

### 0.1 Inequalities

**Ex:** Solve for  $x$  the inequality  $2x - 3 < 7$

$$2x < 10$$

$$x < 5$$



$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{the set of sol.} &= \{x : x \in \mathbb{R}, x < 5\} \\ &= (-\infty, 5) \end{aligned}$$

**Ex:** Solve for  $x$   $3 + 7x \leq 2x - 9$

$$7x - 2x \leq -9 - 3$$

$$5x \leq -12$$

$$x \leq -\frac{12}{5}$$

$$\therefore \text{the set of sol.} = \{x : x \in \mathbb{R}, x \leq -\frac{12}{5}\} = (-\infty, -\frac{12}{5}]$$

**Ex:** Solve for  $x$   $7 \leq 2 - 5x < 9$

$$5 \leq -5x < 7$$

$$-5 \geq 5x > -7$$

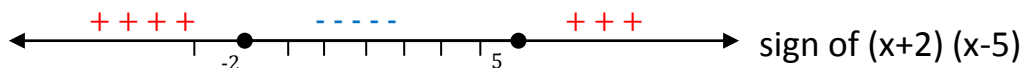
$$-1 \geq x > -\frac{7}{5}$$

$$\therefore \text{the set of sol.} = \{x : x \in \mathbb{R}, -\frac{7}{5} < x \leq -1\} = (-\frac{7}{5}, -1]$$

**Ex:** Solve for  $x$   $x^2 - 3x - 10 \geq 0$

$$(x+2)(x-5) \geq 0$$

equal to zero at  $x = -2$   $x = 5$



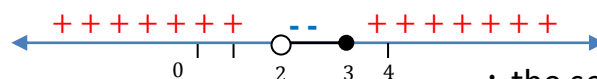
$$\therefore \text{set of sol.} = (-\infty, -2] \cup [5, \infty)$$

**Ex:** Solve for  $x$

$$\frac{2x-5}{x-2} \leq 1$$

$$\frac{2x-5}{x-2} - 1 \leq 0$$

$$\frac{(2x-5) - (x-2)}{(x-2)} \leq 0 \quad \longrightarrow \quad \frac{x-3}{x-2} \leq 0$$



$$\therefore \text{the set of sol.} = (2, 3]$$

**Ex: Solve for x the inequality  $x^3 - 3x + 2 \leq 0$**

$x = 1$  is a solution for the equation so  $(x-1)$  is a factor.

$$x^3 - 3x + 2 \leq 0$$

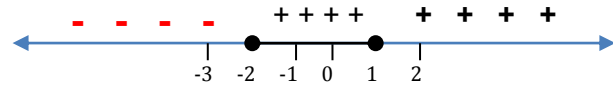
$$(x-1)(x^2 + x - 2) \leq 0$$

$$(x-1)(x-1)(x+2) \leq 0$$

equal to zero at  $x=1$  ,  $x=-2$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 + x - 2 \\ (x-1) \overline{) x^3 - 3x + 2} \\ \underline{\mp x^3 \pm x^2} \phantom{+ 2} \\ x^2 - 3x + 2 \\ \underline{\mp x^2 \pm x} \phantom{+ 2} \\ -2x + 2 \\ \underline{\pm 2x \mp 2} \\ 0 + 0 \end{array}$$

