

# Mathematics in Science, Engineering & Programming

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What you (don't) know

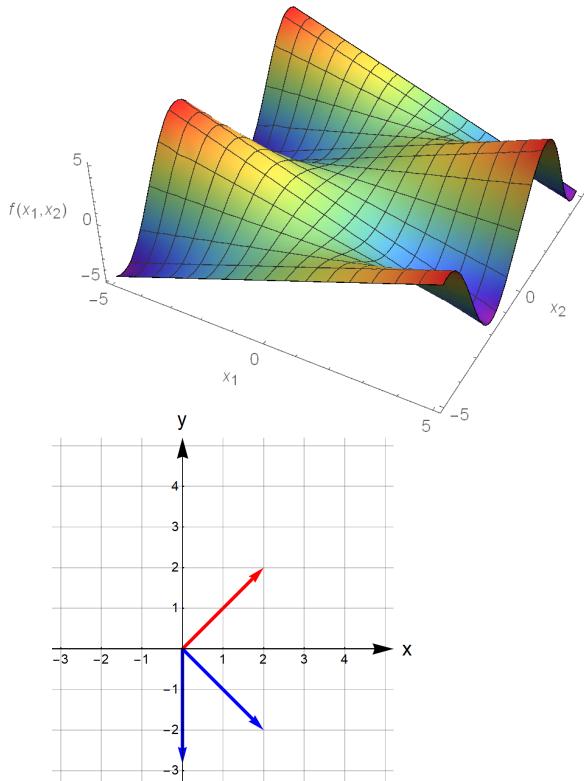
# What you know & What is new

"Pilot section" – what you know from school is important but there is still much to learn

## What you know

- Functions
- Exponential function
- Vectors

$$e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} x^n = 1 + x + \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{6}x^3 + \frac{1}{24}x^4 + \dots$$



## What is new

- Multidimensional functions
- Factorization
- Complex numbers  $i^2 = -1$        $\sqrt{-1} = i$
- Exponential function as a series
- Vectors in different coordinate systems
- Matrices

$$\underline{R}_{\alpha} \mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\alpha) & -\sin(\alpha) \\ \sin(\alpha) & \cos(\alpha) \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}$$

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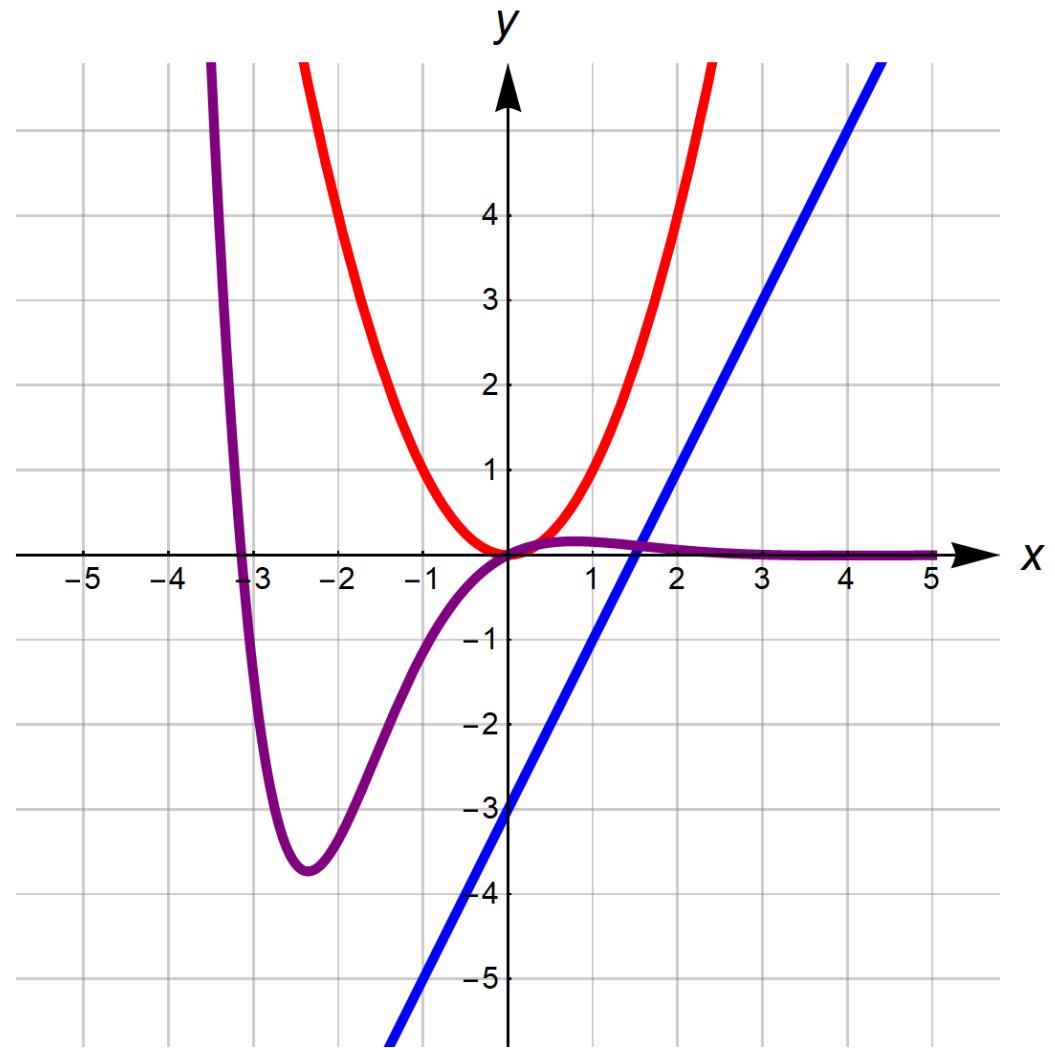
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Functions

# Functions

$$y = x^2$$

$$y = 2x - 3$$

$$y = \sin(x)e^{-x}$$



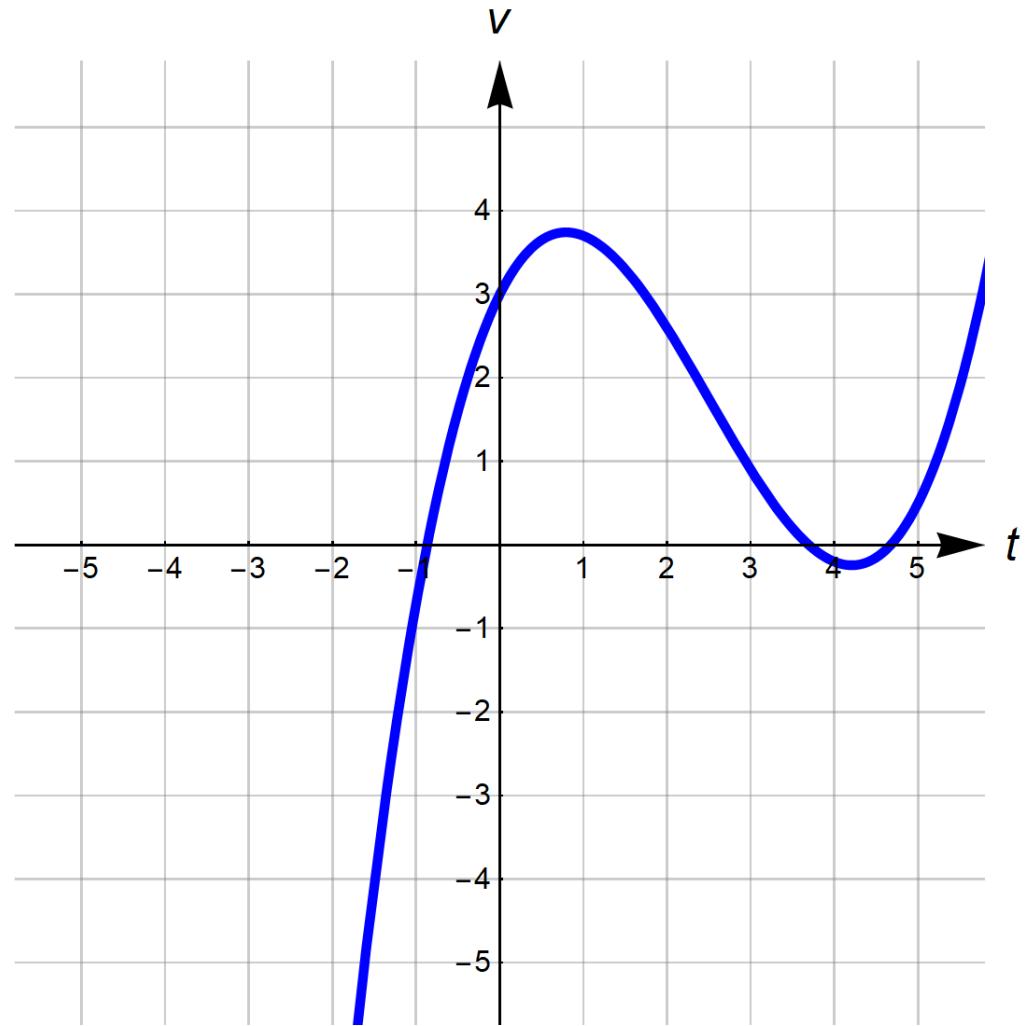
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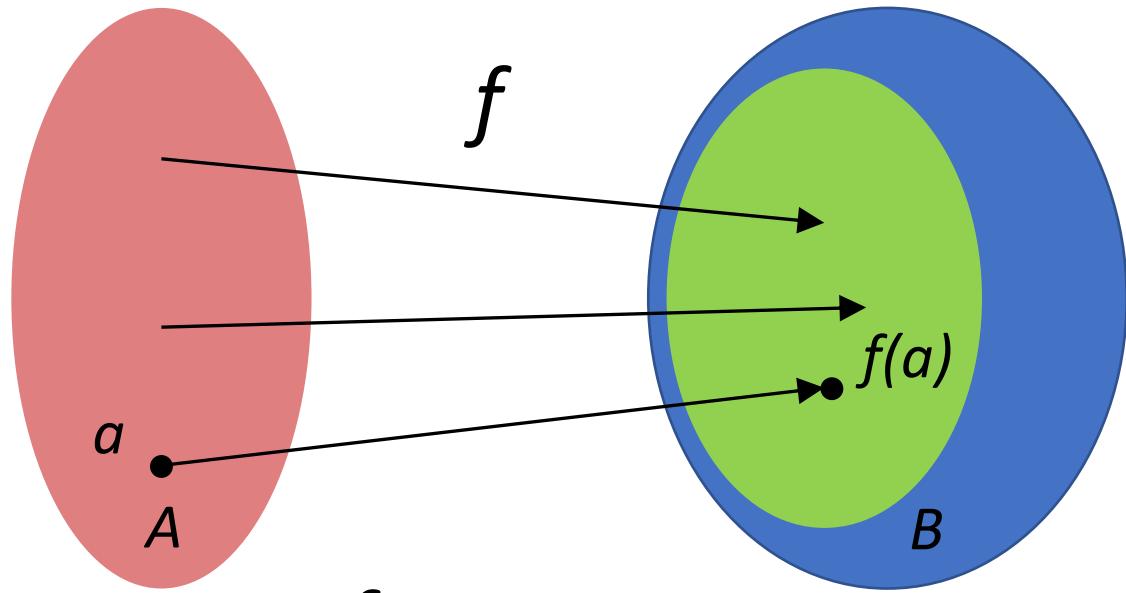
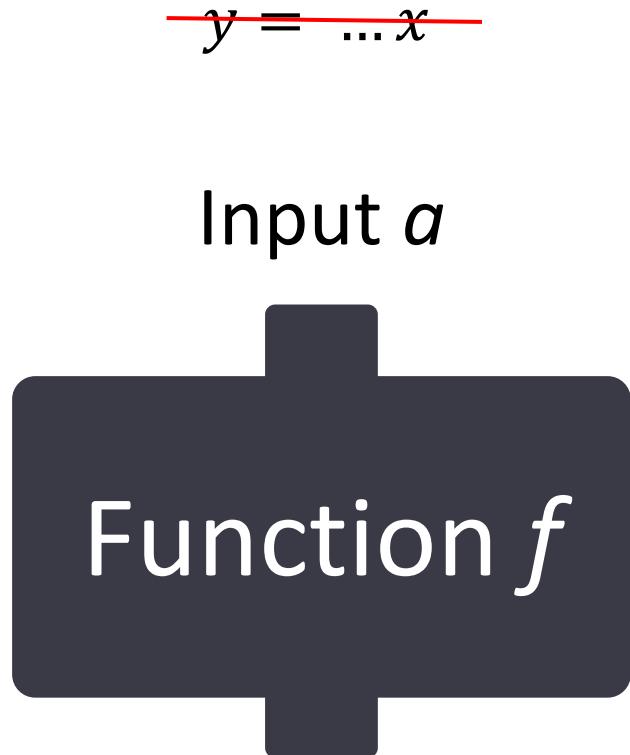
$$y = 2x - 3$$

