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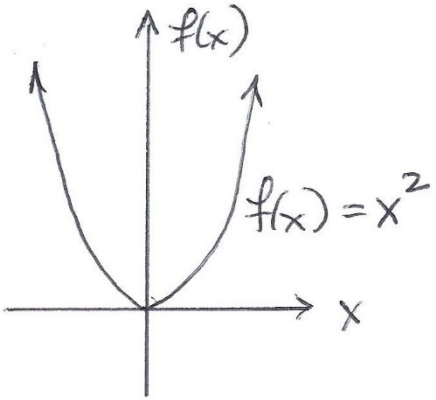
MAT122

More Domain



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More on Domain



domain: $(-\infty, \infty)$ -or- all reals -or- \mathbb{R}

range: $[0, \infty)$

Rule: an x value is not in a function's domain if it causes:

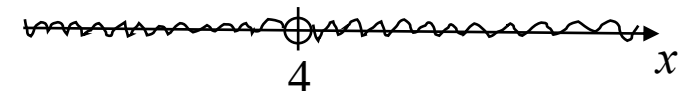
1. denominator to be **zero**
2. **negative** under even root

zero under radical okay
(can't violate Rule #1) $\sqrt{0} = 0$

ex: find domain of $f(x) = (3x-1)^2$ domain: $(-\infty, \infty)$ no denominator, no radical

ex: find domain of $p(x) = \frac{x^2 + 3x - 7}{x - 4}$
 $x - 4 \neq 0$
 $x \neq 4$

use real number line to
convert to interval notation

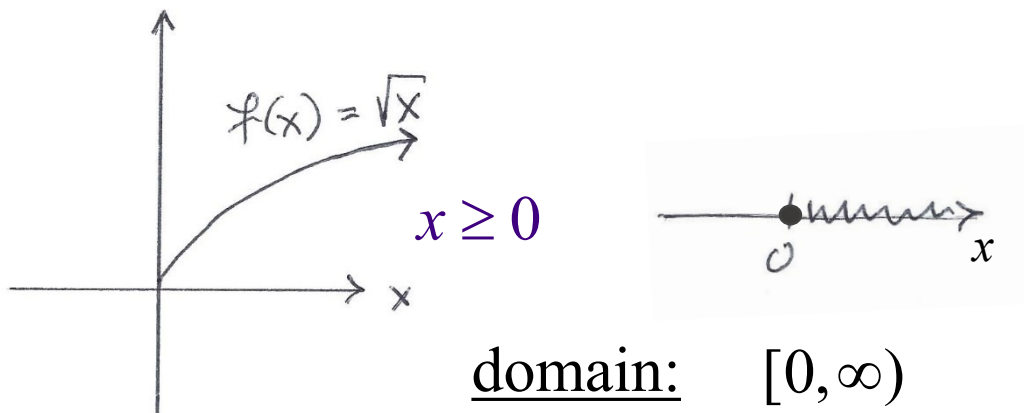


domain: $(-\infty, 4) \cup (4, \infty)$

More on Domain (cont'd)

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ex: find domain $g(x) = \sqrt{x-3}$

$$\begin{aligned}x-3 &\geq 0 \\x &\geq 3\end{aligned}$$

domain: $[3, \infty)$



NOTE: domain $\sqrt[3]{x-3}$
 $(-\infty, \infty)$

an even root has a restricted domain

an odd root a domain of all reals

$$(-2)^3 = (-2)(-2)(-2) = -8 \quad \therefore \sqrt[3]{-8} = -2$$