

1. Find the domain of each of the following functions.

(a) $f(x) = \sqrt{7-x}$

SOLN: Domain = $\{x | 7-x \geq 0\} = (-\infty, 7]$

(b) $g(x) = \frac{x}{9-x^2}$ SOLN: Domain = $\{x | 9-x^2 \neq 0\} = (-\infty, -3) \cup (-3, 3) \cup (3, \infty)$

2. Compute and simplify the average rate of change of over the given interval. Hint: recall that the average rate of change is of $f(x) = x^2 + 2x + 3$ on the interval $[a, b]$ is the slope of the line connecting $(a, f(a))$ with $(b, f(b))$.

(a) $[a, b] = [0, h]$ SOLN: $\frac{f(h) - f(0)}{h} = \frac{h^2 + 2h + 3 - 3}{h} = h + 2$

(b) $[a, b] = [-h, h]$ SOLN: $\frac{f(h) - f(-h)}{h} = \frac{h^2 + 2h + 3 - (h^2 - 2h + 3)}{h} = 4$

3. Consider the quadratic function $f(x) = x^2 - 6x + 2$

(a) Express the quadratic function in standard (vertex) form:

$y = a(x-h)^2 + k$

SOLN: $f(x) = x^2 - 6x + (9-9) + 2 = x^2 - 6x + 9 - 7$

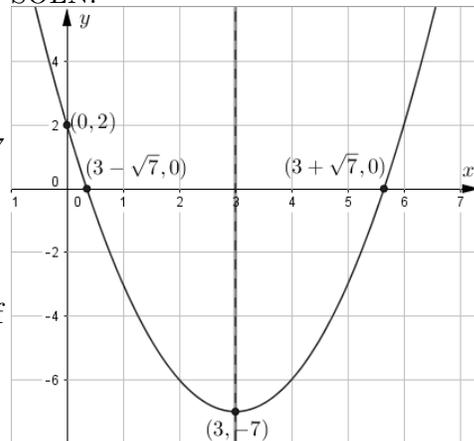
$= (x-3)^2 - 7$ so the vertex is at $(h, k) = (3, -7)$

(b) Find the coordinates of the x -intercepts of the parabola.

SOLN: $f(x) = 0 \Leftrightarrow (x-3)^2 = 7 \Leftrightarrow x = 3 \pm \sqrt{7}$

(c) Carefully construct a large graph, showing the coordinates of the vertex and all intercepts.

SOLN:



4. Find the range of the given function and express that in interval notation.

(a) $f(x) = 10 - 4(x-1)^2$.

SOLN: $f(x) \leq 10$ so the range is $(-\infty, 10]$

(b) $f(x) = -2x^2 + 8x + 1$

SOLN: $f(x) = -2(x-2)^2 + 9 \leq 9$ so the range is $(-\infty, 9]$

5. Consider the quadratic $f(x) = x^2$. What sequence of transformations is required to transform this function to $g(x) = 5 - \frac{1}{2}(x+3)^2$? SOLN:

- horizontal shift: 3 left, $y = (x+3)^2$
- vertical shrink: by $\frac{1}{2}$, $y = \frac{1}{2}(x+3)^2$
- reflection: Across the x -axis, $y = -\frac{1}{2}(x+3)^2$
- vertical shift: up 5, $y = 5 - \frac{1}{2}(x+3)^2$

6. Suppose $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$ and $g(x) = \frac{1}{x-2}$. Find a formula for and determine the domain of

(a) $(g \circ f)(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x-2}}$ has a domain of $(2, \infty)$.

(b) $(f \circ g)(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x-2}}$ has a domain of $[0, 4) \cup (4, \infty)$.

7. Find a formula for the inverse function of $f(x) = \frac{1}{2}x + 1$ and sketch a graph for $y = f(x)$ and $y = f^{-1}(x)$ together showing the symmetry through the line $y = x$. SOLN: Solve $y = \frac{1}{2}x + 1$ for $x = 2(y - 1)$ to get the formula for $f^{-1}(x) = 2x - 2$

