

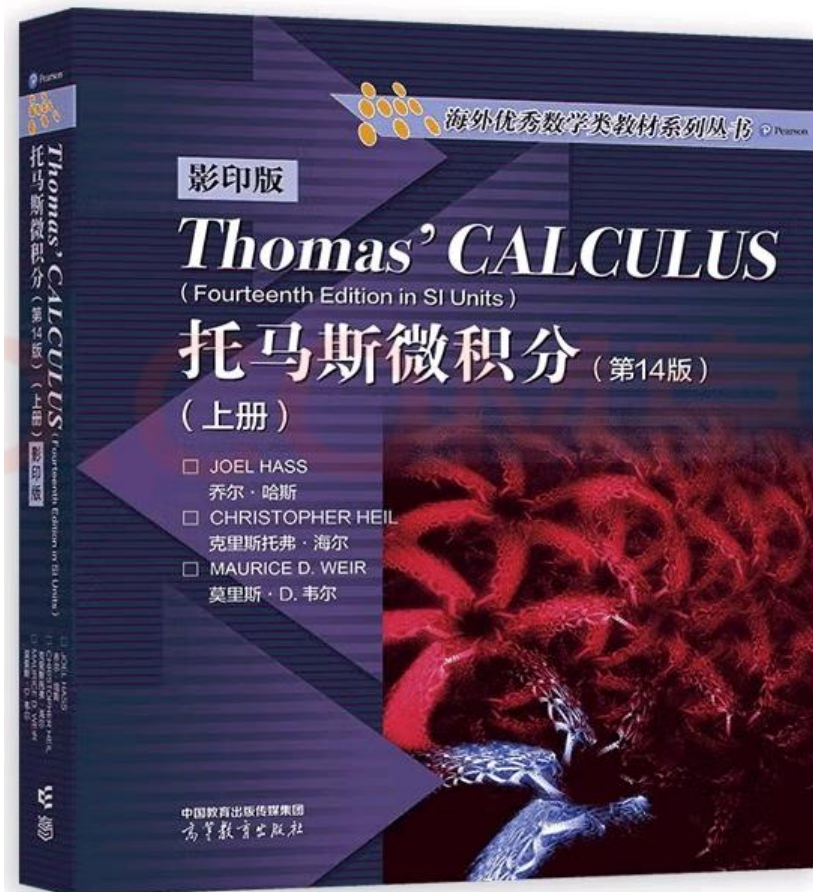
CALCULUS

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About this course (II)

Textbook



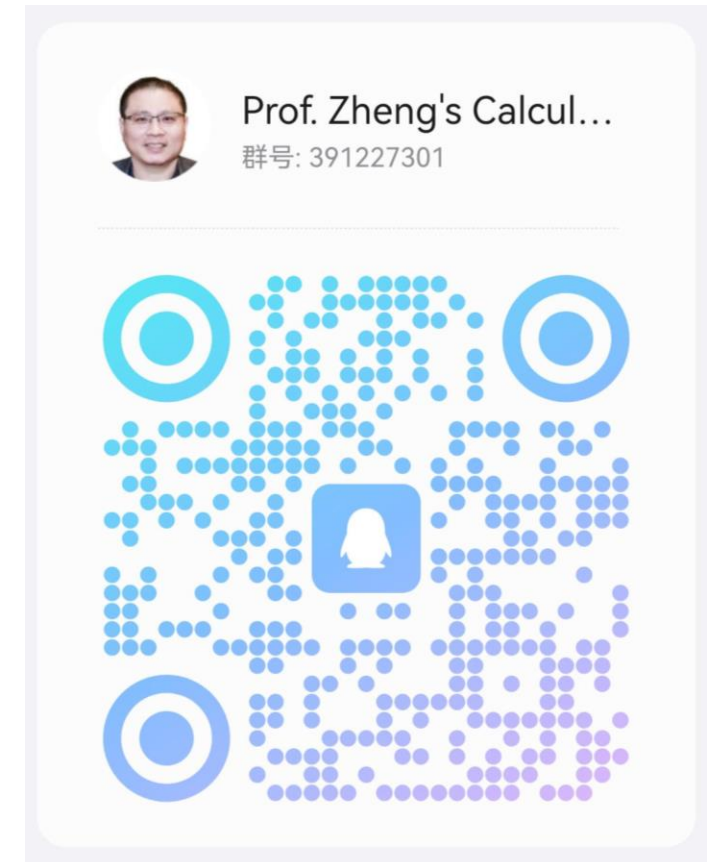
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- What is calculus?

Calculus, a mathematical concept, is the study of differentiation and integration of **functions** in advanced mathematics.

- What is the three important part of calculus?

The three important part of calculus is limits, differentiation, integration.

- What is the research object and key tool of calculus?

The research object of calculus is functions and the key tool for studying calculus is the limit.

