference of squares)

$$2y^2 (y^4 - 16)$$

$$2y^2 (y^2 + 4)(y^2 - 4)$$

$$2y^2 (y^2 + 4)(y + 2)(y - 2)$$

4)  $6x^2 + x - 12$

What multiplies to -72 and adds to 1? 9 and -8

$$A = 6$$

$$B = 1$$

$$C = -12$$

$$AC = -72$$

$$B = 1$$

$$6x^2 + 9x - 8x - 12 \quad \text{divide}$$

$$(6x^2 + 9x) + (-8x - 12) \quad \text{factor}$$

$$3x(2x + 3) + -4(2x + 3) \quad \text{regroup}$$

$$(3x - 4)(2x + 3)$$

5)  $y^3 - 2y^2 - y + 2$  (separate, factor, regroup)

$$y^3 - y^2 - y^2 + 2$$

$$y(y^2 - 1) - 2(y^2 - 1)$$

$$(y - 2)(y^2 - 1) \quad \text{(difference of squares)}$$

$$(y - 2)(y + 1)(y - 1)$$

SOLUTIONS

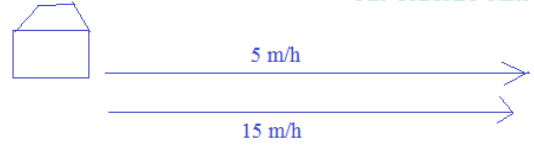
- 1) John leaves his house at 8:00 am, walking East at a speed of 5 miles/hour.  
At noon, his brother leaves the house, and rides a bike in the same direction at 15 miles/hour.

- a) What time do the brothers meet?

they meet at 2:00 pm

- b) How far from home are they?

if  $t = 6$ , then  $d = 30$  miles



distance = rate x time

$$\text{John } d = 5 \text{ m/h } (t)$$

$$\text{brother } d = 15 \text{ m/h } (t - 4)$$

When will the distances be the same?

$$5 \text{ m/h } (t) = 15 \text{ m/h } (t - 4)$$

$$5t = 15t - 60$$

$$t = 6$$

- 2) Train 1 and Train 2 are 300 miles apart.

At 9:00 am, Train 1 departs station A, heading North on the track at 60 mph.

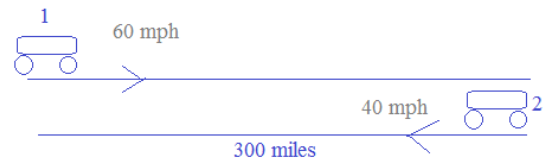
At 10:00 am, Train 2 departs station B, heading South on a parallel track at 40 mph.

- a) When will the Trains pass each other?

12:24 pm

- b) How far from station A are the trains when they meet?

the trains are 204 miles from station A



$$d_1 = 60 \text{ mph } (t)$$

$$d_2 = 40 \text{ mph } (t - 1) \text{ because train 2 left one hour later}$$

distance = rate x time

$$d_1 + d_2 = 300$$

$$60t + 40t - 40 = 300$$

$$100t = 340$$

$$t = 3.4 \text{ hours}$$

$$@ t = 3.4, d_1 = 204 \text{ miles}$$

$$d_2 = 96 \text{ miles..}$$

- 3) Trains 3 and 4 sit at station C. At noon, train 3 departs, going West at 60 m/h.  
At 3:00 train 4 departs, going East at 70 m/h.

- a) At 7:00, how far apart are the trains?

700 miles

$$\text{train 3: distance} = 60 \text{ m/h } (7 \text{ hours}) = 420 \text{ miles West}$$

$$\text{train 4: distance} = 70 \text{ m/h } (4 \text{ hours}) = 280 \text{ miles East}$$

trains are 700 miles apart...

- b) When will the trains be 1200 miles apart?

10:51 pm

$$\text{distance of 3} + \text{distance of 4} = 1200 \text{ miles}$$

$$60 \text{ m/h } (\text{time}) + 70 \text{ m/h } (\text{time} - 3 \text{ hours}) = 1200 \text{ miles}$$

distance = rate x time

$$60t + 70t - 210 = 1200$$

$$130t = 1410$$

$$t = 10.846 \text{ hours...} \rightarrow 10 \text{ hours and 51 minutes}$$

- 4) A canoe goes up stream in 7 hours. Then, turns around and goes back downstream in 5 hours.  
If the rowers can paddle 20 km/hour in still water,

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Rate Questions

- a) What is the rate of the stream?

3 1/3 km/hour

$$\text{distance} = \text{rate} \times \text{time}$$

$$\text{up stream} \quad \text{distance} = (20 \text{ km/hr} - \text{rate of stream})(7 \text{ hours})$$

$$\text{down stream} \quad \text{distance} = (20 \text{ km/hr} + \text{rate of stream})(5 \text{ hours})$$

- b) How far did the canoe travel?