$$y = \sin(x)e^{-x}$$

$$v(t) = \frac{1}{5}t^3 - \frac{3}{2}t^2 + 2t + 3$$



# Function



$A$  ... domain

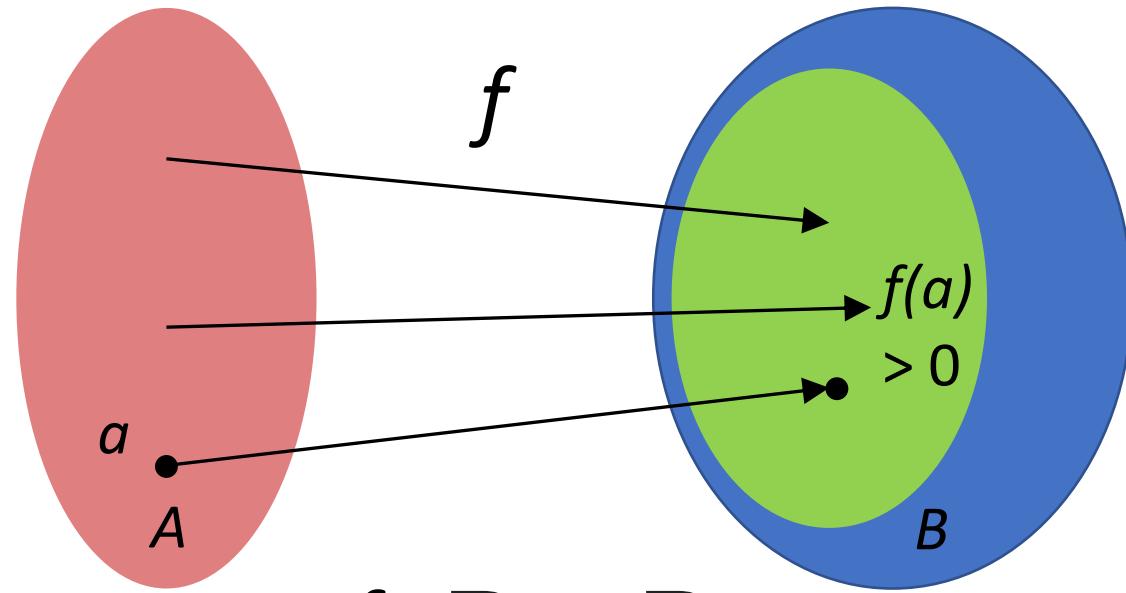
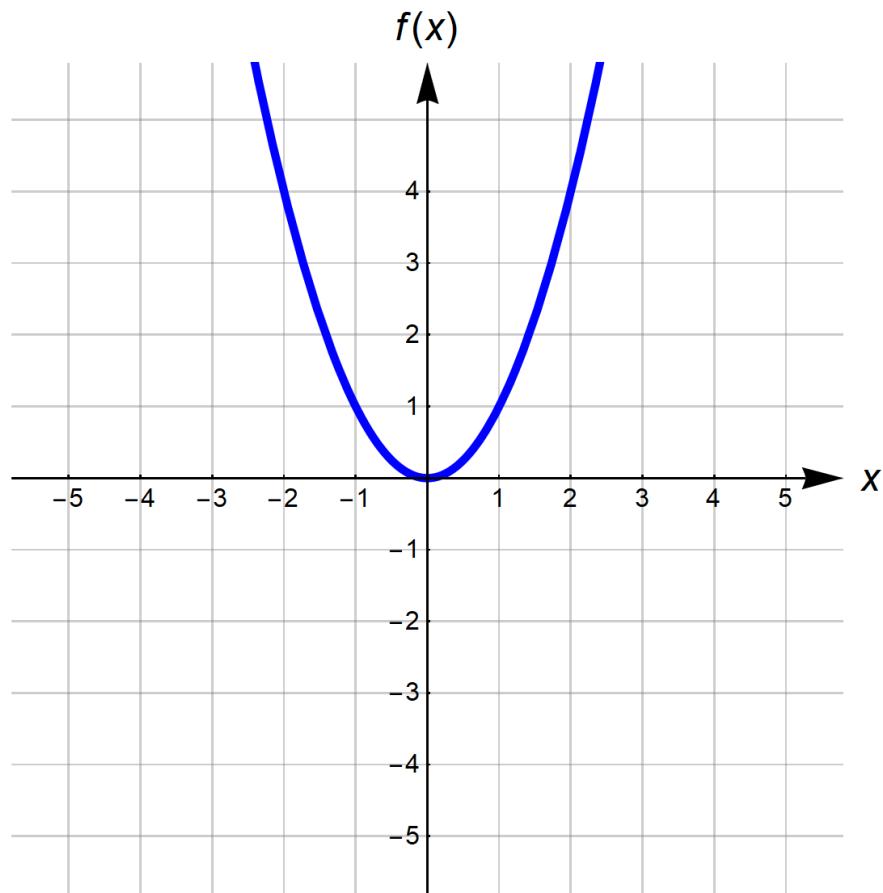
$a$  ... argument

$B$  ... codomain

$f(a)$  ... value

# Function

$$f(x) = x^2$$



$A$  ... domain  $\mathbb{R}$

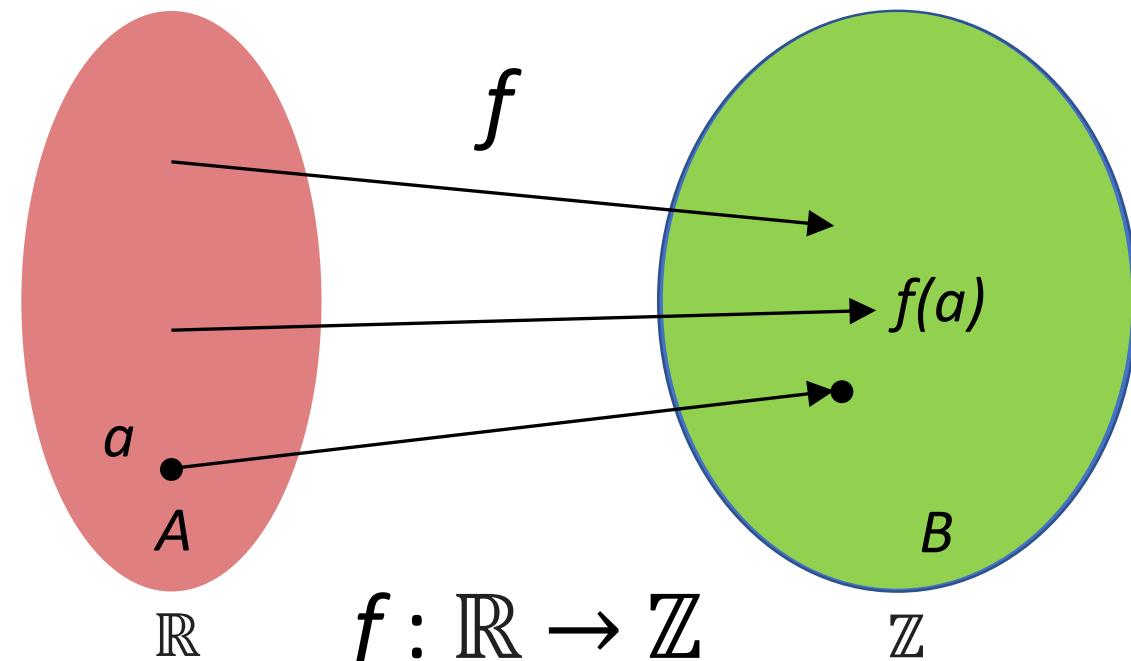
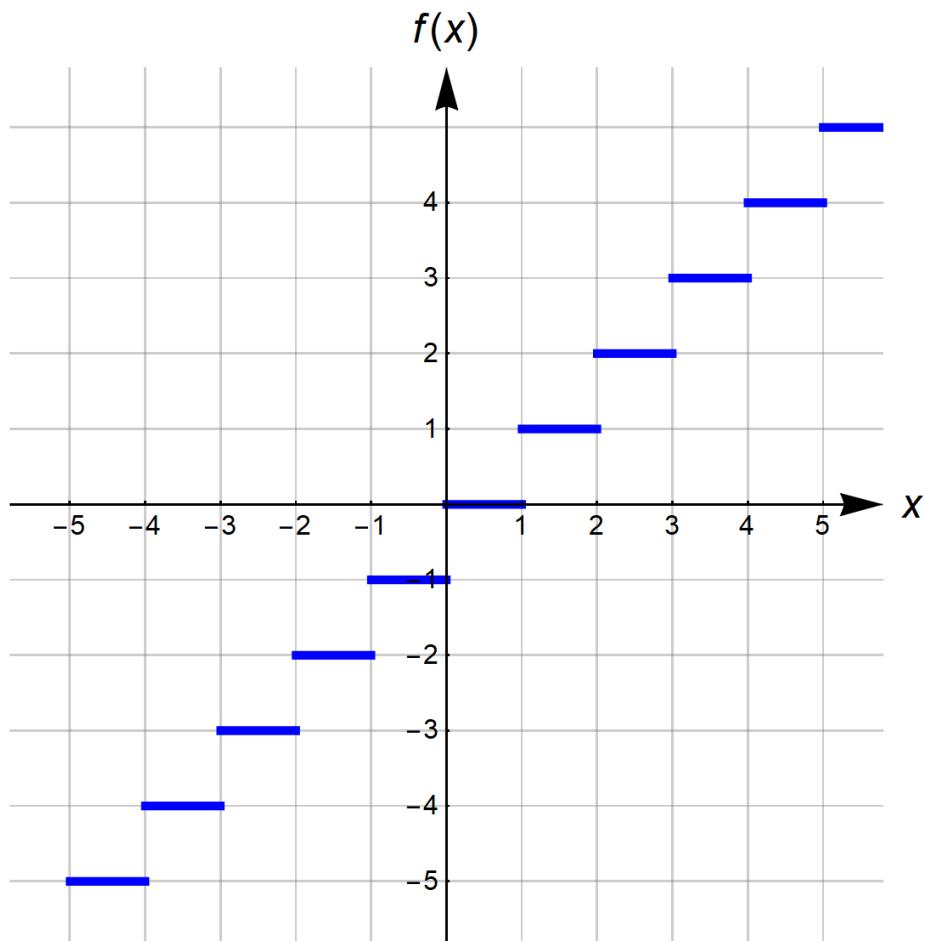
$a$  ... argument

