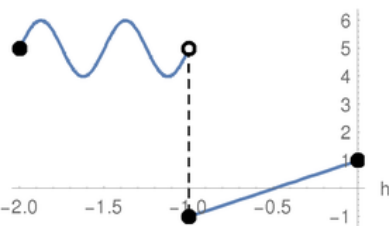


# Piecewise Functions

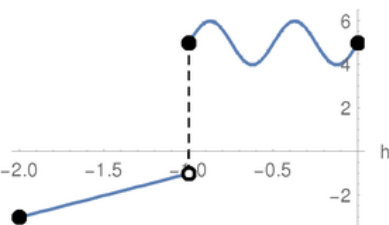
To define piecewise means that the function values and graphs are defined over a particular and generally limited section of the h-axis

$$\begin{cases} \sin(4\pi h) + 5 & -2 \leq h < -1 \\ 2h + 1 & -1 \leq h \leq 0 \end{cases}$$



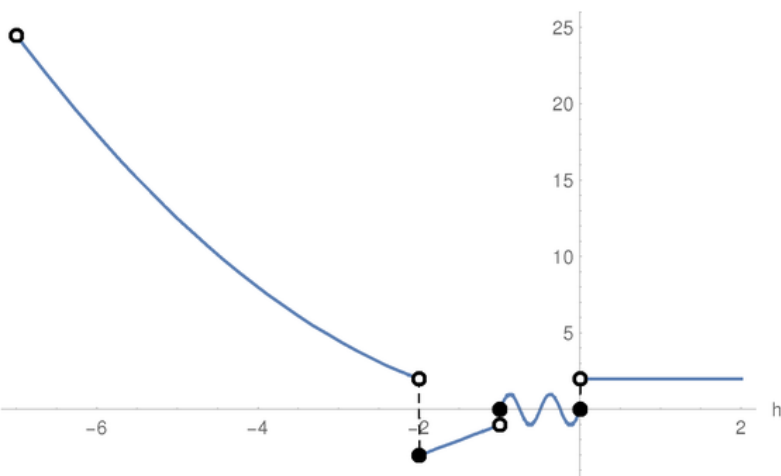
where two functions are juxtaposed together, and for that matter could be pieced differently i.e. swapped:

$$\begin{cases} 2h + 1 & -2 \leq h < -1 \\ \sin(4\pi h) + 5 & -1 \leq h \leq 0 \end{cases}$$



More and more complicated functions could be juxtaposed together:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{h^2}{2} & -7 < h < -2 \\ 2h + 1 & -2 \leq h < -1 \\ \sin(4\pi h) & -1 \leq h \leq 0 \\ 2 & h > 0 \end{cases}$$



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



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

