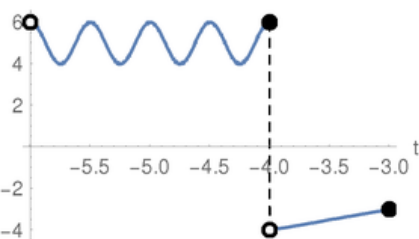


Piecewise Functions

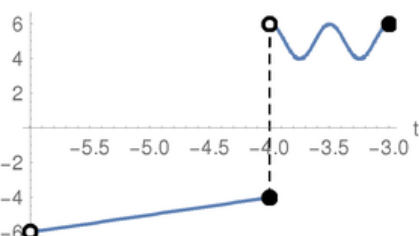
To define piecewise means that the function values and graphs are defined over a particular and generally limited section of the t-axis

$$\begin{cases} \cos(4\pi t) + 5 & -6 < t \leq -4 \\ t & -4 < t \leq -3 \end{cases}$$



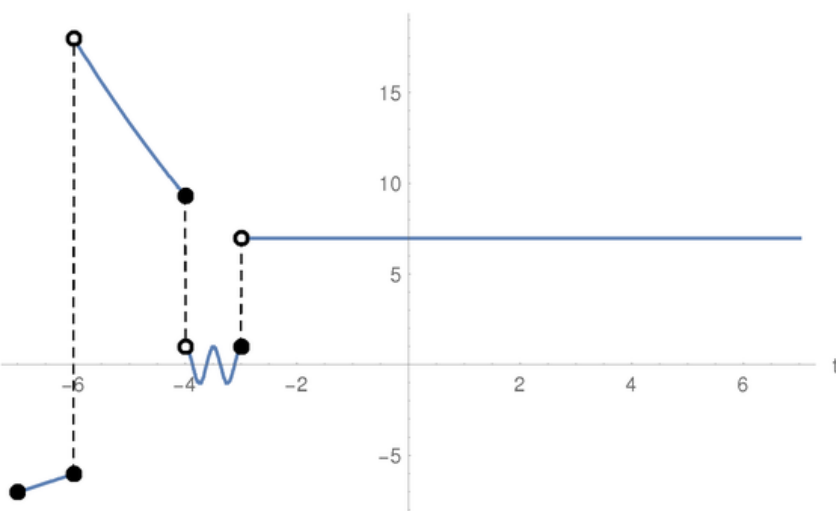
where two functions are glued together, and for that matter could be pieced differently i.e. swapped:

$$\begin{cases} t & -6 < t \leq -4 \\ \cos(4\pi t) + 5 & -4 < t \leq -3 \end{cases}$$



More and more complicated functions could be glued together:

$$\begin{cases} t & -7 \leq t \leq -6 \\ \frac{t^2}{3} - t & -6 < t \leq -4 \\ \cos(4\pi t) & -4 < t \leq -3 \\ 7 & t > -3 \end{cases}$$



Solid disk refers to inclusion of the point or any of $\leq \geq =$ operators



Hollow disk refers to the exclusion or any of the $< >$ operators