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# Function

$$f(x) = \lfloor x \rfloor \quad \text{Floor function}$$



$A$  ... domain  $\mathbb{R}$

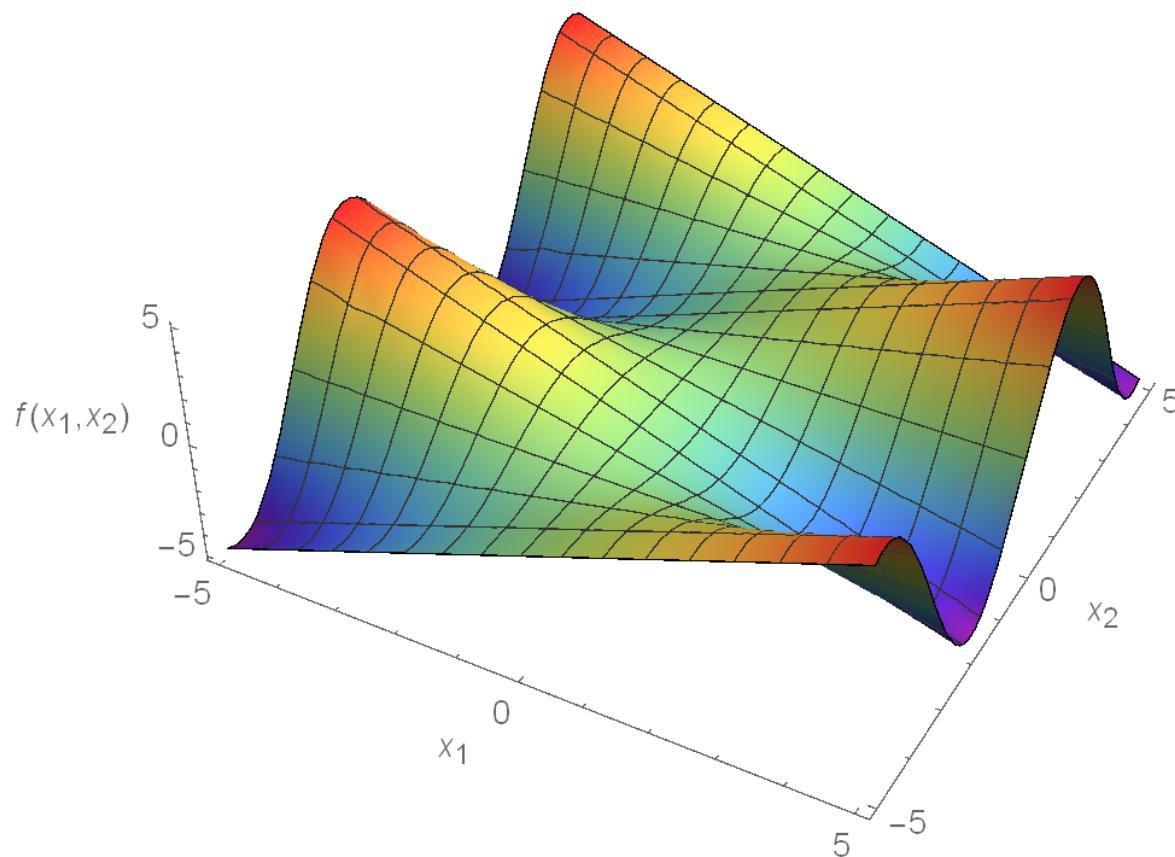
$a$  ... argument

$B$  ... codomain  $\mathbb{Z}$

$f(a)$  ... value

# Outlook

$$f(x_1, x_2) = x_1 \sin(x_2)$$



- Functions can have multiple arguments
- Important for derivatives  $f'(x) = \frac{df(x)}{dx}$

What does  $f'(x_1, x_2)$  mean?

$$\frac{\partial f(x_1, x_2)}{\partial x_1}$$

$$\frac{\partial f(x_1, x_2)}{\partial x_2}$$

Take-home message

~~y = ... x~~

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Linear functions

# Linear functions

$$y = mx + n$$

Intercept

Slope

$$m = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x}$$

- Determine function from two points

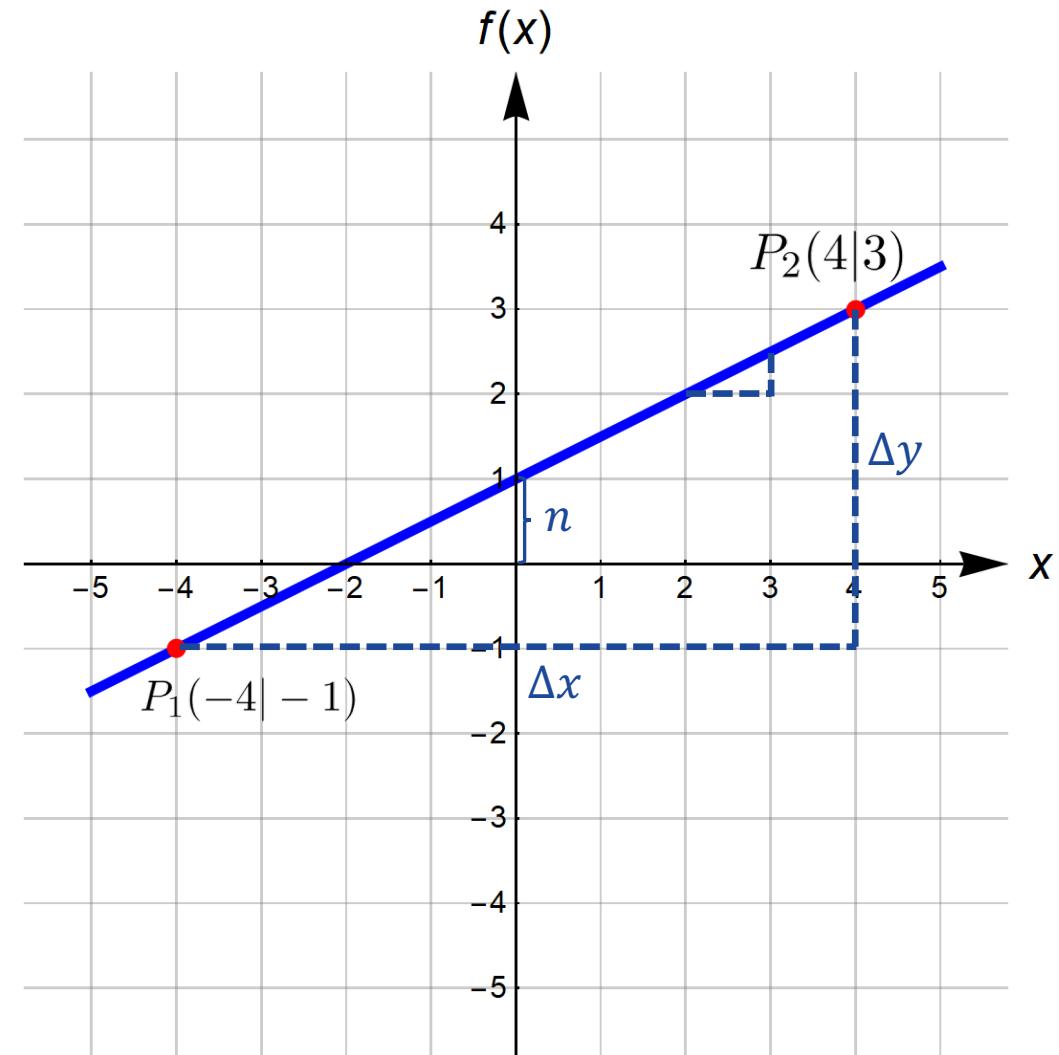
$$m = \frac{3 - (-1)}{4 - (-4)} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2}x + n$$

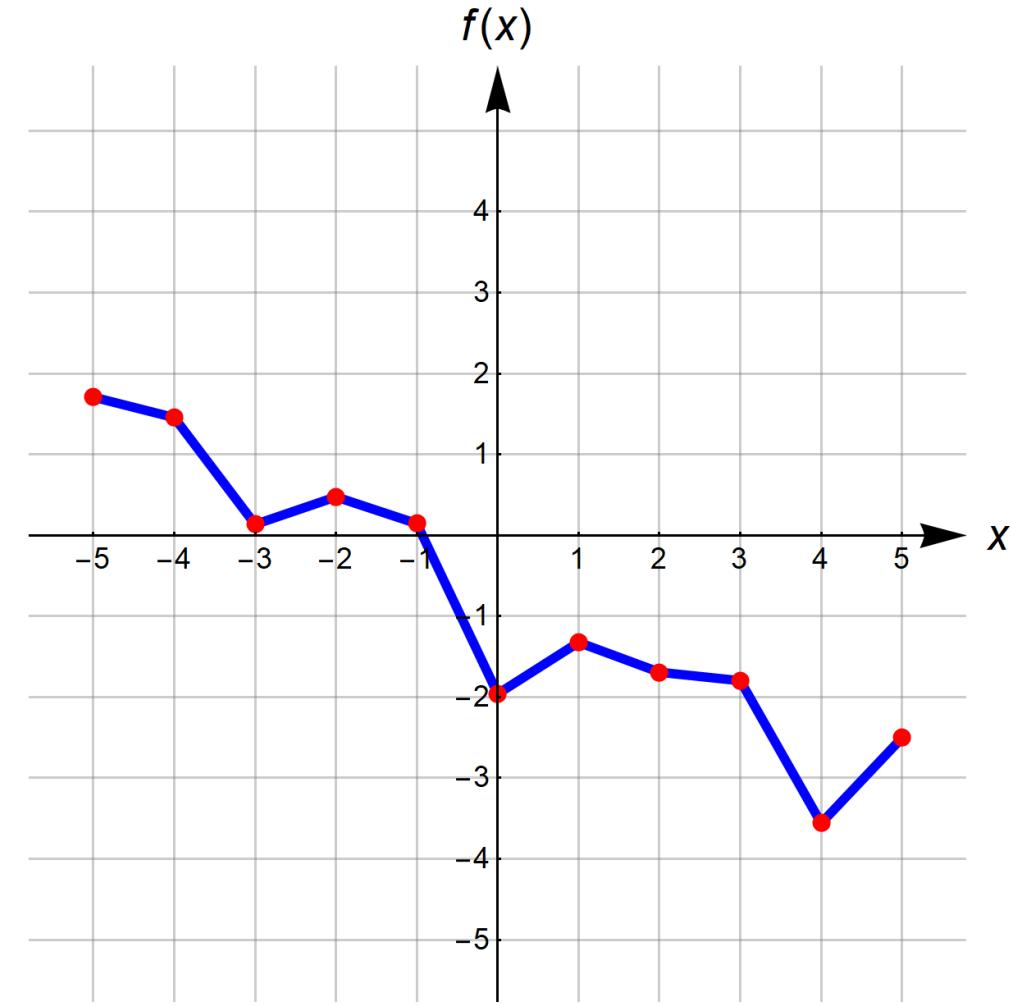
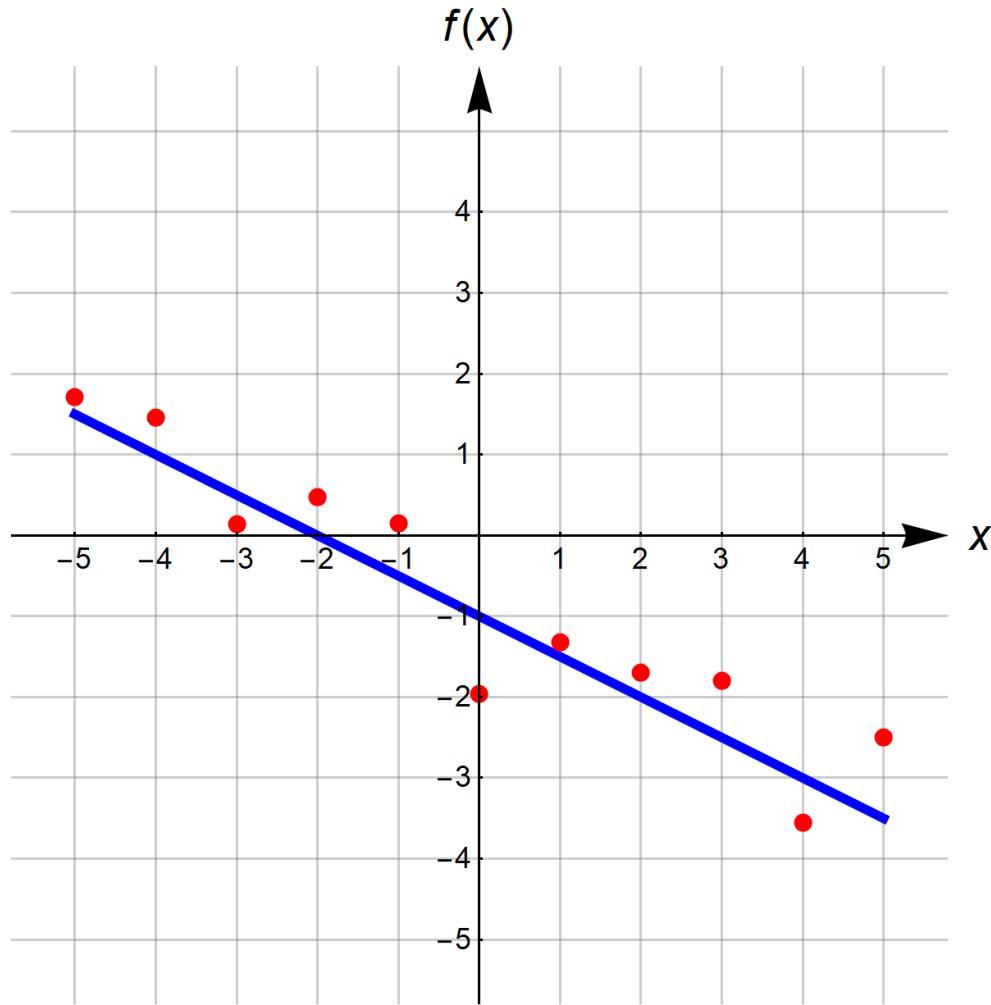
$$n = y - \frac{1}{2}x$$

$$n = 3 - \frac{1}{2}4 = 1$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2}x + 1$$