233 1/3 km  
(total up and down  
the river)

$$\text{since distances are the same,} \quad 140 \text{ km} - 7S = 100 \text{ km} + 5S$$

$$40 = 12S$$

$$S = 3.33 \text{ km/hour}$$

$$\text{If } S = 10/3 \text{ km/hour,}$$

$$\text{then distance} = (20 - 10/3)(7) = 116 \frac{2}{3} \text{ km}$$

$$\text{or distance} = (20 + 10/3)(5) = 116 \frac{2}{3} \text{ km}$$

- 5) Bill can run 50 km in the same time that Joe can run 40 km.  
If Bill runs 2 km/hour faster than Joe, what are their running rates?

$$\text{distance} = \text{rate} \times \text{time}$$

$$\text{Bill} \quad 50 \text{ km} = (r + 2)(t)$$

$$50 = rt + 2t$$

$$\text{Joe} \quad 40 \text{ km} = (r)(t)$$

$$40 = rt$$

$$\text{Since } t = 5, \quad r = 8$$

Joe runs at 8 km/hour  
Bill runs at 10 km/hour

$$50 = 40 + 2t$$

$$t = 5$$

- 6) Alex bikes at a rate of 12 miles per hour. Tim bikes at a rate of 10 miles per hour.  
If Alex leaves school at 2:00 pm, and Tim leaves at 3:00 pm, when does Tim catch Alex?

$$\text{distance} = \text{rate} \times \text{time}$$

$$\text{Alex: distance} = 12(t)$$

If they meet, the distance will be the same..

$$\text{Tim: distance} = 10(t - 1)$$

$$12t = 10t - 10$$

$t = -5$  Since time cannot be negative,  
Tim never catches Alex!!

# Specific Solution Sets

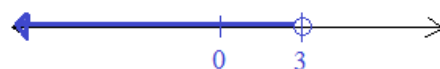
Find the solution set. Then, graph on a number line.

1)  $4x - 3 < 9$   $x \in \{\text{Real Numbers}\}$

$$4x < 12$$

$$x < 3$$

$$\{x < 3\}$$



2)  $|x - 2| > 5$   $x \in \{\text{Integers}\}$

find "critical values"

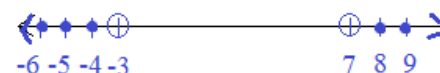
$$x - 2 = 5 \quad x - 2 = -5$$

$$x = 7 \quad x = -3$$

$$\begin{array}{ll} -5: |-5 - 2| > 5 & \checkmark \\ 0: |0 - 2| > 5 & \times \\ 10: |10 - 2| > 5 & \checkmark \end{array}$$

"open circles"... then, test regions....  $\rightarrow$  INTEGERS only!

$$\{8, 9, 10, \dots\} \text{ and } \{-4, -5, -6, \dots\}$$



3)  $|x + 4| \leq 4$   $x \in \{\text{Integers}\}$

$$x + 4 \leq 4 \quad \text{and} \quad x + 4 \geq -4$$

$$x \leq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad x \geq -8$$

$$\text{AND an integer!} \quad \{-8, -7, \dots, -2, -1, 0\}$$



4)  $2x + 7 < 18$   $x \in \{\text{Whole Numbers}\}$

$$2x < 11$$

$$x < 5.5 \quad \text{AND must be whole number}$$

$$\{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$$



5)  $|3 - 4x| < 9$   $x \in \{\text{Positive Numbers}\}$

$$3 - 4x = 9 \quad 3 - 4x = -9$$

$$-4x = 6 \quad -4x = -12$$

$$x = -3/2 \quad x = 3$$

(critical values)

test regions

and eliminate negative numbers!

$$\{0 < x < 3\}$$



6)  $\frac{(x + 2)(x - 5)}{(x + 1)} \leq 0$   $x \in \{\text{Real Numbers}\}$

critical values and asymptote:

$$-2, -1, 5$$

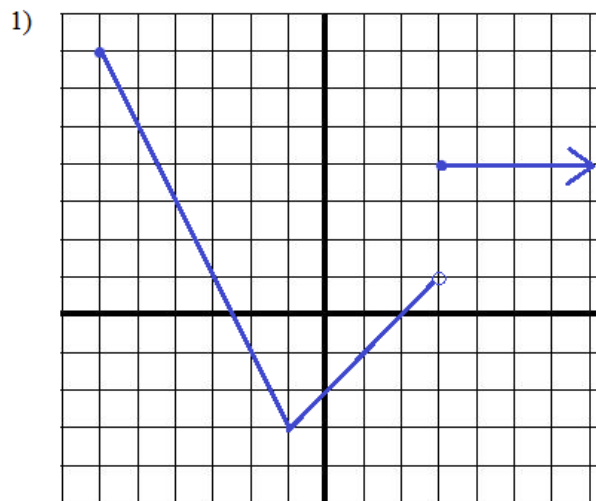
test regions: -3: negative  
-1.5: positive  
0: negative  
7: positive

$$\text{interval notation: } (-\infty, -2] \cup (-1, 5]$$



# Piecewise Functions, Domain and Range

Find the domain and range. Then, write the equation.

