

Week 9 Graph Sketching & Kinematics Lecture Note

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Essential Question:

What is a function and what are its applications to kinematics (simple motion)?

Questions/Cues:

- What is the definition of a function?
- What are surjective, injective and bijective functions?
- What are Cartesian Coordinates?
- What is the Distance Formula used to find the distance between two points P and Q?

Notes

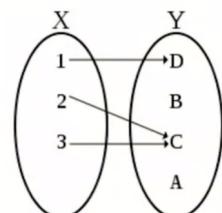
What is a function?

A function $f(x)$ links elements x, y of two sets X and Y

$f(x)$ tells you what to do with an input x :

ex. $f(x) = 2x + 4$ multiply by 2 and add 4

$$f(3) = 2 \times 3 + 4 = 10 \quad f(-1) = 2 \times (-1) + 4 = 2 \quad f(13) = 2 \times 13 + 4 = 143$$



Domain of a function: elements of X on which f is defined

ex. $-4 < x < 4$ or $(-4, 4)$: all values between -4 and 4 excluding -4, 4

$-4 \leq x \leq 4$ or $[-4, 4]$ includes -4, 4

$-4 < x \leq 4$ or $(-4, 4]$, includes 4 not -4

$-4 \leq x < 4 \cup 6 < x < 8$ or $[-4, 4) \cup (6, 8)$ etc...

Codomain of a function: elements of Y linked by f to X

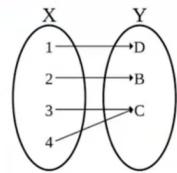
(codomain also called range or image)

- o the function $f(x) = 2x + 4$ maps a real number to a real number; the domain is the set of all real numbers
- o The domain and range can also be restricted and written in interval notation by inequalities or braces like above

What is a function?

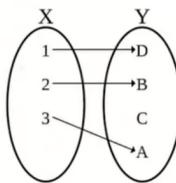
Surjective function: to each $y \in Y \rightarrow$ at least one $x \in X$

Domain X Codomain Y

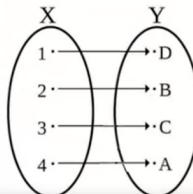


Injective function:

to each $x \in X \rightarrow$ only one distinct $y \in Y$



Bijective function: Injective+Surjective



- o A bijective function has one-to-one correspondence, it's a one-to-one function

Cartesian Coordinates

System of two perpendicular axes, x, y , to map and label points on the plane:

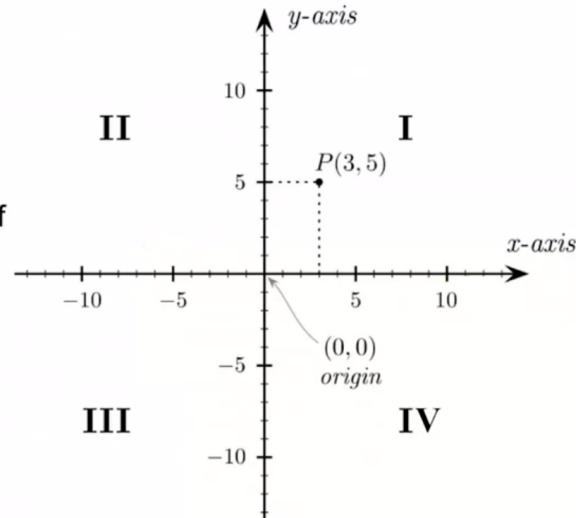
each point P is labeled by a pair of numbers (x, y)

x is the length of the projection of the point on the x -axis

and y is the length of the projection of the point on y -axis

Generic point on y -axis $P(0, y)$

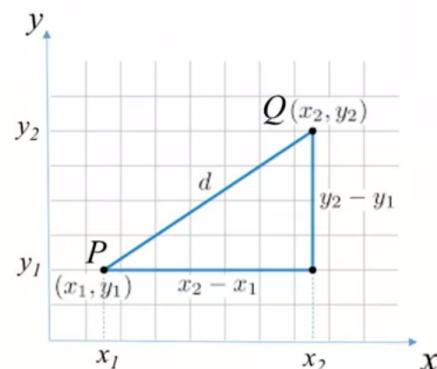
Generic point on x -axis $P(x, 0)$



Distance between P and Q :