# Linear functions



# Linear functions

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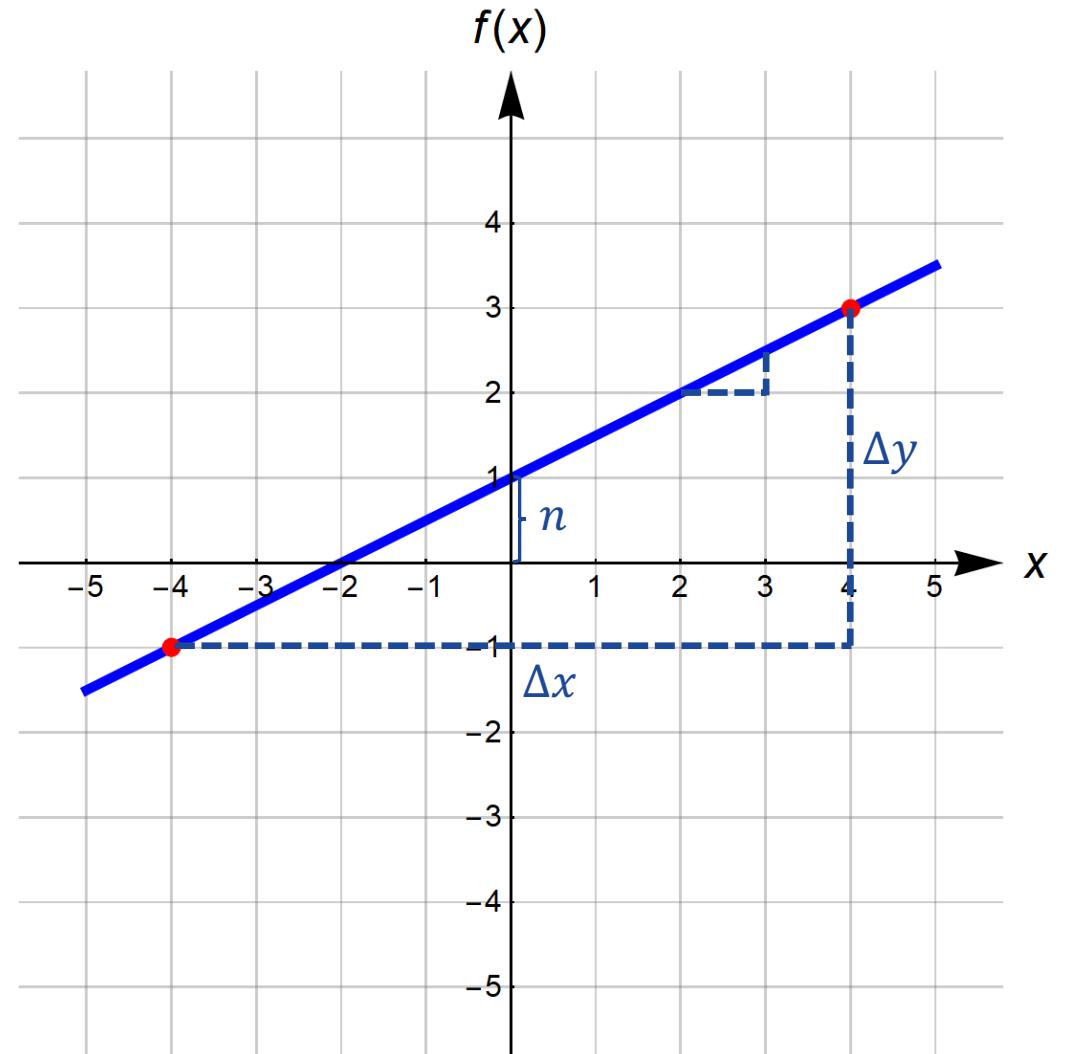
Slope  $m = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x}$

- First-order polynomial

$$f(x) = a_1x + a_0$$

- Multidimensional generalization

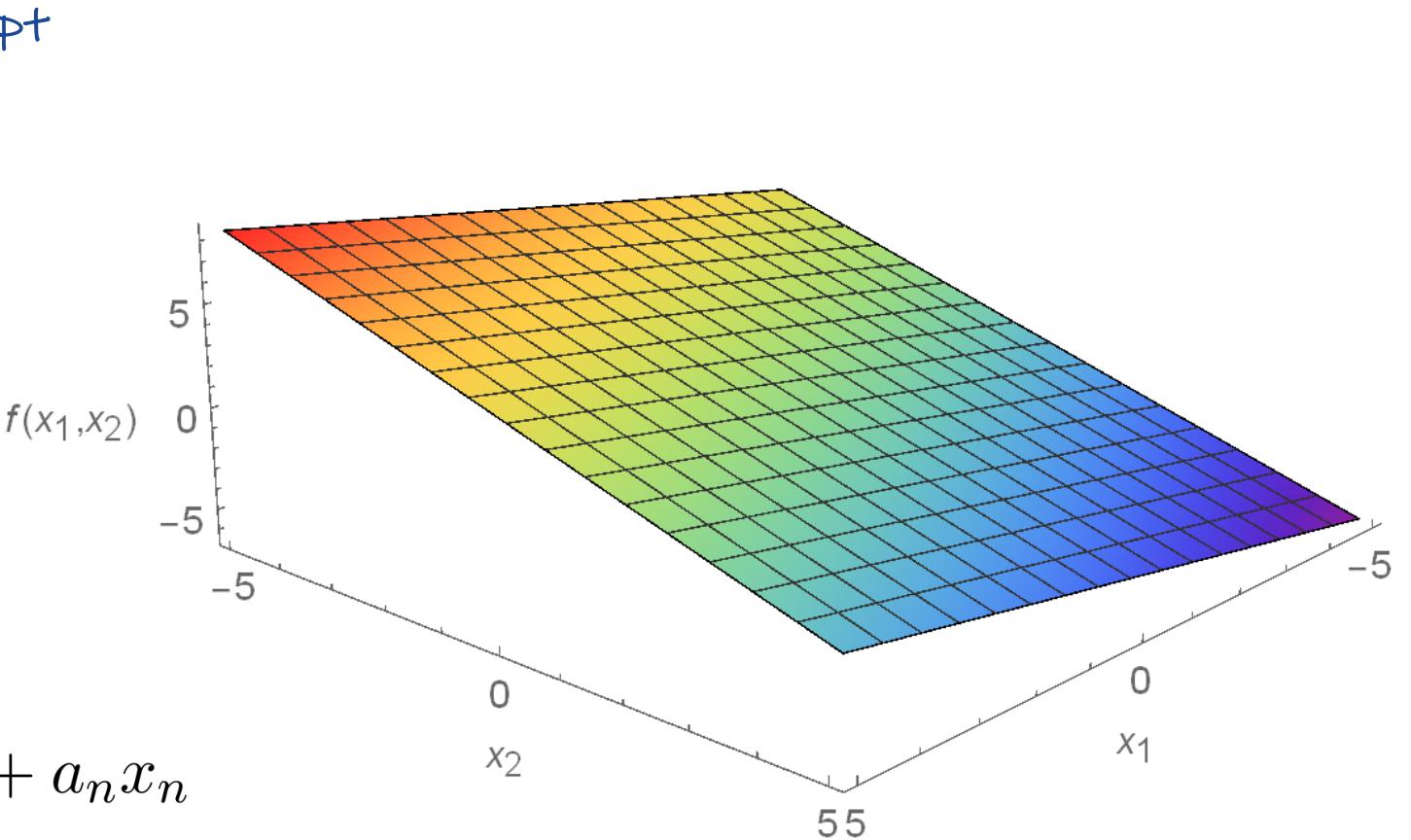
$$f(\mathbf{x}) = a_0 + a_1x_1 + \cdots + a_nx_n$$



# Linear functions

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$$f(\mathbf{x}) = a_0 + a_1 x_1 + \cdots + a_n x_n$$

e.g.  $f(x_1, x_2) = 1 + \frac{1}{2}x_1 - x_2$

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Polynomials

# Polynomials

linear

$$f(x) = a_0 + a_1 x$$

quadratic

$$f(x) = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2$$

cubic

$$f(x) = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + a_3 x^3$$

*n*th order

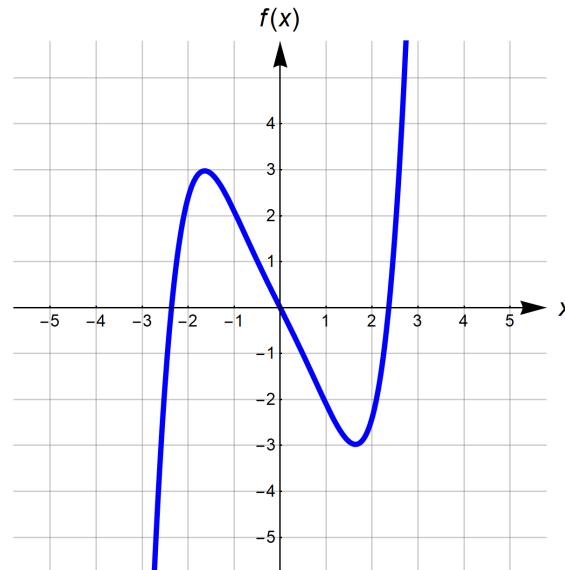
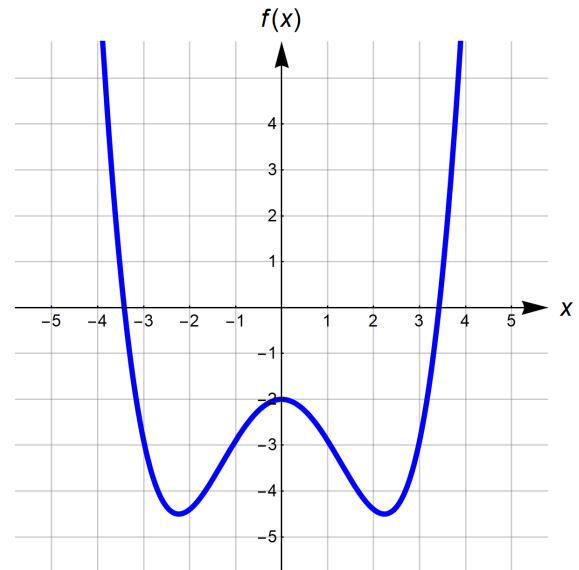
$$f(x) = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + a_3 x^3 + \cdots + a_n x^n$$

- Symmetry

symmetric (even)

$$f(x) = f(-x)$$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{10}x^4 - x^2 - 2$$



antisymmetric (odd)

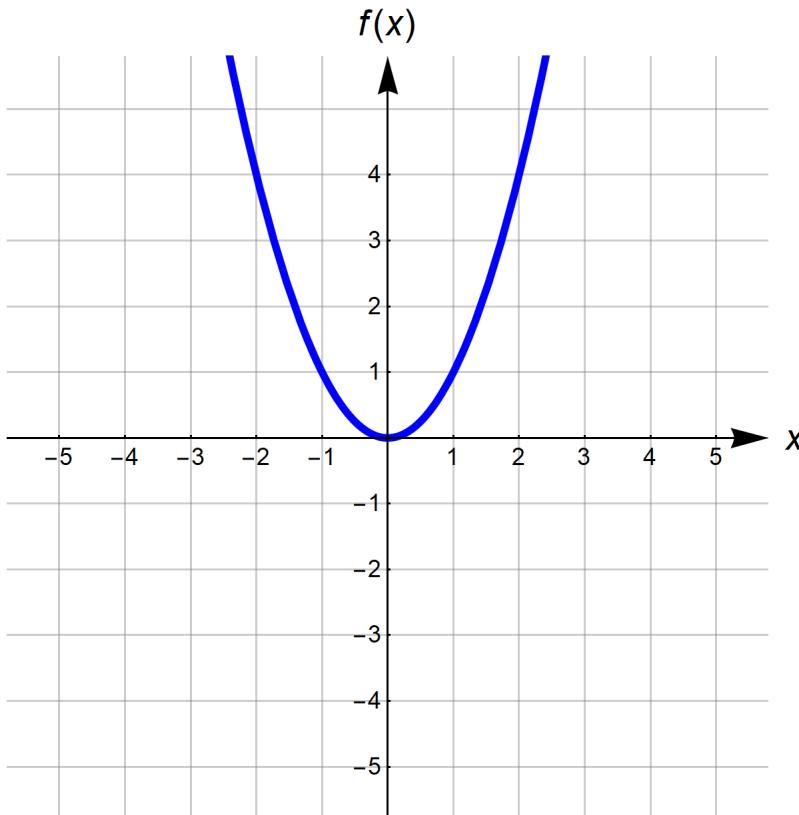
$$-f(x) = f(-x)$$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{10}x^5 - \frac{1}{5}x^3 - 2x$$