$\therefore$  the set of sol. =  $(-\infty, -2]$



**HW: Solve for x**

$$1) \frac{3x+1}{x-2} < 1$$

$$2) x^2 \leq 5$$

$$3) 2 - 3x + x^2 \geq 0$$

$$4) \frac{1}{x+1} \geq \frac{3}{x-2}$$

$$5) x^3 - x^2 - x - 2 > 0$$

### Absolute Value

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

$$1) |a| = \sqrt{a^2}$$

$$2) |a \cdot b| = |a| |b|$$

$$3) \left| \frac{a}{b} \right| = \frac{|a|}{|b|}$$

$$4) |a + b| \leq |a| + |b|$$

$$5) \text{ If } |x| \leq a \text{ then } -a \leq x \leq a$$

$$6) \text{ If } |x| \geq a \text{ either } x \geq a \text{ or } x \leq -a$$

**ex:** solve  $|x - 3| = 4$

either

$$(x-3) = 4$$

$$x = 7$$

$$x = 7$$

Or

$$-(x-3) = 4$$

$$-x = 1$$

$$x = -1$$

$\therefore$  set of sol. =  $\{-1, 7\}$

**Ex:** solve for x  $|x - 3| < 4$

$$-4 < x-3 < 4$$

$$-1 < x < 7$$

$\therefore$  set of sol. =  $\{x : -1 < x < 7\} = (-1, 7)$

**Ex:** solve for x

$$|x + 4| \geq 2$$

Either

$$x+4 \geq 2$$

$$x \geq -2$$

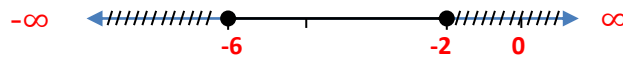
Or

$$x+4 \leq -2$$

$$x \leq -6$$

$\therefore$  set of sol. =  $\{x : x \geq -2\} \cup \{x : x \leq -6\}$

$$= (-\infty, -6] \cup [-2, \infty)$$



**Ex:** solve for x

$$\frac{2}{|x+3|} < 1$$

$$\frac{|x+3|}{2} > 1$$

$$|x + 3| > 2$$

Either

$$x+3 > 2$$

$$x > -1$$

Or

$$x+3 < -2$$

$$x < -5$$

$\therefore$  set of sol. =  $\{x : x < -5\} \cup \{x : x > -1\}$

$$= (-\infty, -5) \cup (-1, \infty)$$

**Ex:** solve for x

$$|x + 3| < |x - 8|$$

$$\sqrt{(x+3)^2} < \sqrt{(x-8)^2} \quad \text{using } |a| = \sqrt{a^2}$$

$$(x+3)^2 < (x-8)^2$$

$$x^2 + 6x + 9 < x^2 - 16x + 64$$

$$22x < 55$$

$$x < \frac{5}{2}$$

$\therefore$  set of sol. =  $(-\infty, \frac{5}{2})$

**HW:** solve for x

1)  $|3x| \leq |2x - 5|$

2)  $\left| \frac{3-2x}{1+x} \right| \leq 4$

3)  $\frac{1}{|x-3|} - \frac{1}{|x+4|} \geq 0$

4)  $\frac{1}{|x-4|} < \frac{1}{|x+7|}$

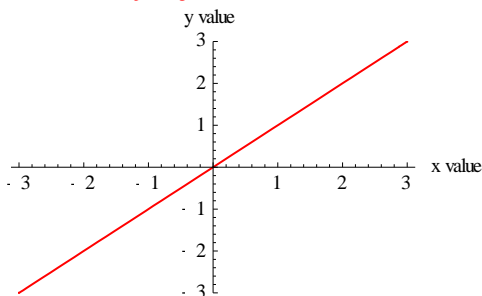
5) Solve  $|x - 3|^2 - 4|x - 3| = 12$

## 0.2 Function

**Def:** is a rule that assigns to each element in a set  $A$  (*domain*) one and only one element in a set  $B$  (*range*)

### Some important functions

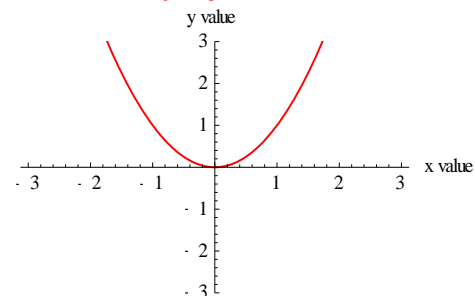
$$y = f(x) = x$$



$$D_f = \mathbb{R}$$

$$R_f = \mathbb{R}$$

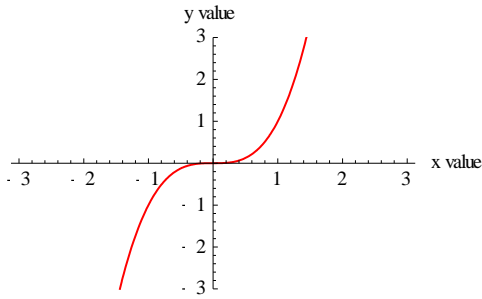
$$y = f(x) = x^2$$



$$D_f = \mathbb{R}$$

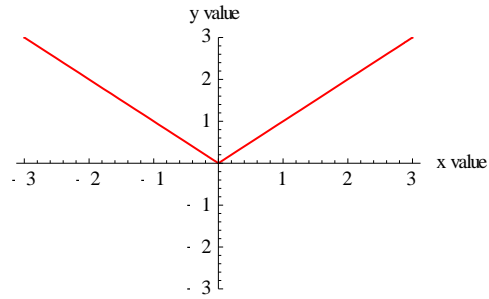
$$R_f = \{y : y \geq 0\} = [0, \infty)$$

