

§5.3

1. (a) Fill in the table below.

$f(x)$	$ f(x) $	$f(x)$
$x + 2$		
$x^2 - 4x$		
$x^3 - 3x^2$		
$(x + 1)^{-1}$		
$\sqrt{x + 2} - 3$		

$f(x)$	$ f(x) $	$f(x)$
$x + 2$	$ x + 2 $	$ x + 2$
$x^2 - 4x$	$ x^2 - 4x $	$ x ^2 - 3 x = x^2 - 4 x $
$x^3 - 3x^2$	$ x^3 - 3x^2 $	$ x ^3 - 3 x ^2 = x ^3 - 3x^2$
$(x + 1)^{-1}$	$ (x + 1)^{-1} $	$(x + 1)^{-1}$
$\sqrt{x + 2} - 3$	$ \sqrt{x + 2} - 3 $	$\sqrt{ x + 2} - 3$

- (b) For each function f above, graph $y = f(x)$ and $y = |f(x)|$ using a graphing utility.

- Write a sentence (or two!) explaining how to obtain the graph of $y = |f(x)|$ from $y = f(x)$.
To obtain the graph of $y = |f(x)|$ from $y = f(x)$, reflect about the x -axis any portion of the graph of $y = f(x)$ which is below the x -axis.
- How does your explanation relate to Definition ???
If the graph is below the x -axis, then $f(x) < 0$. Since $|f(x)| = -f(x)$ if $f(x) < 0$, we are graphing $y = -f(x)$ for these values of x which is a reflection across the x -axis.

- (c) For each function f above, graph $y = f(x)$ and $y = f(|x|)$ using a graphing utility.

- Write a sentence (or two!) explaining how to obtain the graph of $y = f(|x|)$ from $y = f(x)$.
To obtain the graph of $y = f(|x|)$ from $y = f(x)$, replace the portion of the graph of $y = f(x)$ for $x \leq 0$ with the reflection about the y -axis of the portion of the graph of $y = f(x)$ for $x \geq 0$.
- How does your explanation relate to Definition ???
If $x < 0$, then $|x| = -x$, so $f(|x|) = f(-x)$. Since if $x < 0$, $-x > 0$, this means we reflect the graph of $y = f(x)$ about the y -axis for $x > 0$ only.

(d) Use the graph of $y = f(x)$ below to graph $y = |f(x)|$ and $y = f(|x|)$.