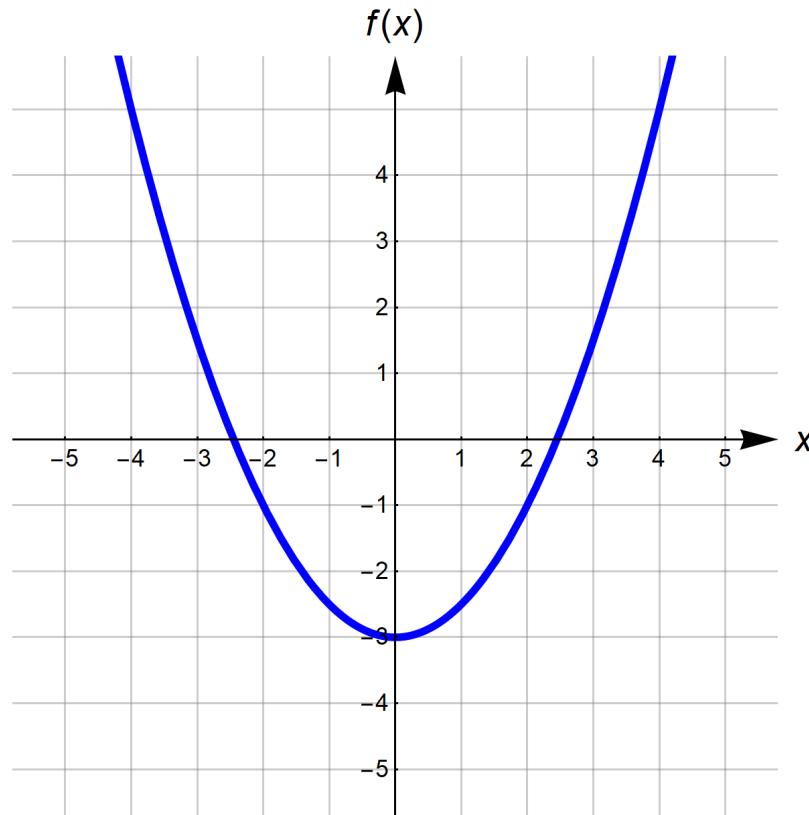
# Quadratic functions

Quadratic function

$$f(x) = a_0 + \cancel{a_1 x} + a_2 x^2$$



$$f(x) = x^2$$



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

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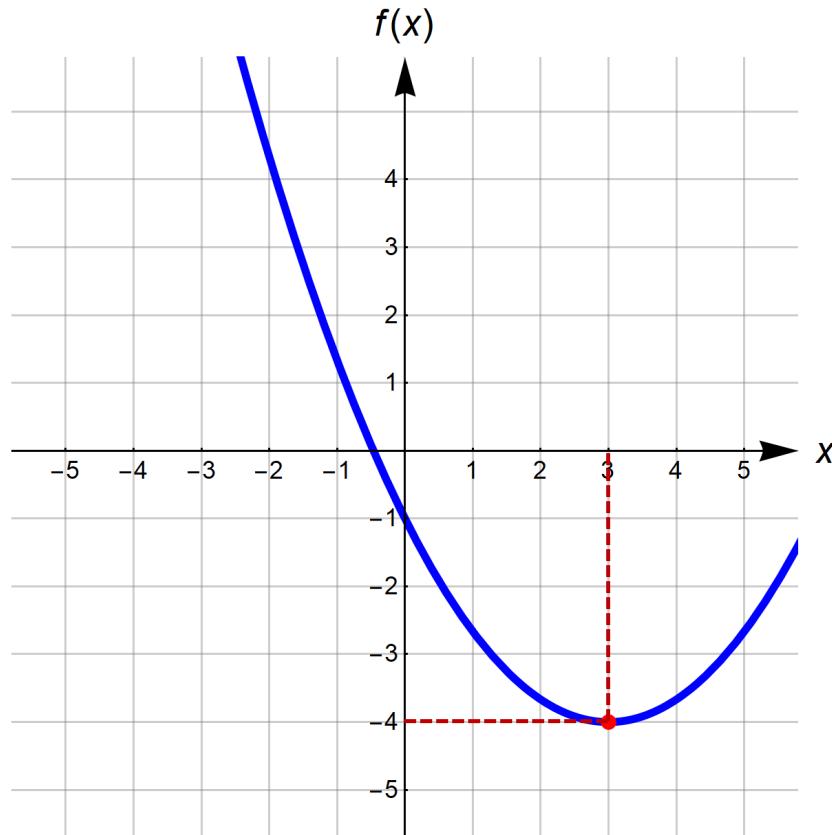
- Vertex form

$$f(x) = a(x - h)^2 + k$$

Extremum  $P(h|k)$

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

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



- No symmetry

not symmetric (even)

$$f(x) \neq f(-x)$$

not antisymmetric (odd)

$$-f(x) \neq f(-x)$$

# Quadratic functions

Quadratic function

$$f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2$$

Vertex form

$$f(x) = a(x - h)^2 + k$$

$$f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2$$

$$f(x) = a_2 \left( x^2 + \frac{a_1}{a_2}x + \frac{a_0}{a_2} \right)$$

$$f(x) = a_2 \left( x^2 + \frac{a_1}{a_2}x + \frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{a_1}{a_2} \right)^2 - \frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{a_1}{a_2} \right)^2 + \frac{a_0}{a_2} \right)$$

$$f(x) = a_2 \left( x + \frac{1}{2} \frac{a_1}{a_2} \right)^2 + \left( a_0 - \frac{1}{4} \frac{a_1^2}{a_2} \right)$$

Extremum  $P \left( -\frac{1}{2} \frac{a_1}{a_2} \mid a_0 - \frac{1}{4} \frac{a_1^2}{a_2} \right)$

Alternative

$$f'(x) = a_1 + 2a_2x$$

$$0 = a_1 + 2a_2x_m$$

$$x_m = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{a_1}{a_2}$$

$$f(x_m) = a_0 - a_1 \frac{1}{2} \frac{a_1}{a_2} + a_2 \frac{1}{4} \frac{a_1^2}{a_2^2}$$

$$f(x_m) = a_0 - \frac{1}{4} \frac{a_1^2}{a_2}$$

# Quadratic equations

Find the roots of

$$f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2$$

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$$0 = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2$$

$$0 = \frac{a_0}{a_2} + \frac{a_1}{a_2}x + x^2$$

$$0 = x^2 + px + q$$

$$0 = \left( x + \frac{p}{2} \right)^2 + \left( q - \frac{p^2}{4} \right)$$

$$x + \frac{p}{2} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{p^2}{4} - q}$$

$$x = -\frac{p}{2} \pm \sqrt{\frac{p^2}{4} - q}$$

Exactly solvable

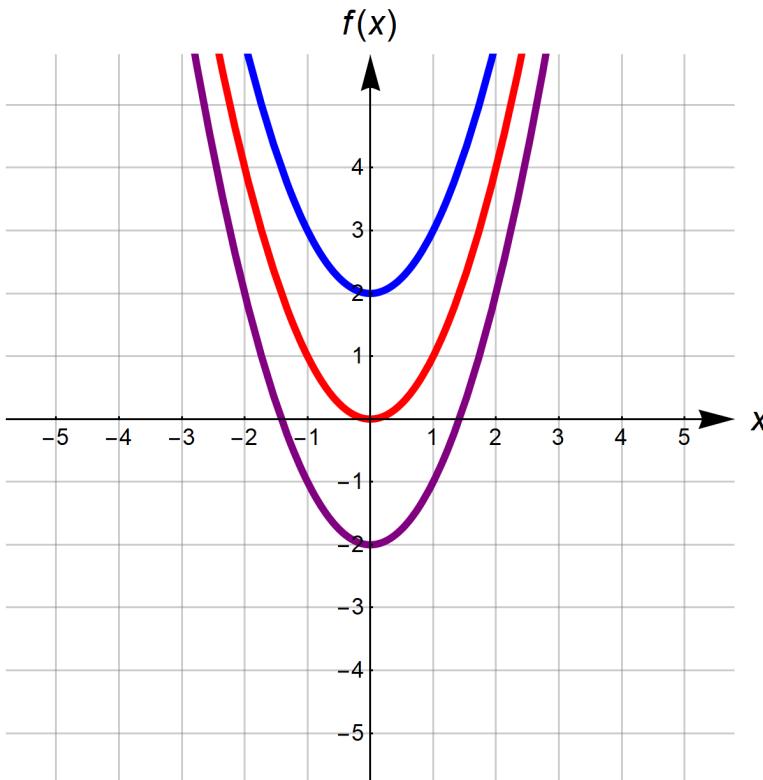
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$$x_{1,2} = -\frac{p}{2} \pm \sqrt{\frac{p^2}{4} - q}$$



$$\frac{p^2}{4} - q < 0 \quad \text{No solution}$$

$$\frac{p^2}{4} - q = 0 \quad \text{One degenerate solution}$$

$$\frac{p^2}{4} - q > 0 \quad \text{Two solutions}$$

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polynomials

# Factorization of polynomials

Find the roots of

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$$0 = x^2 + px + q$$

$$x_{1,2} = -\frac{p}{2} \pm \sqrt{\frac{p^2}{4} - q}$$

Exactly solvable

$$f(x) = (x - x_1)(x - x_2)$$

$$f(x) = \left( x + \frac{p}{2} - \sqrt{\frac{p^2}{4} - q} \right) \left( x + \frac{p}{2} + \sqrt{\frac{p^2}{4} - q} \right)$$

$$f(x) = \left( x + \frac{p}{2} \right)^2 - \sqrt{\frac{p^2}{4} - q}^2$$

$$f(x) = \left( x^2 + px + \frac{p^2}{4} \right) - \left( \frac{p^2}{4} - q \right)$$

How can this work? Even if  $\frac{p^2}{4} - q < 0$   
**(No solution  $x_1, x_2$ )**

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$$f(x) = (x - x_1)(x - x_2)$$

$$f(x) = \left(x + \frac{p}{2}\right)^2 - \sqrt{\frac{p^2}{4} - q}^2$$

Trick: We only need the square  
(which is a negative number)

How can this work? Even if  $\frac{p^2}{4} - q < 0$   
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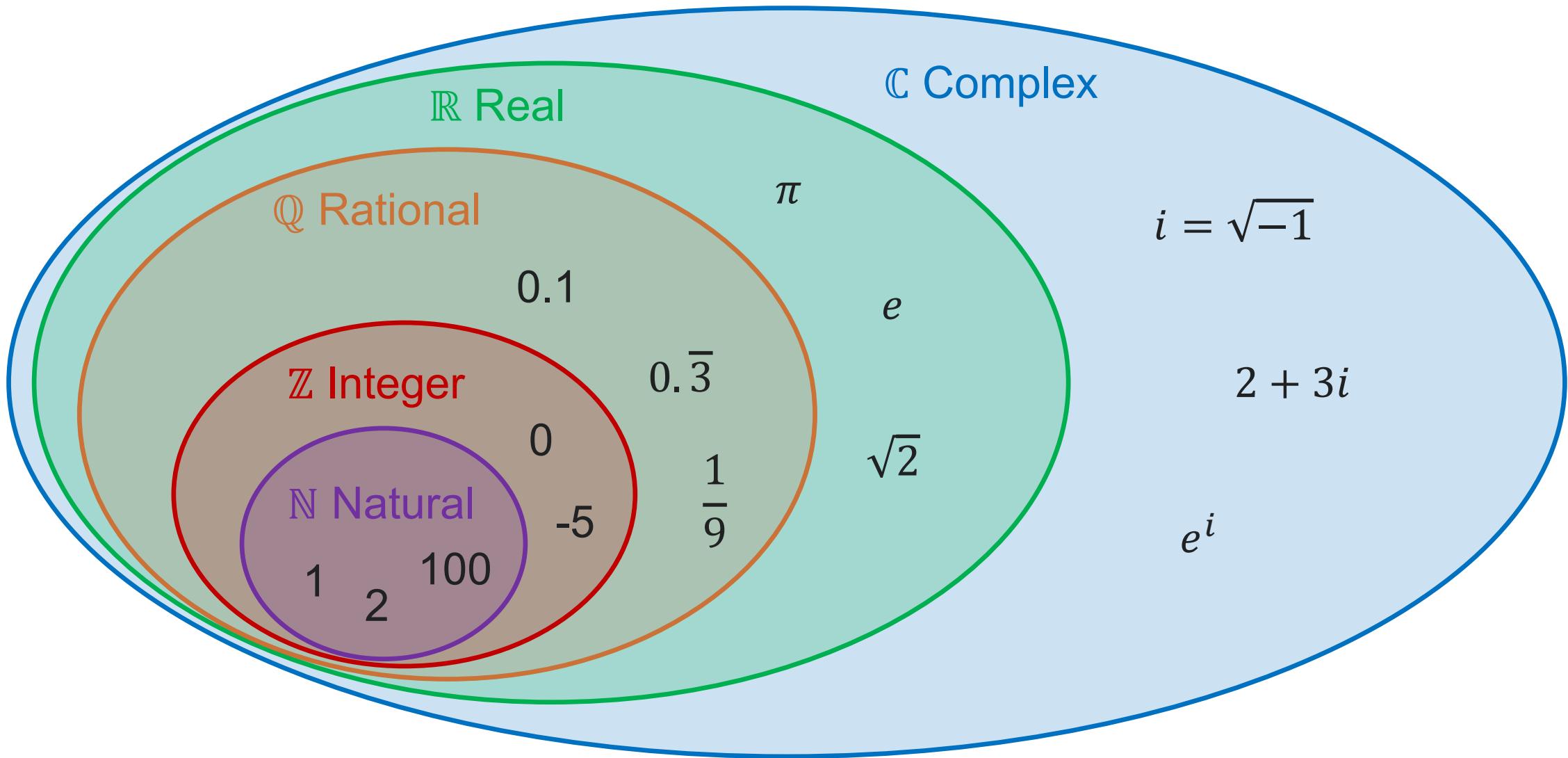
Introduction of a new type of number: Complex numbers  $\mathbb{C}$

