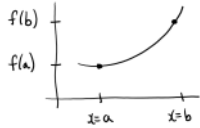


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3.3 Cont'd

Definition: Average rate of change of f from $x=a$ to $x=b$ is the slope of the line:



$$\text{Average rate of change} = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = \frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a} \quad \text{②}$$

Ex: Find average rate of change of $f(x) = 5x^2 + 2$ from $x=2$ to $x=4$

$$\frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a} = \frac{f(4)-f(2)}{4-2} = \frac{82-22}{2} = \frac{60}{2} = 30$$

Comment about Units:

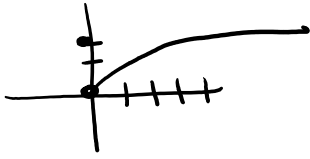
Say y : $^{\circ}\text{C}$
 x : minutes

average rate of change: $^{\circ}\text{C}/\text{min}$

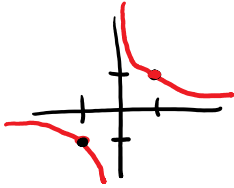
3.4 Library of Functions
Piecewise - Defined Functions

A function is continuous if it can be traced without lifting your pencil
(no holes or jumps)

Ex: $y = \sqrt{x}$ is continuous



Ex: $y = \frac{1}{x}$ is not continuous



Piecewise-Defined Functions

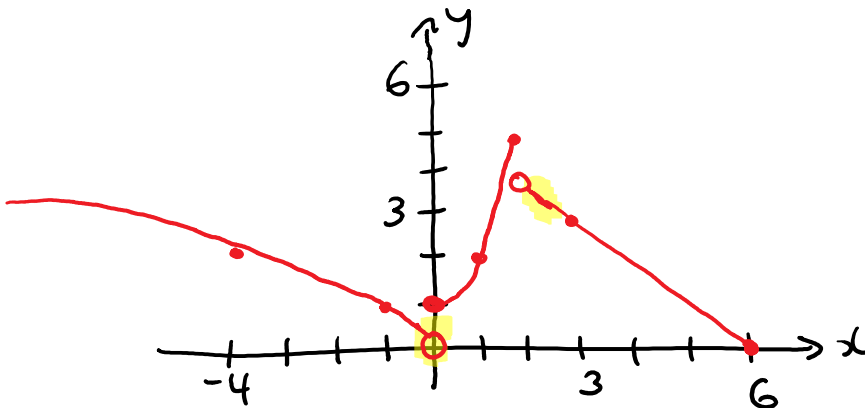
Ex: $f(x) = \begin{cases} \sqrt{-x}, & x < 0 \\ x^2 + 1, & 0 \leq x \leq 2 \\ 6 - x, & 2 < x \leq 6 \end{cases}$

a) Table of values

	x	y
$x < 0$ $y = \sqrt{-x}$	-4	$\sqrt{-(-4)} = 2$
	-1	$\sqrt{-(-1)} = 1$
$0 \leq x \leq 2$ $y = x^2 + 1$	0	1
	1	2
	2	5
$2 < x \leq 6$ $y = 6 - x$	2	4
	3	3
	6	0

open circle

b) Graph it



c) Is $f(x)$ continuous?

No

d) Domain of $f(x)$?

(set of x -values)

$$-\infty < x \leq 6$$

e) Range of $f(x)$?

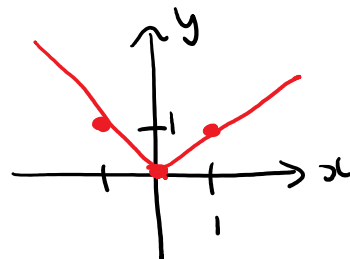
(set of y -values)

$$y \geq 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$0 \leq y < \infty \quad \checkmark$$

Ex: Graph $y = |x|$

x	y
-1	$ -1 = 1$
0	$ 0 = 0$
1	$ 1 = 1$



Note: $y = |x|$ is a piecewise-defined function
(and continuous!)

$$|x| = \begin{cases} -x & , x < 0 \\ x & , x \geq 0 \end{cases}$$