- Calculus has extensive applications in almost all fields such as physics, astronomy, optics mechanics, and thermodynamics.

- **Functions** are fundamental to the study of calculus. A review of functions and their graphs is necessary and beneficial.

DEFINITION: A **function** f from a set D to a set Y is a **rule** that assigns a **unique** (single) element $y \in Y$ to each element $x \in D$. In this case, we say that “ y is a function of x ” and write this symbolically as $y = f(x)$.

The set D of all possible input values is called the **domain** of the function. The set

$$R = \{y \mid y = f(x), \forall x \in D\}$$

is called the **range** of the function.

- When we define a function $y = f(x)$ with a formula and the domain is not stated explicitly or restricted by context, the domain is assumed to be the largest set of real x -values for which the formula gives real y -values, which is called the **natural domain**.

$$\text{natural domain} = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid f(x) \text{ is a real number.}\}$$

Example 1:

Let's verify the natural domains and associated ranges of some simple functions.

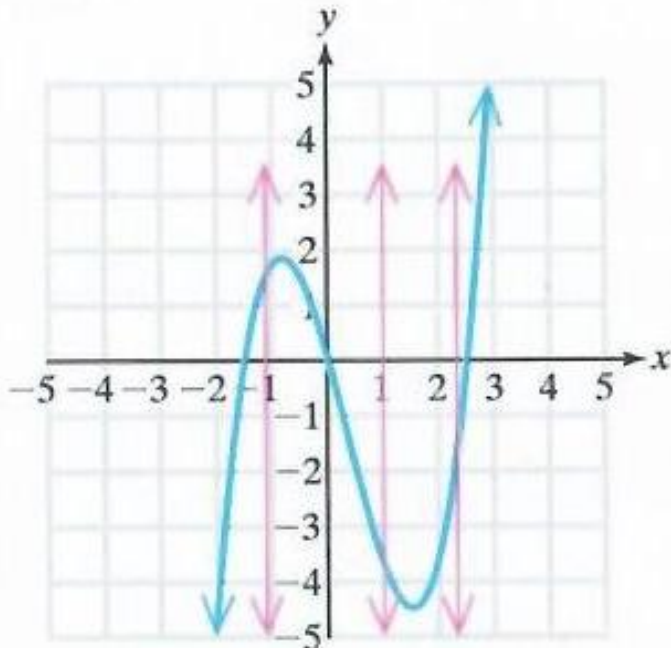
$$1) \quad y = x^2. \quad 2) \quad y = \sqrt{x}. \quad 3) \quad y = \frac{1}{x}. \quad 4) \quad y = \sqrt{4-x}. \quad 5) \quad y = \sqrt{1-x^2}.$$

Ch 1 Functions – A Brief Review

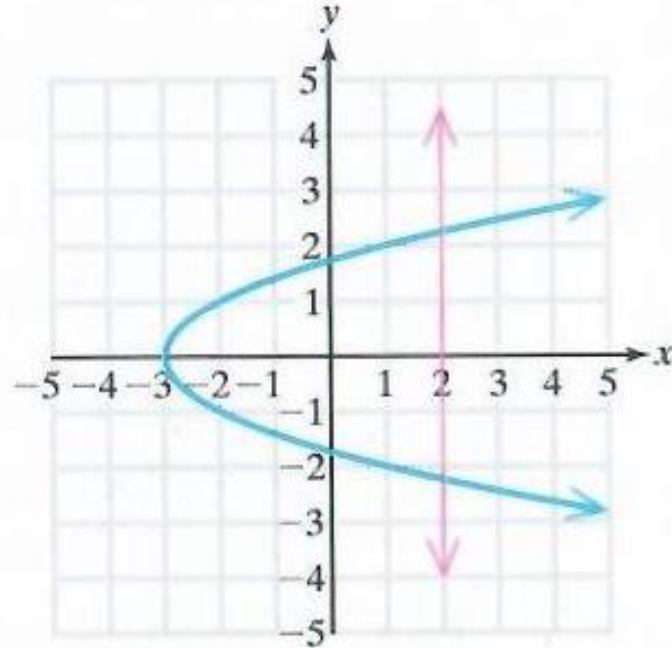
The Vertical Line Test for a Function

Consider a relation defined by a set of points (x, y) graphed on a rectangular coordinate system. The graph defines y as a function of x if no vertical line intersects the graph in more than one point.