$$z = a + ib$$

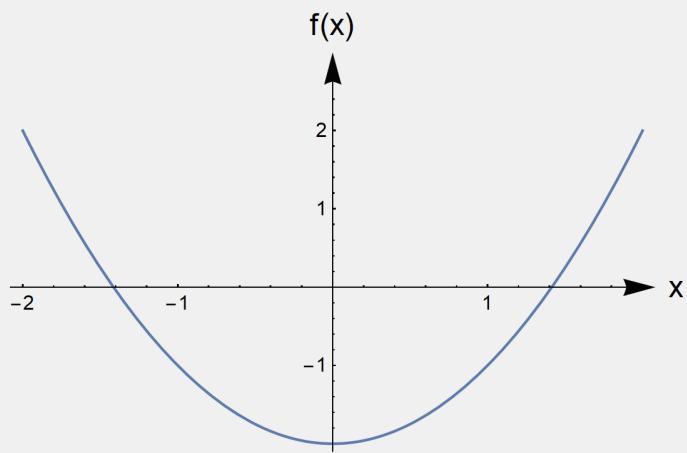
$$i^2 = -1$$

$$\sqrt{-1} = i$$

# Outlook: Complex numbers



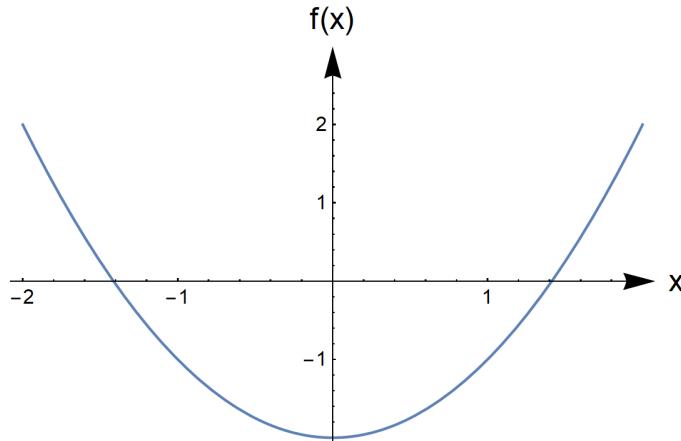
# Quadratic functions



Real

$$y = x^2 - c$$

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$$0 = x_0^2 - c$$

$$x_0^2 = c$$

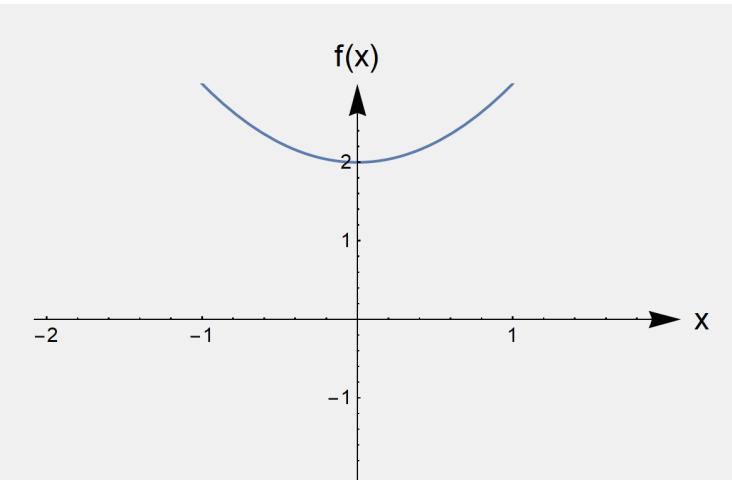
$$x_0 = \pm\sqrt{c}$$

$$y = x^2 - 2$$

$$0 = x_0^2 - 2$$

$$x_0^2 = 2$$

$$x_0 = \pm\sqrt{2}$$

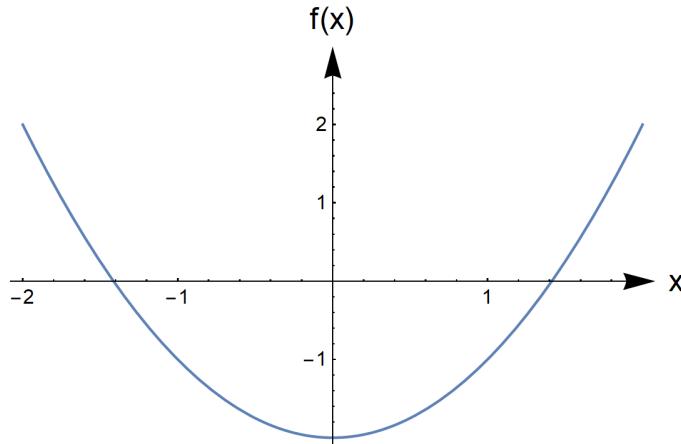


Imaginary

$$i = \sqrt{-1}$$

$$y = x^2 + c$$

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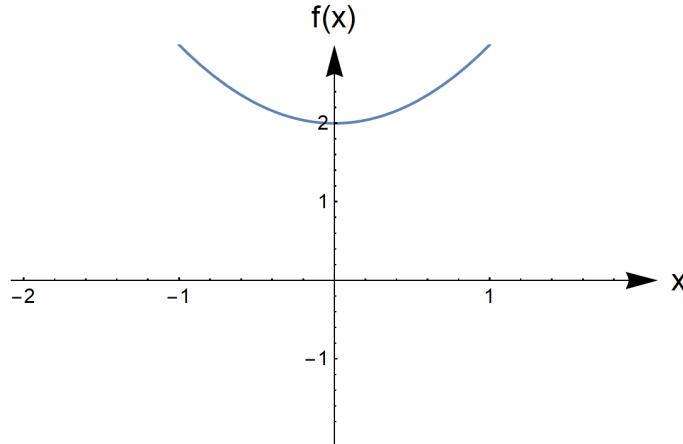
$$x_0 = \pm\sqrt{c}$$

