

FORMAL DEFINITION OF INCREASING AND DECREASING FUNCTIONS

Let  $f$  be a function defined on interval  $I$  and let  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  be any two points in  $I$ .

1. If  $f(x_2) > f(x_1)$  whenever  $x_1 < x_2$ , then  $f$  is said to be **increasing on  $I$** .
2. If  $f(x_2) < f(x_1)$  whenever  $x_1 < x_2$ , then  $f$  is said to be **decreasing on  $I$** .

A function that is increasing or decreasing on  $I$  is called **MONOTONIC** on  $I$ .

**Task:** Sketch four different graphs of increasing functions

**Task:** Sketch four different graphs of decreasing functions

**Task:** Sketch a graph of a function that is neither increasing nor decreasing over the entire domain of the function.

## INVERSE OF A FUNCTION

- For an inverse of a function to be also a function, the original function must pass the **horizontal line test**
- A Function that passes the horizontal line test is called **one-to-one function**

**Task:** Sketch 3 graphs of functions that pass the horizontal line test

**Task:** Sketch 3 graphs of functions that pass the horizontal line test when their domain is restricted. State the interval of the domain where the given function is 1-to-1

## COMPOSITE FUNCTIONS

$f(g(x))$  = "f of g of x" = composing g and f = "g before f" = "first g then f" =  $f \circ g$

Example: a) Find formula of  $f(g(x))$  if  $f(x) = x^3 + 5x$  and  $g(x) = 0.5x - 2$ . Then evaluate  $f(g(x))$  at  $x=1$

b) Find formula of  $g(f(x))$  and evaluate it at  $x=5$

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