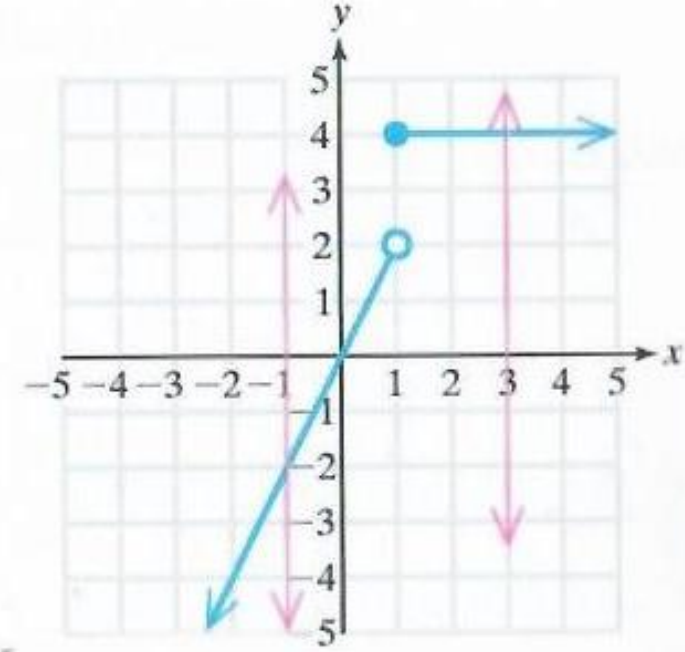
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Common Functions:

① Linear Function:

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

where m and b are **constants**.

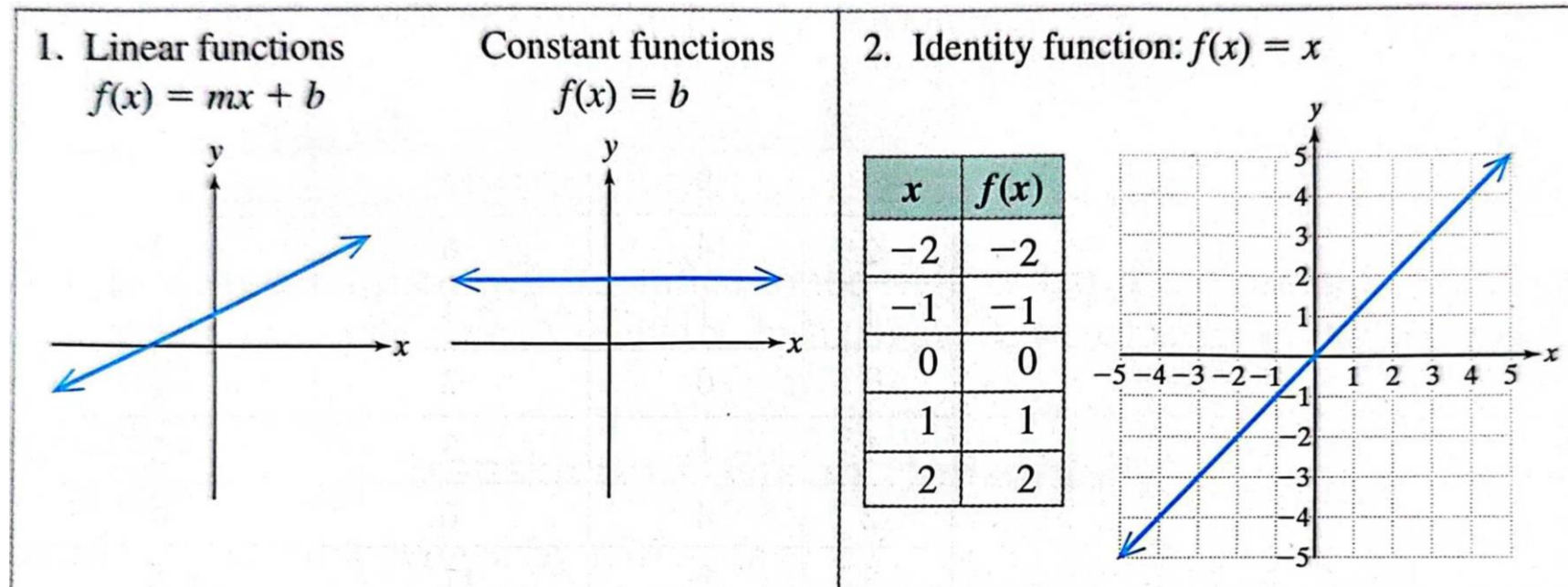
Special cases:

1) $m = 0$:

$f(x) = b$ **constant** function.

