

Input and Output

Chapter 2

Section 1

Finding Output Values – House Painting Example

In the house painting example from section 1.1, the notation $n = f(A)$ indicates that n is a function of A . The expression $f(A)$ represents the output of the function – specifically, the amount of paint required to cover an area of A ft^2 .

- Use the fact that 1 gallon of paint covers 250 ft^2 , to evaluate the expression $f(20,000)$.

Evaluating a Function Using a Formula

The formula for the area of a circle of radius r is $A = q(r) = \pi r^2$. Use the formula to evaluate $q(10)$ and $q(20)$. What do your results tell you about circles? (Interpret your results)

More Function Evaluations

For each of the functions listed below, evaluate and simplify the given expressions:

$$g(x) = \frac{x^2 + 1}{5 + x}$$

a) g(3)

b) g(-1)

c) g(a)

$$h(x) = x^2 - 3x + 5$$

a) h(2)

b) h(a - 2)

c) h(a) - 2

d) h(a) - h(2)

Finding Input Values: Solving Equations

Use the cricket function $T = \frac{1}{4}R + 40$, introduced in section 1.1, to find the rate, R , at which the snowy tree cricket chirps when the temperature, T , is 76°F .

More Solving Equations

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x-4}}$$

- a) Find an x -value that results in $f(x) = 2$.
- b) Is there an x -value that results in $f(x) = -2$?

More Solving Equations

Let $A = q(r) = \pi r^2$ be the area of a circle of radius r , where r is in cm. What is the radius of a circle whose area is 100 cm^2 ?

Finding Output and Input from Tables

The table below shows the revenue, $R = f(t)$, received or expected by the National Football League, NFL, from network TV as a function of the year, t , since 1975.

- a) Evaluate and interpret $f(25)$.
- b) Solve and interpret $f(t) = 1159$.

Year, t (since 1975	0	5	10	15	20	25	30
Revenue, R (million \$)	201	364	651	1075	1159	2200	2200

Finding Output and Input from Graphs

A man drives from his home to a store and back. The entire trip takes 30 minutes. The graph on the next slide gives his velocity $v(t)$ (in mph) as a function of the time t (in minutes) since he left home. A negative velocity indicates that he is traveling away from the store back to his home.

Finding Output and Input from Graphs



Figure 2.1: Velocity of a man on a trip to the store and back

Evaluate and interpret:

- a) $v(5)$ b) $v(24)$ c) $v(8) - v(16)$ d) $v(-3)$

Finding Output and Input from Graphs

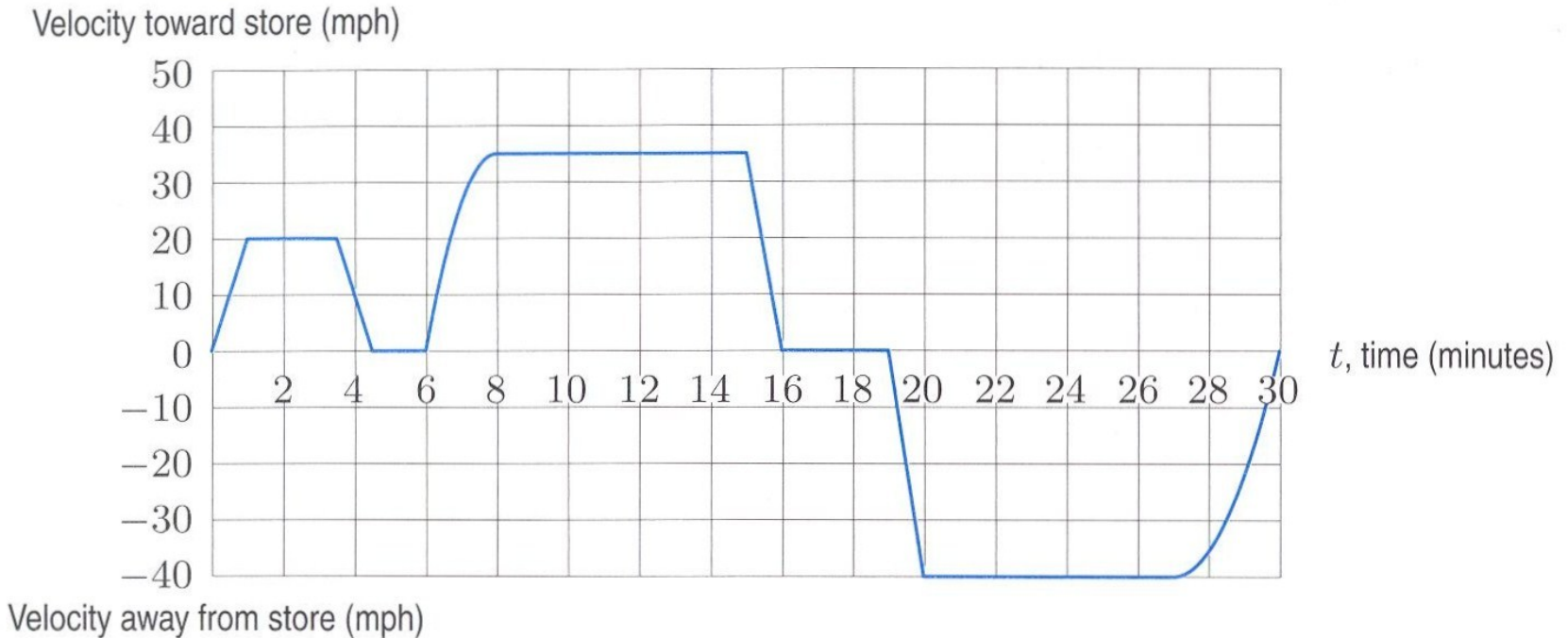


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Solve for t and interpret:

e) $v(t) = 15$ f) $v(t) = -20$ g) $v(t) = v(7)$