$$y = f(x) = x^3$$



$$D_f = R_f = R$$

$$y = f(x) = |x|$$

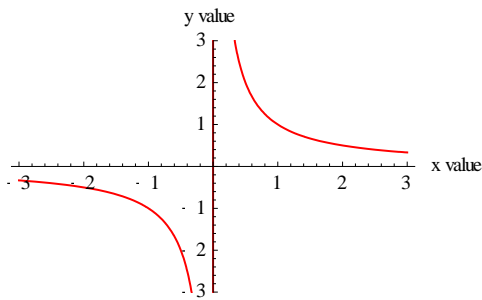


$$D_f = R$$

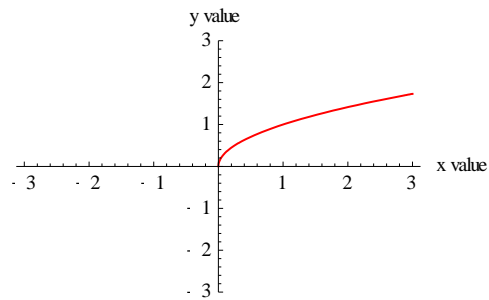
$$R_f = \{y : y \geq 0\}$$

$$y = f(x) = \sqrt{x}$$

$$y = f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$$



$$D_f = R_f = R \setminus \{0\}$$



$$D_f = \{x : x \in R, x \geq 0\}$$

$$R_f = \{y : y \in R, y \geq 0\}$$

**Note:** any polynomial of the following forms have the domain  $R$

$$\text{Ex: } \left. \begin{aligned} f(x) &= \frac{1}{2}x^3 + 3x^2 - x + \pi \\ f(x) &= 5x^2 - 2x - \sqrt{2} \\ f(x) &= \frac{3}{2}x^5 + x^3 - x + 1 \end{aligned} \right\} D_f = R$$

**ex :** Find the domain & range of  $f(x) = \sqrt{x-3}$

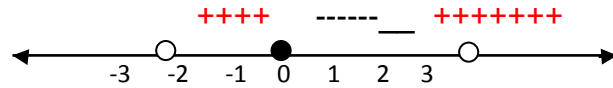
$$x-3 \geq 0$$

$$x \geq 3$$

$$\therefore D_f = \{x : x \in R, x \geq 3\} \quad , \quad R_f = \{y : y \in R, y \geq 0\}$$

*Ex: Find the domain of*  $f(x) = \sqrt{\frac{x+1}{x^2-9}}$

$$\frac{x+1}{x^2-9} \geq 0$$



$$D_f = (-3, -1] \cup (3, \infty)$$

*Ex : Find domain & range of*  $y = f(x) = \frac{x+1}{x-3}$

$$D_f = \mathbb{R} \setminus \{3\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y = \frac{x+1}{x-3} &\rightarrow x+1 = xy - 3y \\ x - xy &= -3y - 1 \\ x(1-y) &= -(3y+1) \\ x &= \frac{-(3y+1)}{1-y} \\ x &= \frac{3y+1}{y-1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore R_f = \mathbb{R} \setminus \{1\}$$

- 1)  $D_{f \pm g} = D_f \cap D_g$
- 2)  $D_{\frac{f}{g}} = D_f \cap D_g \setminus \{x : g(x) = 0\}$

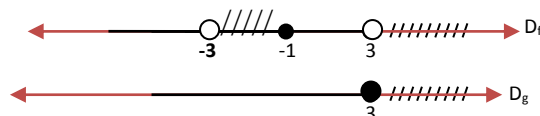
*Ex: find domain of the function.*

$$h(x) = \sqrt{\frac{x+1}{x^2-9}} + \sqrt{x-3}$$

$$D_f = (-3, -1] \cup (3, \infty)$$

$$D_g = [3, \infty)$$

$$\begin{aligned} D_h &= D_f \cap D_g \\ &= (3, \infty) \end{aligned}$$



*Ex: find domain of the function.*

$$h(x) = \sqrt{\frac{x+1}{x^2-9}} - \sqrt{x-3}$$

or 
$$h(x) = \sqrt{\frac{x+1}{x^2-9}} \cdot \sqrt{x-3}$$

$$D_h = (3, \infty)$$