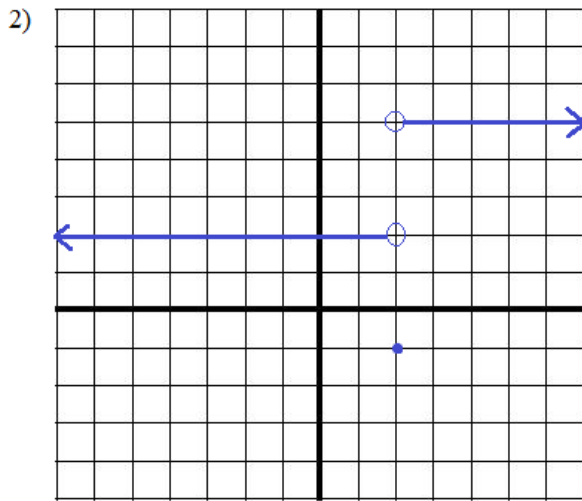


Domain:  $[-6, \infty)$

Range:  $[-3, 7]$

Function:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -2x - 5 & \text{if } -6 \leq x < -1 \\ x - 2 & \text{if } -1 \leq x < 3 \\ 4 & \text{if } x \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

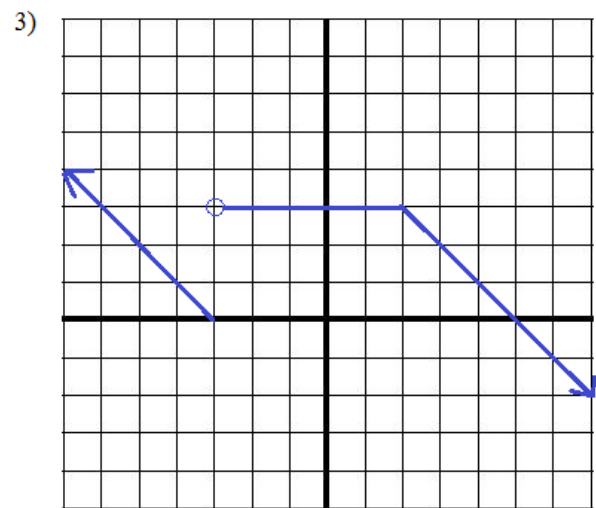


Domain: all real numbers  $(-\infty, \infty)$

Range:  $\{-1, 2, 5\}$

Function:

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

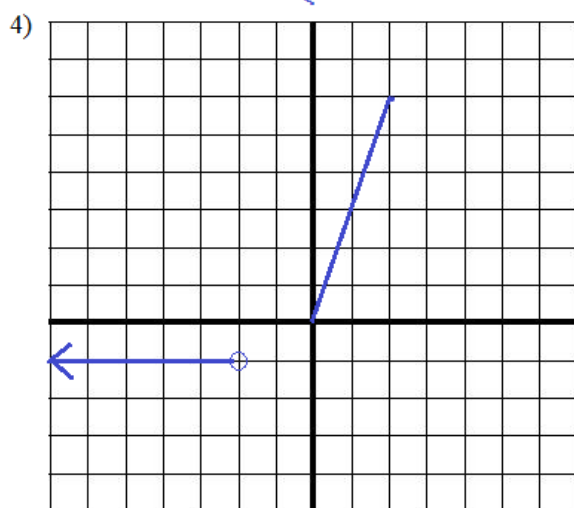


Domain: all real numbers  $(-\infty, \infty)$

Range: all real numbers  $(-\infty, \infty)$

Function:

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



Domain:  $(-\infty, -2) \cup [0, 2]$

Range:  $\{x \mid 0 < x < 6, x = -1\}$

Function:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -1 & \text{if } x < -2 \\ 3x & \text{if } x \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

## Algebra Graphing Review

- 1) John receives a \$60 gift card to the movie theater. If evening shows are \$10 and matinees are \$6, how many movie tickets can he afford? (graph the inequality)

Let  $E$  = # of evening shows       $M$  = # of matinee shows

The inequality is     $\underset{\substack{\text{money spent} \\ \text{on matinees}}}{\$6(M)} + \underset{\substack{\text{money spent} \\ \text{on evening shows}}}{\$10(E)} \leq \$60$

Since this is a linear equation, we can find 2 points and then draw a line through both points...