2) $m = 1$, $b = 0$:

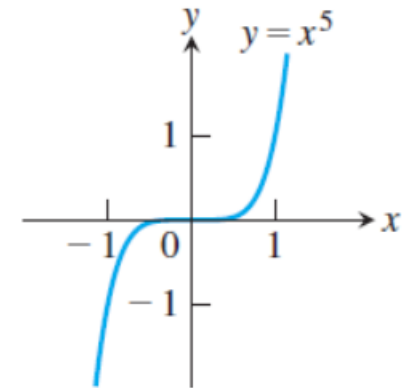
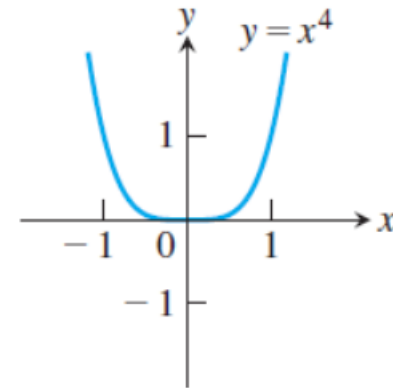
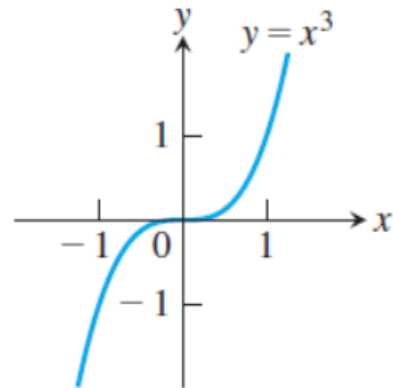
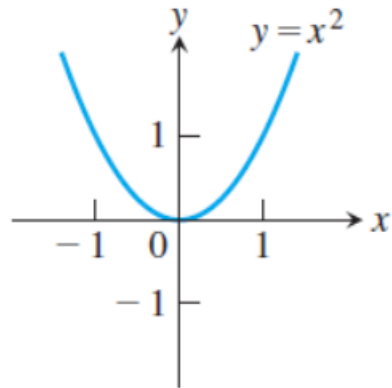
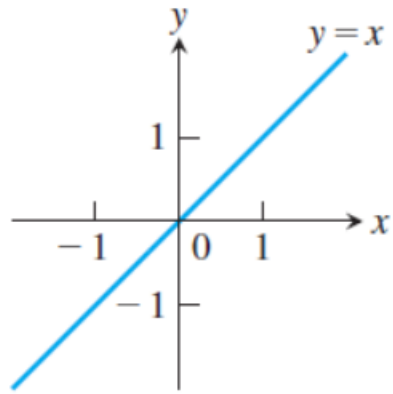
$f(x) = x$ **identity** function.



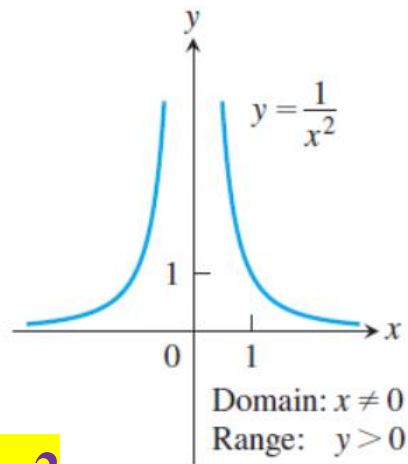
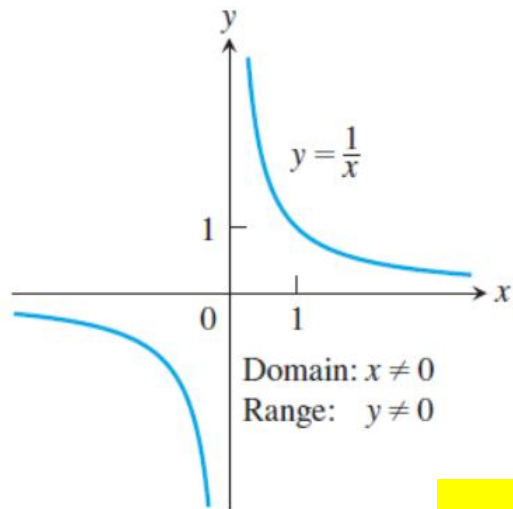
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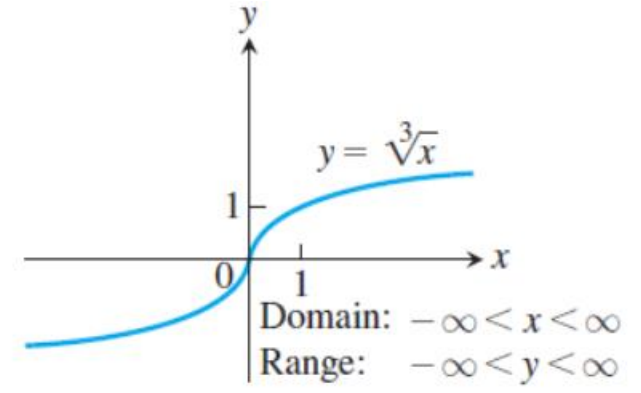
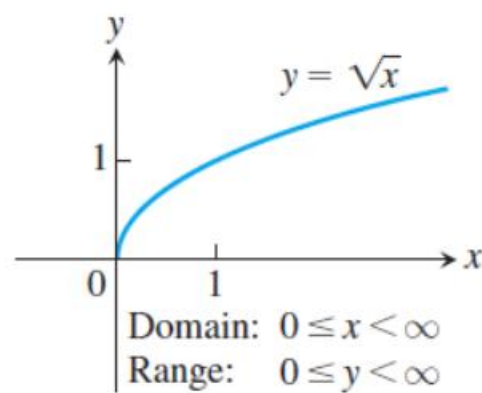
② Power Function: $f(x) = x^a$ where a is a **constant**.