Using Pythagoras theorem

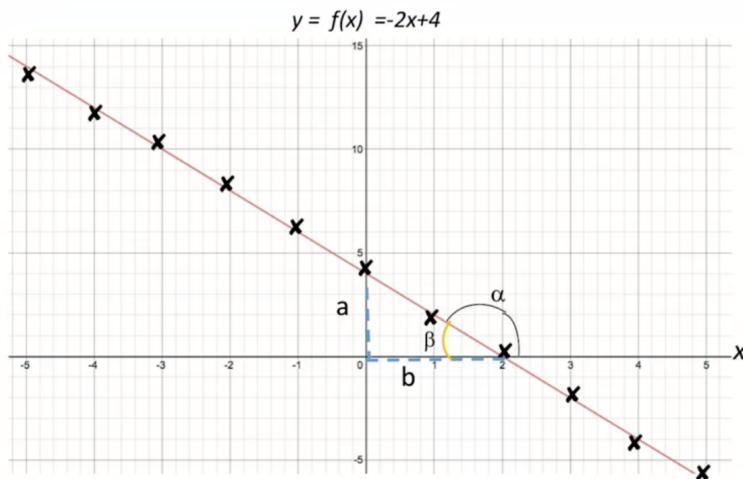
$$d_{PQ} = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}$$



Examples: $f(x) = -2x+4$ Domain R

x	-5	-4	-3	-2	-1	0
$f(x)$	$=-2(-5)+4=14$	$=12$	$=10$	$=8$	$=6$	$=4$
coordinates	(-5, 14)	(-4, 12)	(-3, 10)	(-2, 8)	(-1, 6)	(0, 4)

x	1	2	3	4	5
$f(x)$	$=-2(1)+4=2$	$=0$	$=-2$	$=-4$	
coordinates	(1, 2)	(2, 0)	(3, -2)	(4, -4)	



Note: $\beta=180-\alpha$
 $\tan(\beta)=a/b=4/2=2$

In general for a straight line
 $y=mx+n$

with $m=\tan(\alpha)$

In our case $n=4$
 $m=\tan(\alpha)=-\tan(\beta)=-2$

Intersection with y-axis $\rightarrow x=0 \rightarrow y_0=f(0)=-2(0)+4=4$

Intersection with x-axis $\rightarrow y=0 \rightarrow f(x_0)=0$

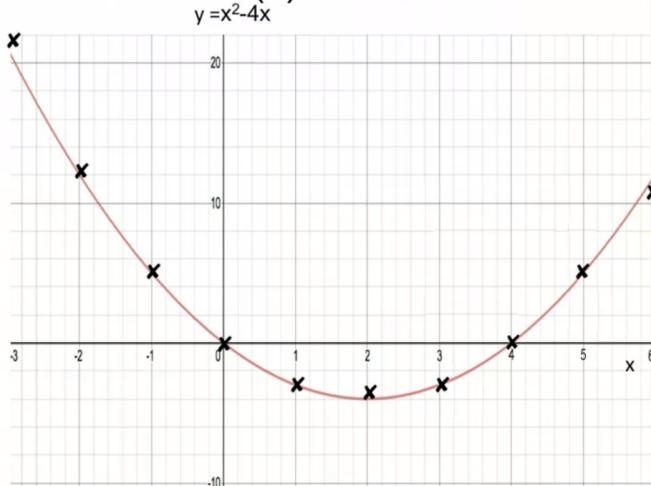
Solve $-2x_0+4=0 \rightarrow 2x_0=4 \rightarrow x_0=2$

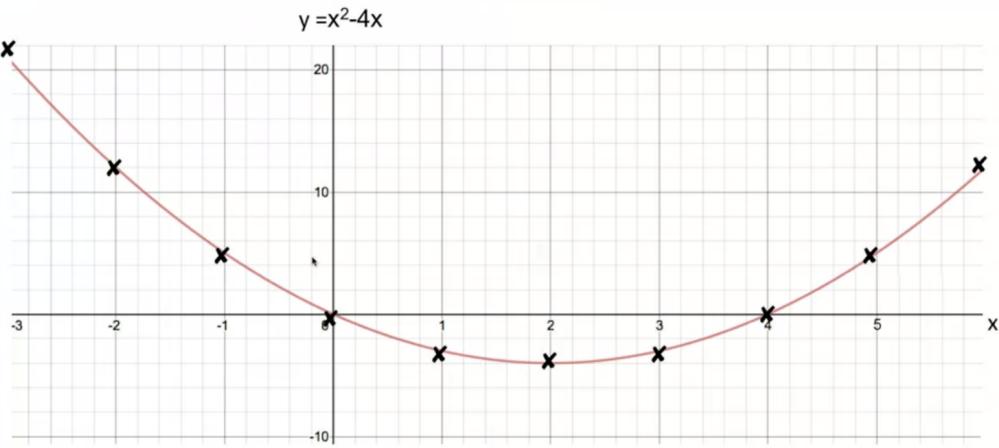
Examples: quadratic function $f(x) = x^2-4x$ D= R