$$y = x^2 - 2$$

$$0 = x_0^2 - 2$$

$$x_0^2 = 2$$

$$x_0 = \pm\sqrt{2}$$



Imaginary

$$i = \sqrt{-1}$$

$$y = x^2 + c$$

$$0 = x_0^2 + c$$

$$x_0^2 = -c$$

$$x_0 = \pm\sqrt{-c}$$

$$x_0 = \pm\sqrt{c} \cdot \sqrt{-1}$$

$$x_0 = \pm\sqrt{c} i$$

$$y = x^2 + 2$$

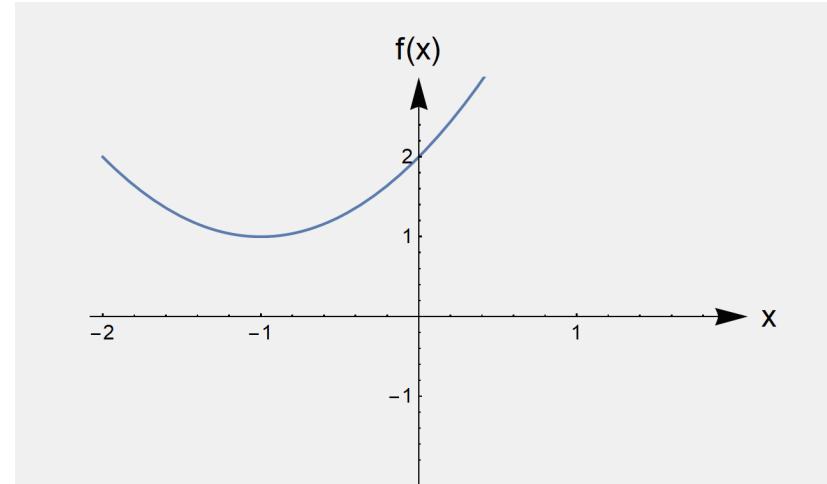
$$0 = x_0^2 + 2$$

$$x_0^2 = -2$$

$$x_0 = \pm\sqrt{-2}$$

$$x_0 = \pm\sqrt{2} \cdot \sqrt{-1}$$

$$x_0 = \pm\sqrt{2} i$$



Complex

$$y = x^2 + bx + c$$

# Quadratic functions

## Factorization

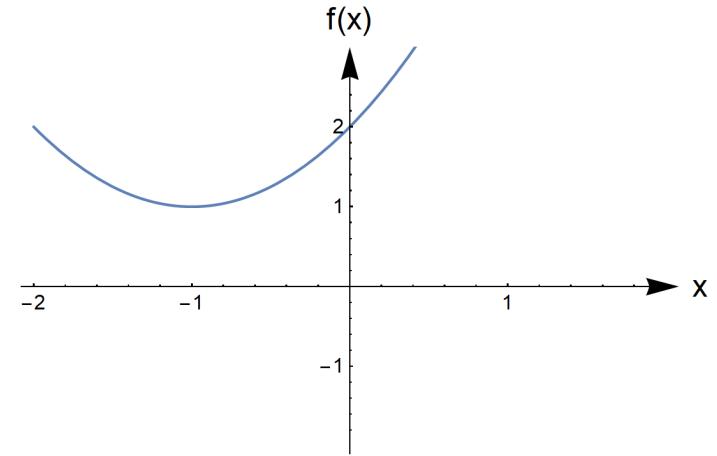
$$[x - (-1 + i)] [x - (-1 - i)]$$

$$= [x + (1 - i)] [x + (1 + i)]$$

$$= x^2 + x(1 + i) + x(1 - i) + (1 - i)(1 + i)$$

$$= x^2 + 2x + 1 - i^2$$

$$= x^2 + 2x + 2$$



Complex

$$y = x^2 + bx + c$$

$$0 = x_0^2 + bx + c$$

$$x_0 = -\frac{b}{2} \pm \sqrt{\frac{b^2}{4} - c}$$

$$x_0 = -\frac{b}{2} \pm \sqrt{-1} \cdot \sqrt{c - \frac{b^2}{4}}$$

$$x_0 = -\frac{b}{2} \pm \sqrt{c - \frac{b^2}{4}} i$$

$$y = x^2 + 2x + 2$$

$$0 = x_0^2 + 2x + 2$$

$$x_0 = -1 \pm \sqrt{1 - 2}$$

$$x_0 = -1 \pm \sqrt{-1} \cdot \sqrt{2 - 1}$$

$$x_0 = -1 \pm i$$

# Quadratic functions

## Factorization

quadratic

$$f(x) = A(x - x_1)(x - x_2)$$

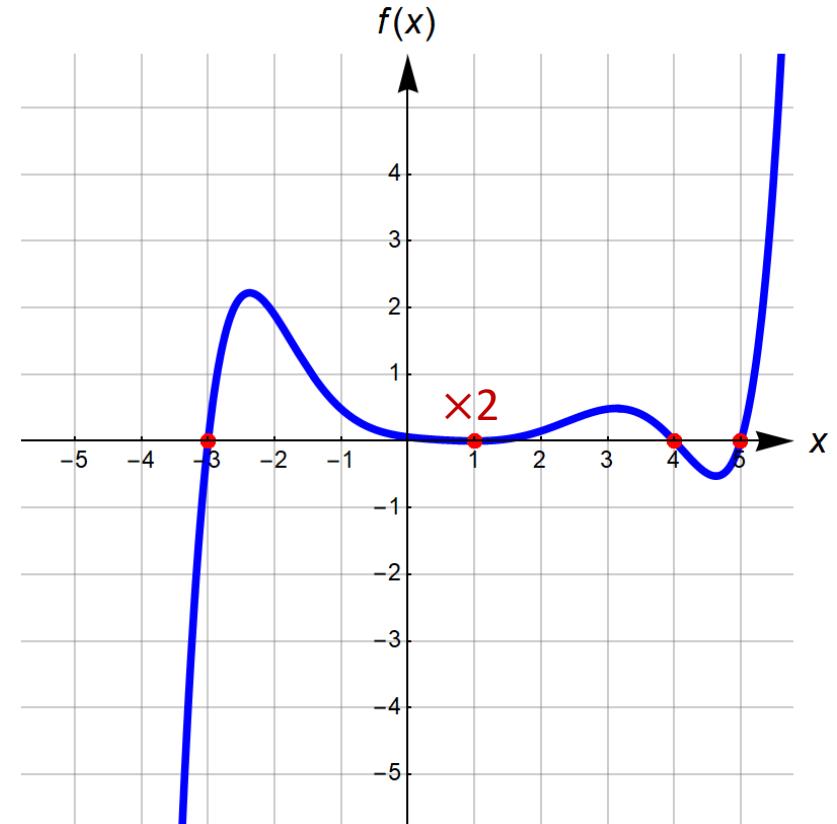
*n*th order

$$f(x) = A(x - x_1)(x - x_2) \dots (x - x_n)$$

*n* (complex) roots  $x_i$

Take-home message  $\sqrt{-1}$  exists

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \frac{1}{1000}(x - 5)(x - 4)(x - 1)(x - 1)(x + 3)(x + i)(x - i) \\ &= \frac{1}{1000} (x^7 - 8x^6 + 7x^5 + 60x^4 - 121x^3 + 128x^2 - 127x + 60) \end{aligned}$$



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# Exponential function

## Motivation

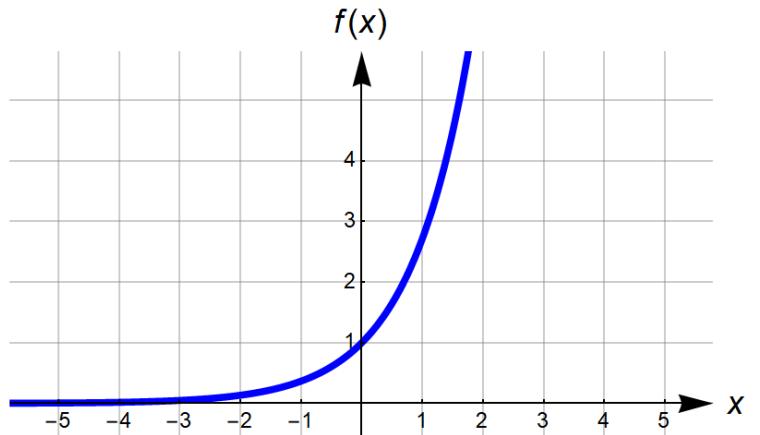
(strictly) linear function  $f(x) = mx$

$$f(ax) = af(x)$$

$$f(x+y) = f(x) + f(y)$$

$$f(ax) = m(ax) = amx = af(x)$$

$$f(x+y) = m(x+y) = mx + my = f(x) + f(y)$$



exponential function  $f(x) = e^x$

$$f(x+y) = f(x)f(y)$$

$$f(x+y) = e^{x+y} = e^x e^y = f(x)f(y)$$

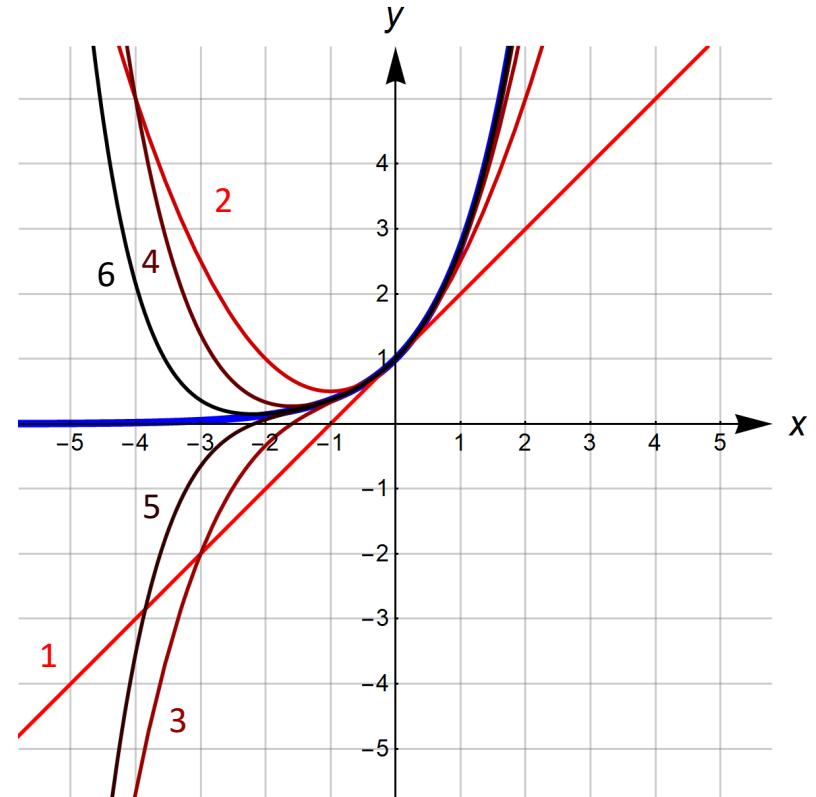
# Exponential function

**Motivation** exponential function  $f(x) = e^x$   $f(x+y) = f(x)f(y)$

$$e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} x^n = 1 + x + \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{6}x^3 + \frac{1}{24}x^4 + \dots$$

$$e^y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} y^n = 1 + y + \frac{1}{2}y^2 + \frac{1}{6}y^3 + \frac{1}{24}y^4 + \dots$$

$$\begin{aligned} e^{x+y} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} (x+y)^n \\ &= 1 + x + y + \frac{1}{2}(x+y)^2 + \frac{1}{6}(x+y)^3 + \frac{1}{24}(x+y)^4 + \dots \\ &= 1 + x + y + \frac{1}{2}x^2 + xy + \frac{1}{2}y^2 + \frac{1}{6}x^3 + \frac{1}{2}x^2y + \frac{1}{2}xy^2 + \frac{1}{6}y^3 \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{24}x^4 + \frac{1}{6}x^3y + \frac{1}{4}x^2y^2 + \frac{1}{6}xy^3 + \frac{1}{24}y^4 + \dots \end{aligned}$$



# Exponential function

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$$\begin{aligned} e^{x+y} &= 1 + x + y + \frac{1}{2}x^2 + xy + \frac{1}{2}y^2 + \frac{1}{6}x^3 + \frac{1}{2}x^2y + \frac{1}{2}xy^2 + \frac{1}{6}x^3 \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{24}x^4 + \frac{1}{6}x^3y + \frac{1}{4}x^2y^2 + \frac{1}{6}xy^3 + \frac{1}{24}y^4 \dots \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} e^x e^y &= \left( 1 + x + \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{6}x^3 + \frac{1}{24}x^4 + \dots \right) \left( 1 + y + \frac{1}{2}y^2 + \frac{1}{6}y^3 + \frac{1}{24}y^4 + \dots \right) \\ &= 1 + x + y + \frac{1}{2}x^2 + xy + \frac{1}{2}y^2 + \frac{1}{6}x^3 + \frac{1}{2}x^2y + \frac{1}{2}xy^2 + \frac{1}{6}y^3 \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{24}x^4 + \frac{1}{6}x^3y + \frac{1}{4}x^2y^2 + \frac{1}{6}xy^3 + \frac{1}{24}y^4 + \dots \end{aligned}$$

# Derivative of the exponential function

**Derivative**    exponential function     $f(x) = e^x$

$$e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} x^n = 1 + x + \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{6}x^3 + \frac{1}{24}x^4 + \dots$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \frac{d}{dx} x^n = 0 + 1 + x + \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{6}x^3 + \dots$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} e^x = e^x$$

$$f'(x) = f(x)$$

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# Cartesian coordinates

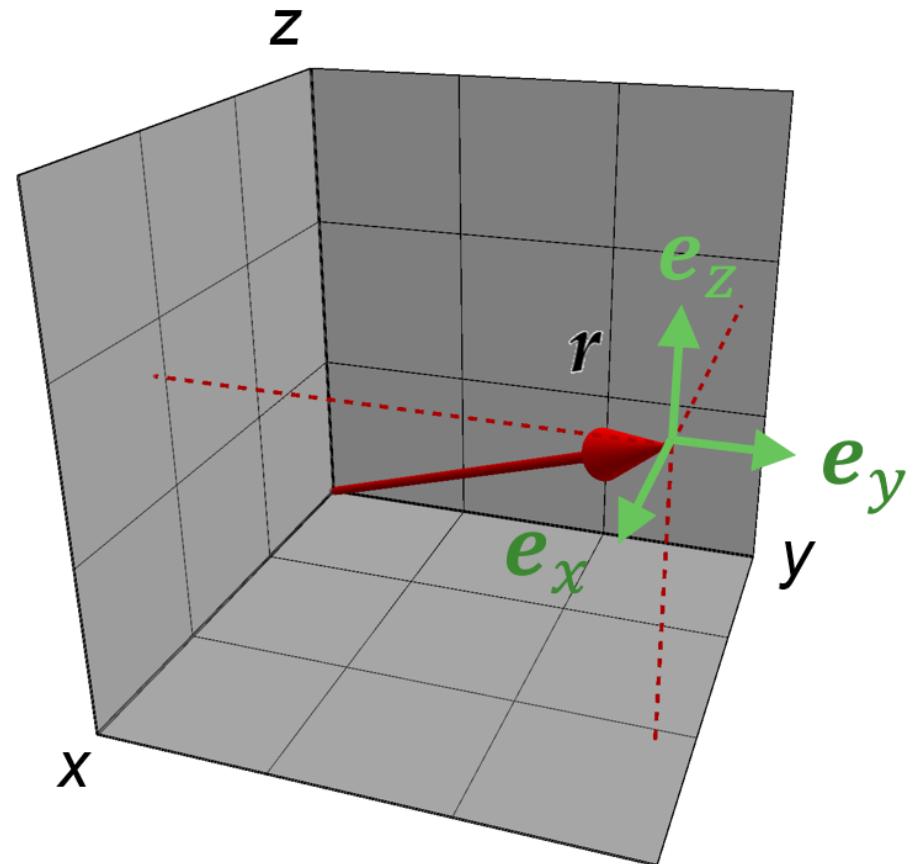
- Position vector
- Unit vectors

$$\mathbf{e}_x = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{e}_y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{e}_z = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{r} = x\mathbf{e}_x + y\mathbf{e}_y + z\mathbf{e}_z = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}$$



# Polar coordinates

- Position vector
- Unit vectors

$$\mathbf{e}_r = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \varphi \\ \sin \varphi \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{e}_\varphi = \begin{pmatrix} -\sin \varphi \\ \cos \varphi \end{pmatrix}$$