$a = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$



$a = -1, -2$



$a = 1/2, 1/3$

Common Functions:

③ Polynomial Function:

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

where n be a **whole number** and a_n, \dots, a_0 are **real numbers** ($a_n \neq 0$).

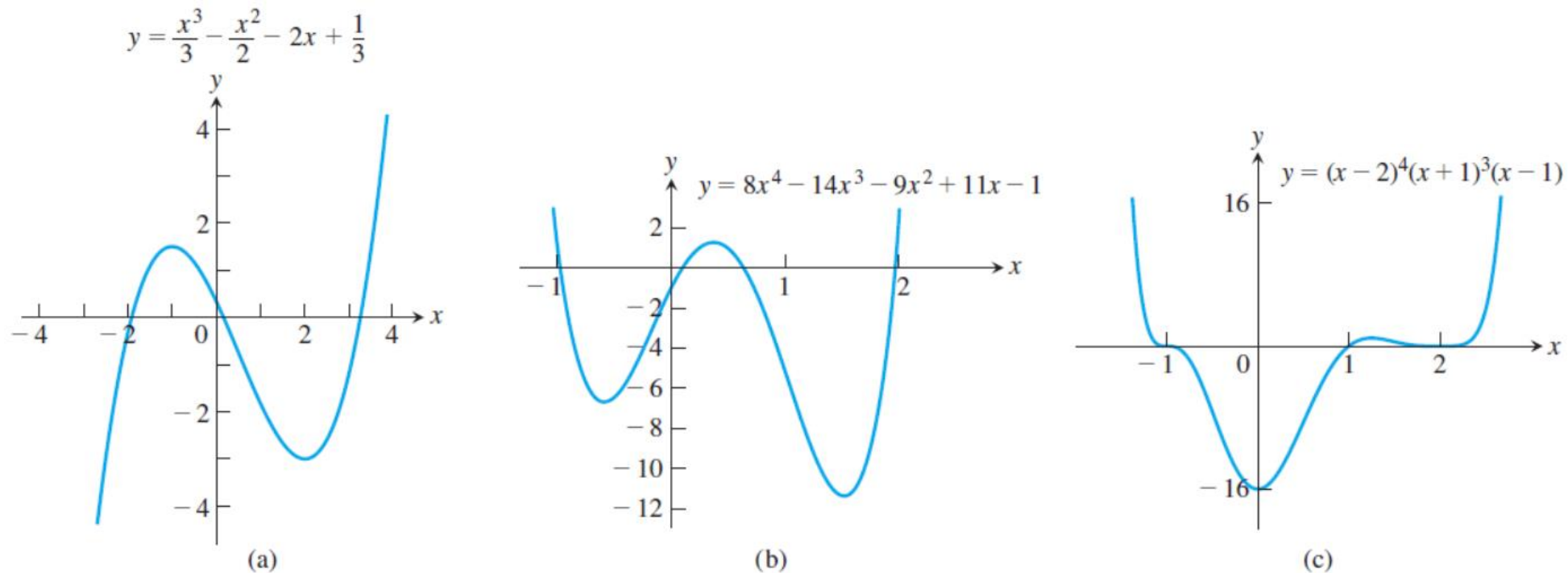


FIGURE 1.18 Graphs of three polynomial functions.

Common Functions:

④ Rational Function:

$$f(x) = \frac{p(x)}{q(x)}$$

where $p(x)$ and $q(x)$ are **polynomials**.