x	-3	-2	-1
$f(x)$	$=(-3)^2+12=21$	$=12$	$=5$
coordinates	(-3, 21)	(-2, 12)	(-1, 5)

x	0	1	2
$f(x)$	$=0$	$=-3$	$=-4$
coordinates	(0, 0)	(1, -3)	(2, -4)

x	3	4	5	6
$f(x)$	$=(3)^2-12=-3$	$=0$	$=5$	$=12$
coordinates	(1, -3)	(4, 0)	(5, 5)	(6, 12)





Intersection with y-axis $\rightarrow x=0 \rightarrow y_0=f(0)=(0)^2-4(0)=0$

Intersection with x-axis $\rightarrow y=0 \rightarrow f(x_0)=x_0^2-4x_0=0$

Solve $x_0^2-4x_0=x_0(x_0-4)=0 \rightarrow x_0=0, x_0=4$

Generic quadratic function $f(x)=ax^2+bx+c$

Intersection with y-axis $\rightarrow x=0 \rightarrow y_0=f(0)=a(0)^2+b(0)+c=c$

Intersection with x-axis $\rightarrow y=0 \rightarrow f(x_0)=ax_0^2+bx_0+c=0$

Solve $ax_0^2+bx_0+c=0 \rightarrow x_0=(-b \pm \sqrt{b^2-4ac})/(2a)$

Cubic function $f(x)=ax^3+bx^2+cx+d$ Ex: x^3-4x D=R

x	-4	-3	-2	-1	0	1
f(x)	$=(-4)^3-4(-4)=-48$	$=(-3)^3-4(-3)=-15$	$=(-2)^3-4(-2)=0$	$=3$	$=0$	$=-3$
coordinates	(-4, -48)	(-3, -15)	(-2, 0)	(-1, 3)	(0, 0)	(1, -3)

x	2	3	4
f(x)	$=(2)^3-4(2)=0$	$=(3)^3-4(3)=15$	$=48$
coordinates	(2, 0)	(3, 15)	(4, 48)

Intersection with y-axis $\rightarrow x=0$

$\rightarrow y_0=f(0)=(0)^3-4(0)=0$

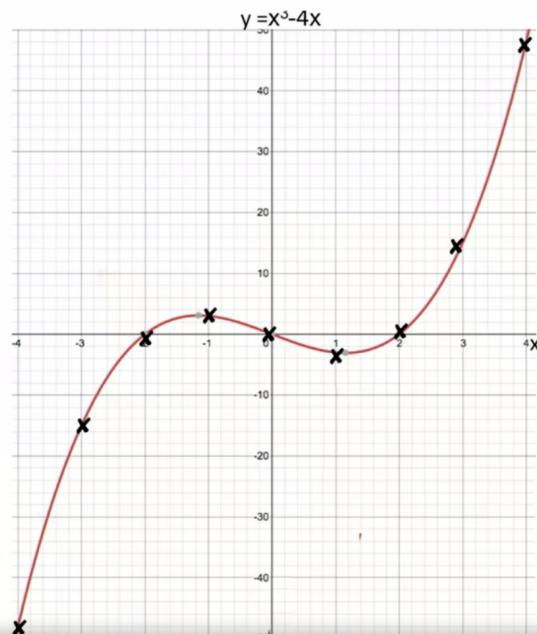
Intersection with x-axis $\rightarrow y=0$

$\rightarrow f(x_0)=x_0^3-4x_0=0$

Solve $x_0^3-4x_0=x_0(x_0^2-4)=0$

$\rightarrow x_0=0, x_0=\pm 2$

Note: a vertical line intersects the curve in only one point
 \rightarrow single-valued functions



In this week, we learned about what a function, surjective/injective functions, the Cartesian coordinate system and distance formula.