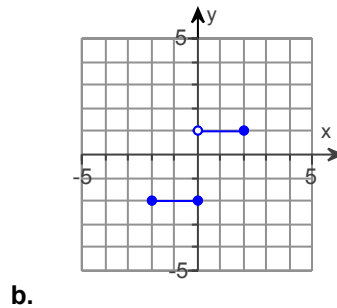
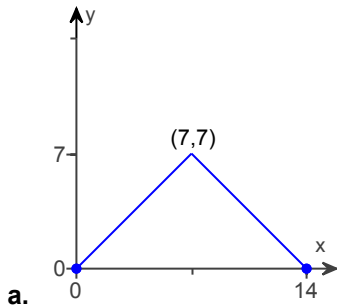


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Find a formula for the function graphed.



a. The graph shows a function which can best be defined as a piecewise function with two pieces. Thus, it contains y-values given by two different formulas.

Starting at $x = 0$ and ending at $x = 7$, the function is $f(x) = x$.

Starting at $x = 7$ and ending at $x = 14$, the function is $f(x) = -x + 14$.

Write each piece of the function using the proper notation. Notice that $x = 7$ only needs to be included in one piece of the function, and it is arbitrary which piece is chosen. In this case, it will be included in the first piece.

$$f(x) = x, 0 \leq x \leq 7$$

$$f(x) = -x + 14, 7 < x \leq 14$$

Thus, the formula for the function is
$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x, & 0 \leq x \leq 7 \\ -x + 14, & 7 < x \leq 14 \end{cases}.$$

b. The graph shows two horizontal line segments. Thus, it contains only two y-values.

Starting at $x = -2$ and ending at $x = 0$, the function is $f(x) = -2$.

Starting at $x = 0$ and ending at $x = 2$, the function is $f(x) = 1$.

Write each piece of the function using the proper notation.

$$f(x) = -2, -2 \leq x \leq 0$$

$$f(x) = 1, 0 < x \leq 2$$

Thus, the formula for the function is
$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -2, & -2 \leq x \leq 0 \\ 1, & 0 < x \leq 2 \end{cases}.$$