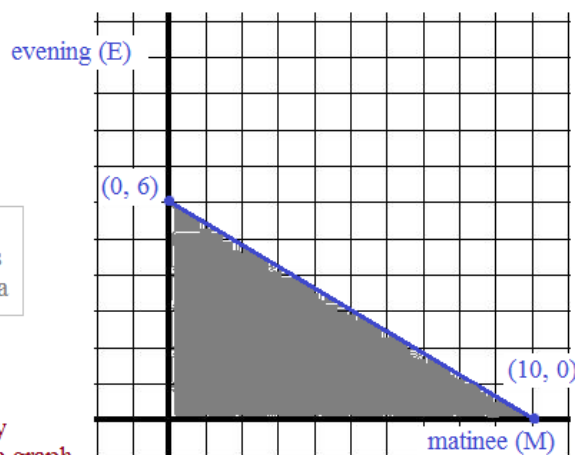
If John only goes to matinees:       $(10, 0)$

If John only goes to evening shows:       $(0, 6)$

domain:  $0 \leq M \leq 10$  (cannot have negative tickets)

range:  $0 \leq E \leq 6$

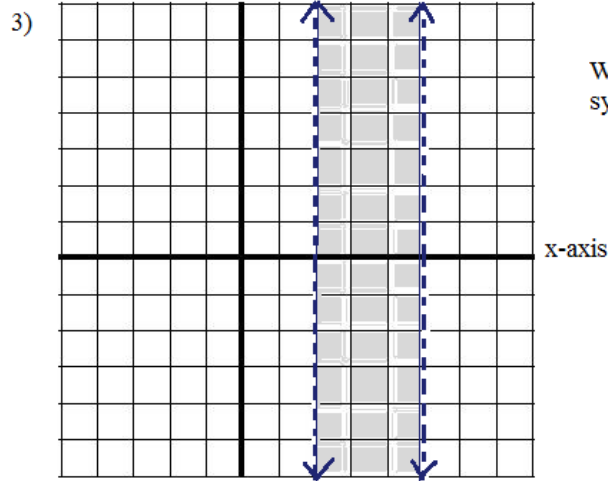
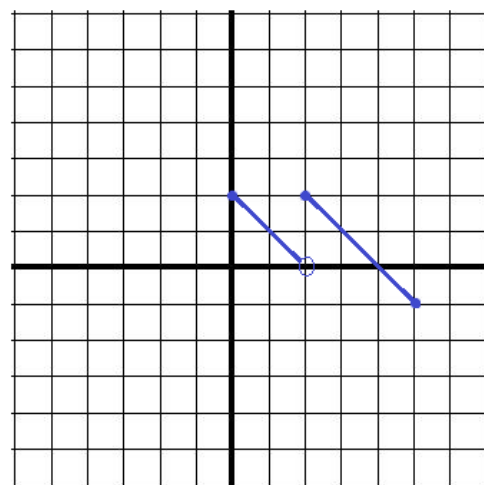
Note: we're assuming John can buy partial tickets... If he can't, then the graph would only consist of whole numbers.



$$2) \quad f(x) = \begin{cases} -x + 2 & \text{if } 0 \leq x < 2 \\ -x + 4 & \text{if } 2 \leq x \leq 5 \end{cases}$$

Graph the function ( for the interval  $[0, 5]$  )

both parts of the piecewise function have the same slope  $(-1)$



Write equations that describe the system of inequalities (on the left)

dashed lines:  $<$  or  $>$   
solid lines:  $\leq$  or  $\geq$

the vertical line on the left:  $x = 2$   
Since it's shaded on the right, the inequality is  $x > 2$

the vertical line on the right:  $x = 5$   
Since it's shaded on the left, the inequality is  $x < 5$

The system of inequalities is the intersection:

$$2 < x < 5$$



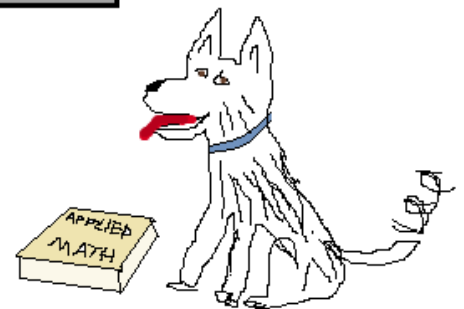
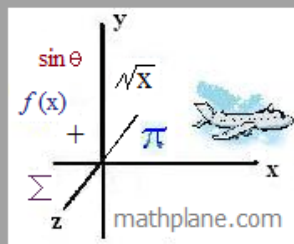
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