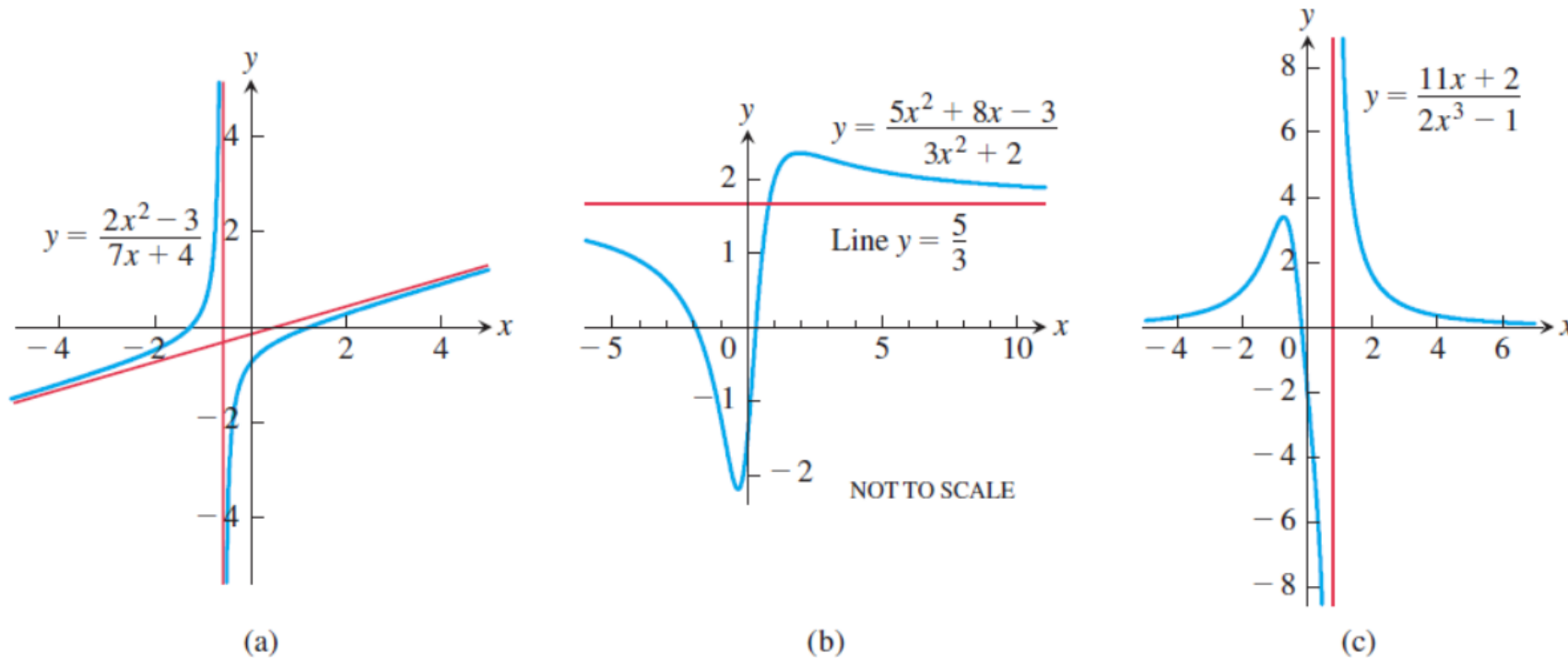


FIGURE 1.19 Graphs of three rational functions. The straight red lines approached by the graphs are called

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Common Functions:

⑤ Trigonometric Functions:

$$\sin x = \frac{y}{r}$$

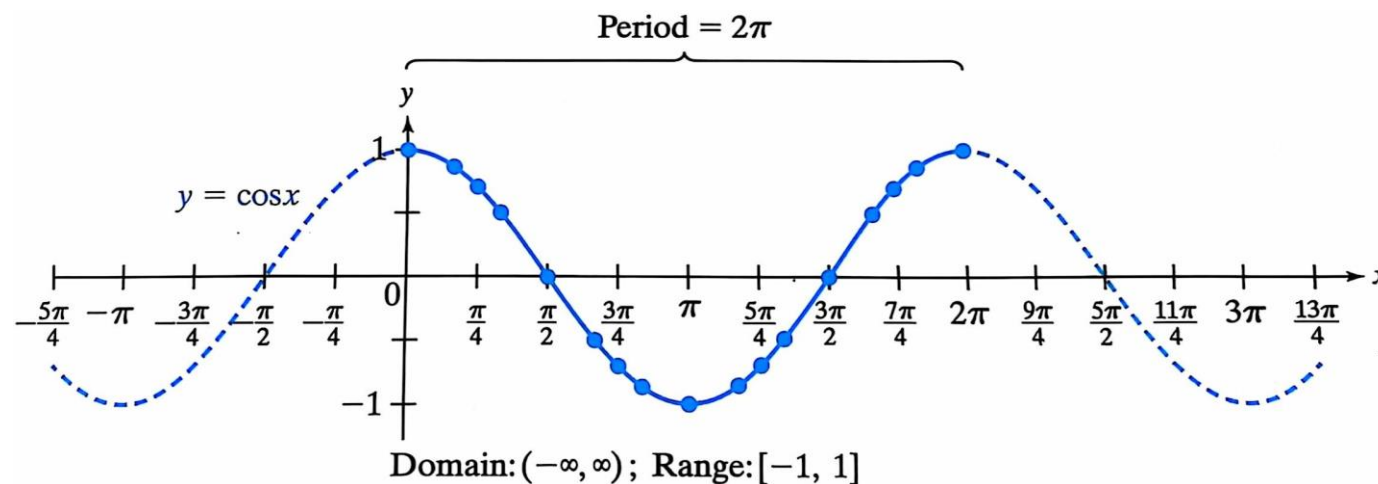
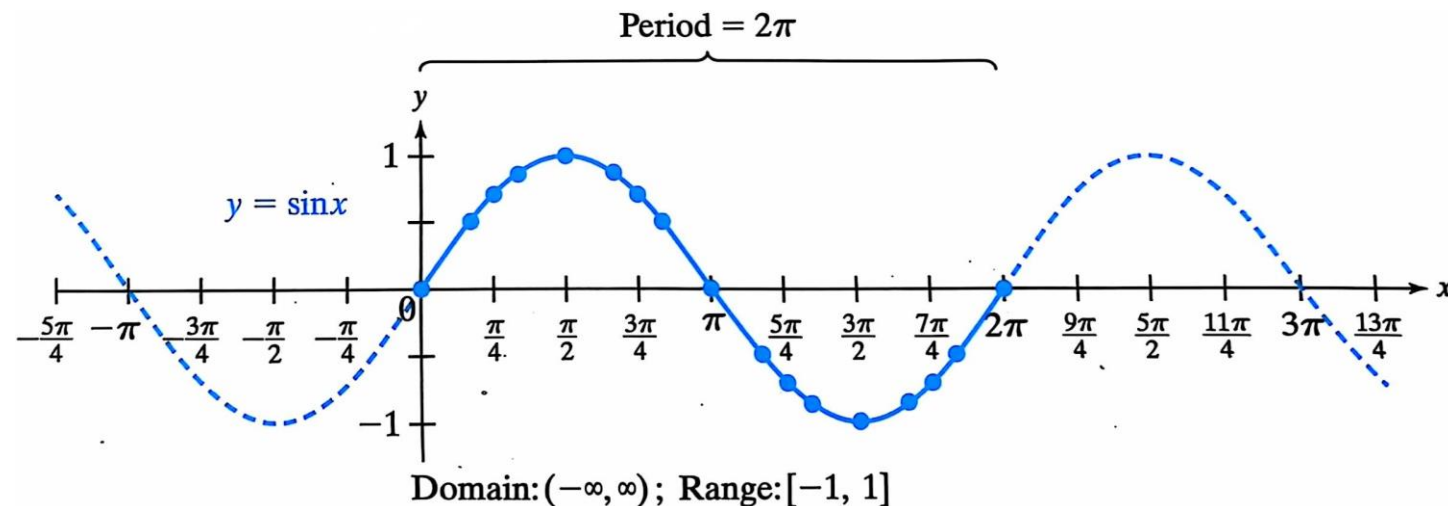
$$\cos x = \frac{x}{r}$$

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

$$\cot x = \frac{\cos x}{\sin x} = \frac{x}{y}$$

$$\sec x = \frac{1}{\cos x} = \frac{r}{x}$$

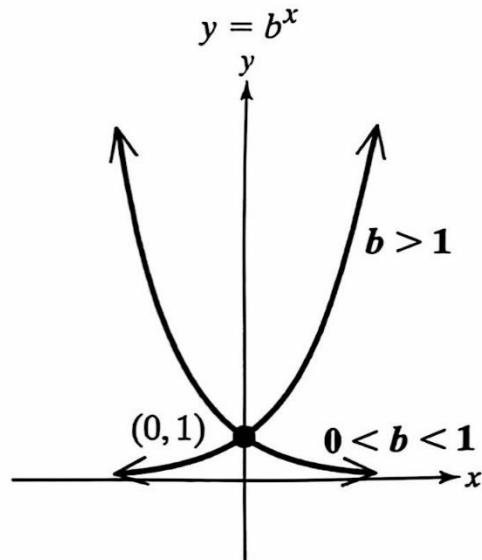
$$\csc x = \frac{1}{\sin x} = \frac{r}{y}$$



Pythagorean Identity: $\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x = 1$

Common Functions: ⑥ Exponential Functions and ⑦ Logarithmic Functions

Exponential Functions



Domain: $(-\infty, \infty)$

Range: $(0, \infty)$

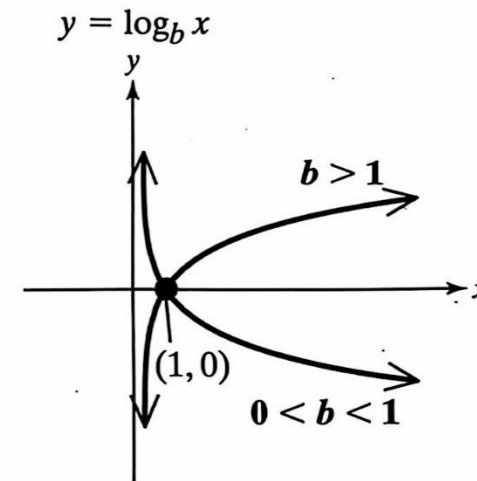
Horizontal asymptote: $y = 0$

Passes through $(0, 1)$

If $b > 1$, the function is increasing.

