Piecewise Functions

 $[2\sin(2\pi b) + 5 \ 1 \le b < 3]$

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 $\left[\begin{array}{c} \frac{b^2}{3} - b \end{array}\right.$

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

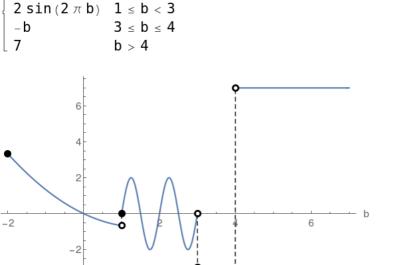
 $1 \le b < 3$

 $-2 \, \leq \, b \, < \, 1$

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

 $2 \sin(2 \pi b) + 5 3 \le b \le 4$

More and more complicated functions could be glued together:



Solid disk refers to inclusion of the point or any of $\leqslant \geqslant =$ operators

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