... perpendicular

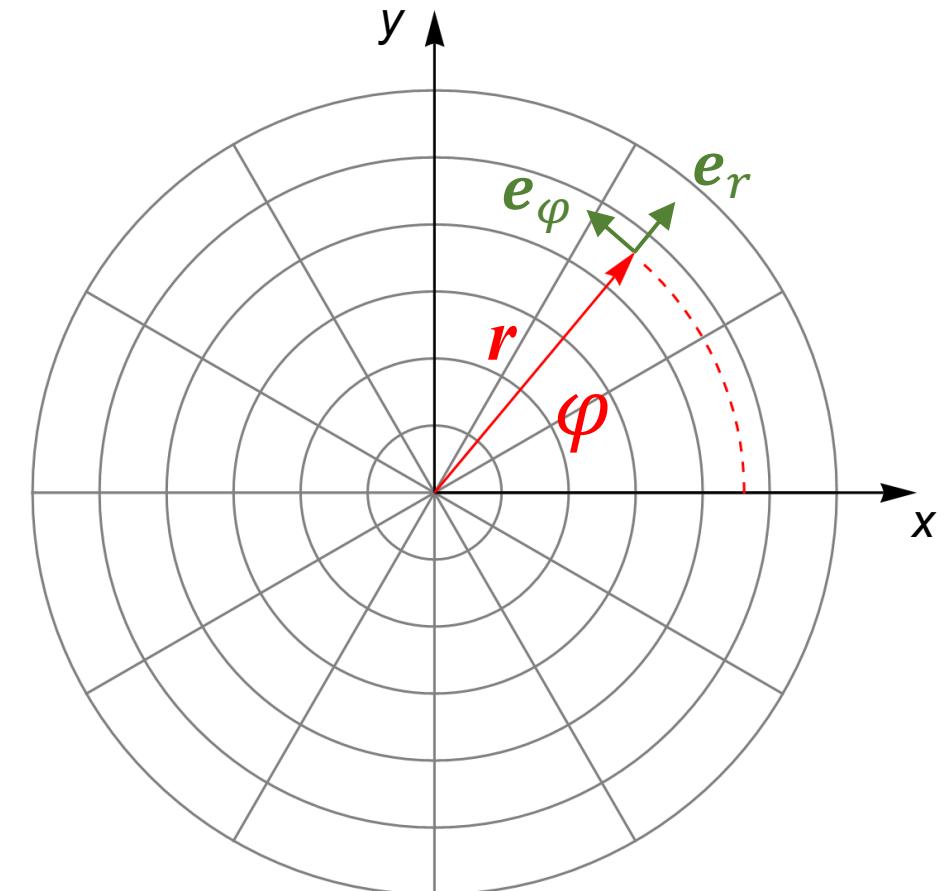
- Transformation

$$x = r \cos \varphi$$

$$r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$y = r \sin \varphi$$

$$\varphi = \text{atan2} \frac{y}{x} = \arctan \frac{y}{x} (+\pi)$$



# Cartesian vs. polar coordinates

## Rotational motion

$$x(t) = r_0 \cos(\omega t)$$

$$y(t) = r_0 \sin(\omega t)$$

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = r_0 \cos(\omega t) \mathbf{e}_x + r_0 \sin(\omega t) \mathbf{e}_y$$

$$= r_0 \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\omega t) \\ \sin(\omega t) \end{pmatrix}$$

- Calculate velocity

$$\mathbf{v} = \frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{r} = -r_0 \omega \sin(\omega t) \mathbf{e}_x + r_0 \omega \cos(\omega t) \mathbf{e}_y$$

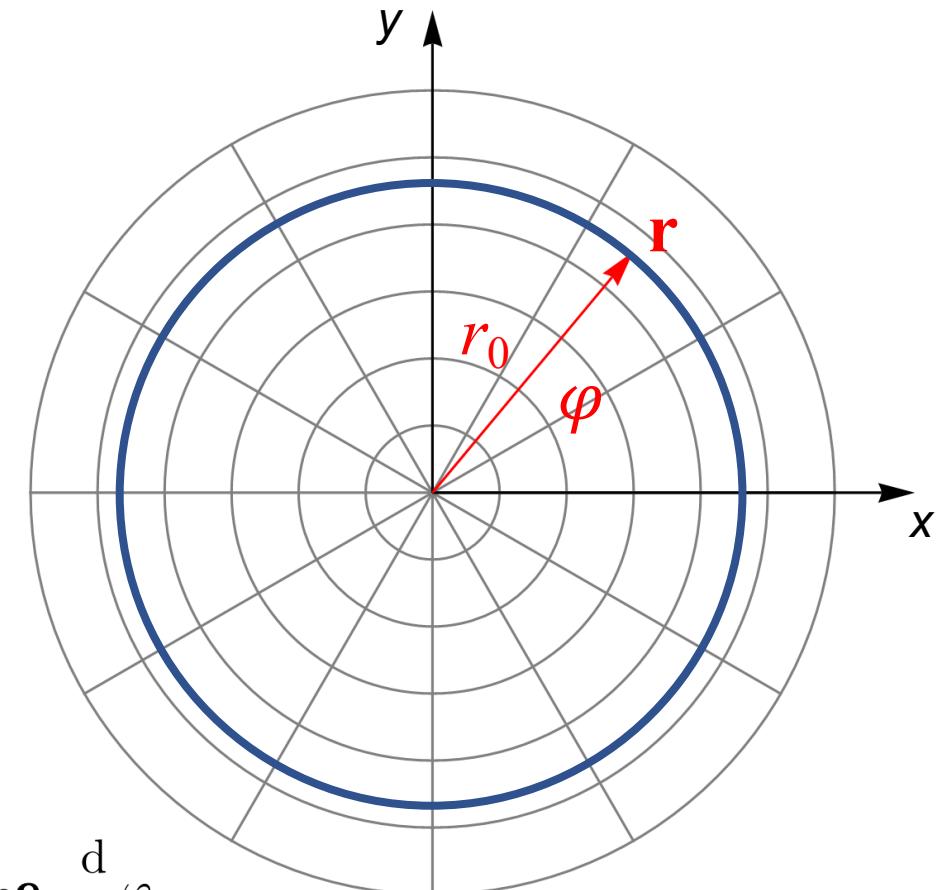
$$= r_0 \omega \begin{pmatrix} -\sin(\omega t) \\ \cos(\omega t) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$r = r_0$$

$$\varphi(t) = \omega t$$

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = r_0 \mathbf{e}_r(t)$$

only 1 variable  
only 1 unit vector  
(but time dependent)



$$\mathbf{v} = \frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{r} = r_0 \frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{e}_r = r_0 \mathbf{e}_\varphi \frac{d}{dt} \varphi$$

$$= r_0 \omega \mathbf{e}_\varphi$$

Take-home message

Vector is more than  $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}$

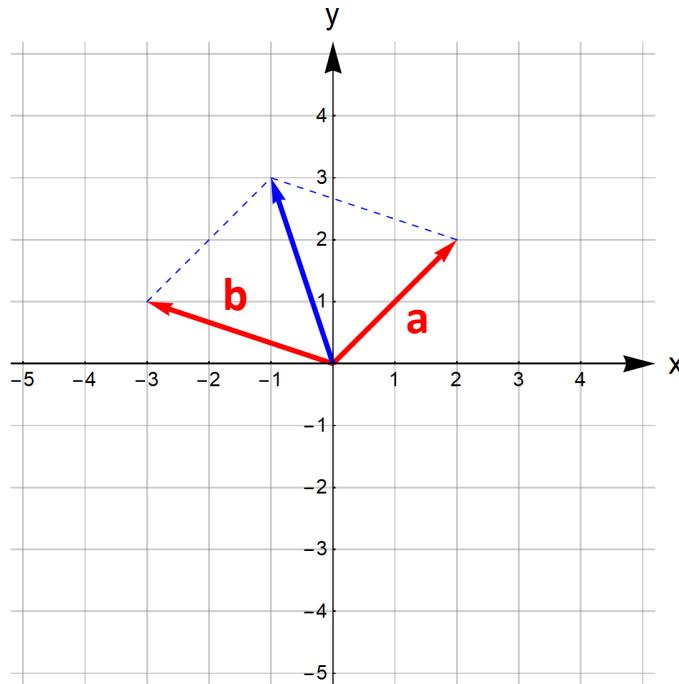
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Vector operations

# Typical vector operations

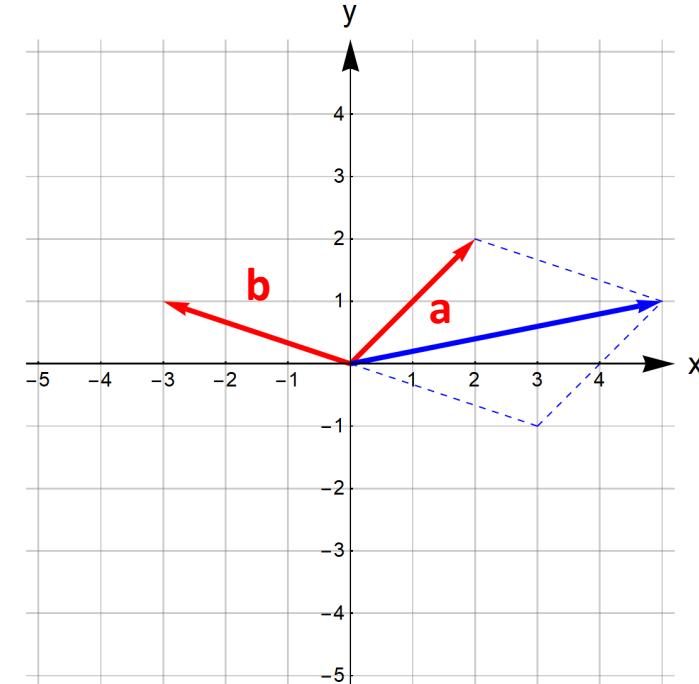
$$\mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Addition



$$\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Subtraction

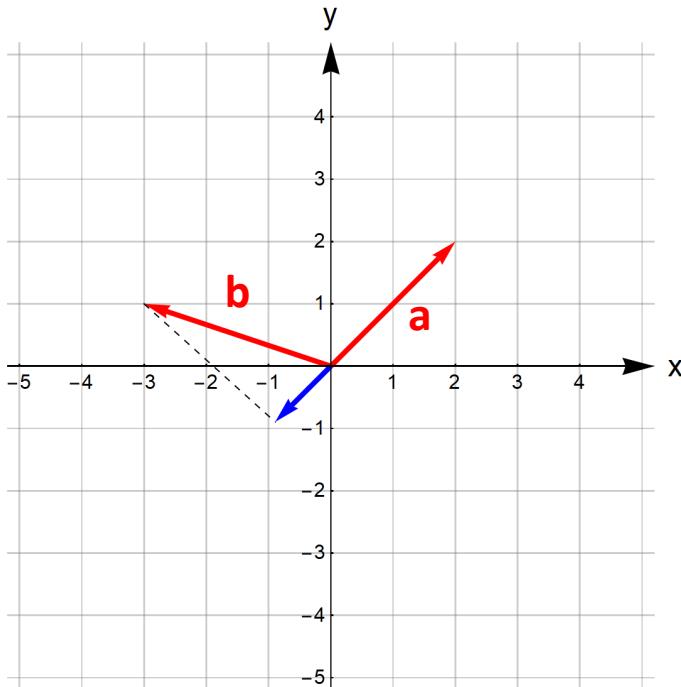


$$\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

# Typical vector operations

$$\mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Project

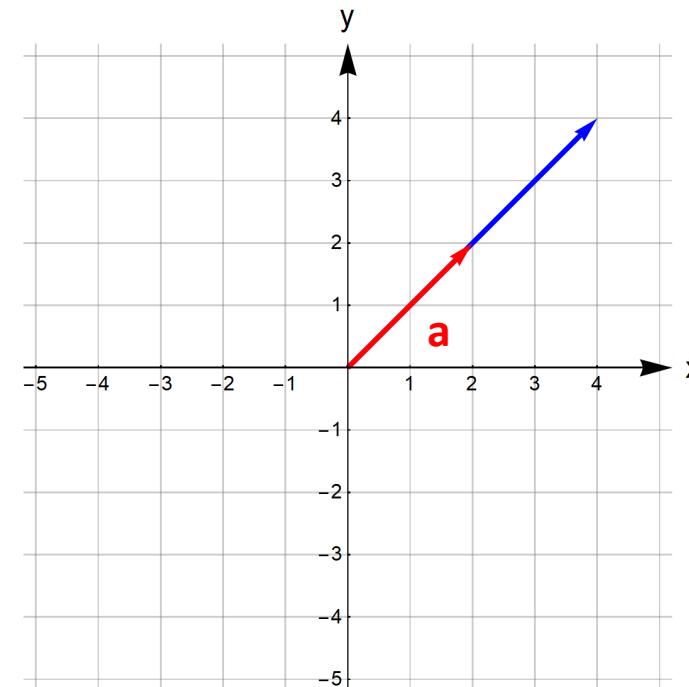


$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = 2 \cdot (-3) + 2 \cdot 1 = -4$$

$$|\mathbf{a}| = \sqrt{2^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{8}$$

$$\mathbf{a} \frac{\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}}{|\mathbf{a}|^2} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Scale



$$2\mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

# Typical vector operations

$$\mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Rotation

$$R_{\alpha} \mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\alpha) & -\sin(\alpha) \\ \sin(\alpha) & \cos(\alpha) \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}$$

for  $\alpha = -90^\circ$  :  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$

for  $\alpha = -135^\circ$  :  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -\sqrt{8} \end{pmatrix}$