If $0 < b < 1$, the function is decreasing.

Logarithmic Functions



Domain: $(0, \infty)$

Range: $(-\infty, \infty)$

Vertical asymptote: $x = 0$

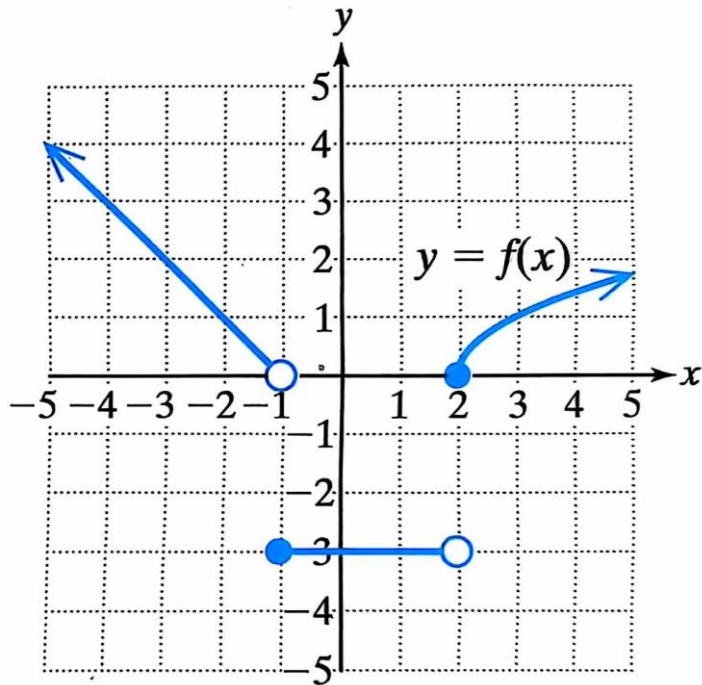
Passes through $(1, 0)$

If $b > 1$, the function is increasing.

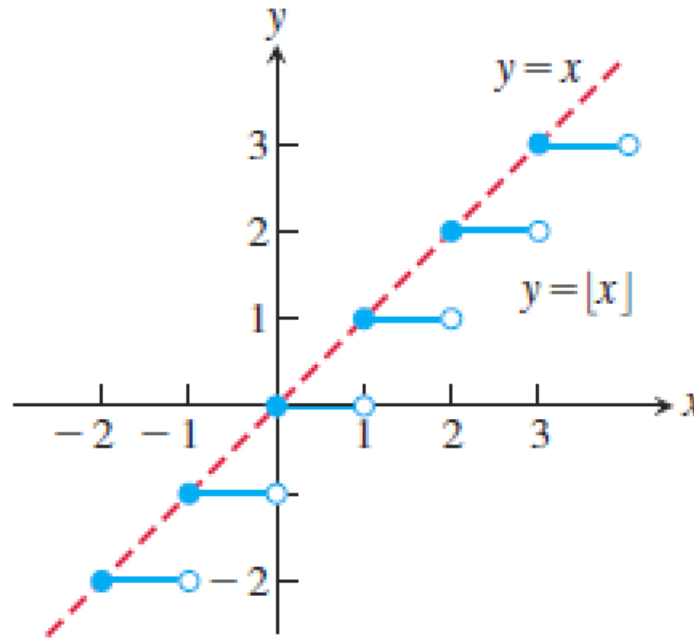
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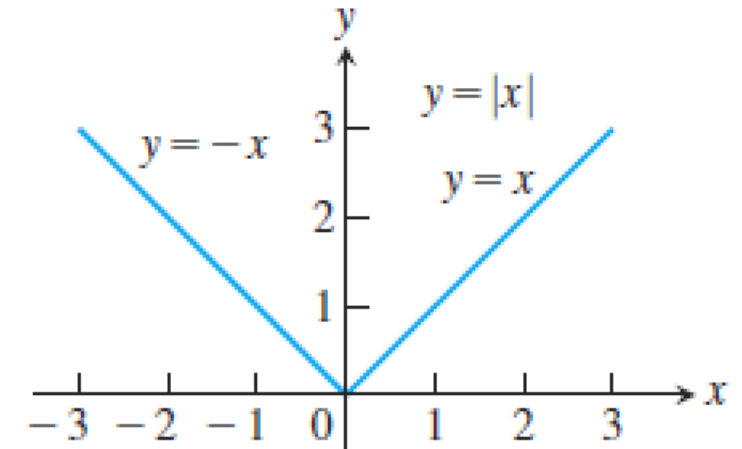
⑧ Piecewise-Defined Functions



General Piecewise-Defined Function



Greatest Integer Function



Absolute Value Function