

14.3 Even and Odd Functions (different than even/odd degree)

Even Functions

Equation: All terms have an even degree & might have a constant

Graph: Symmetry over y-axis (mirror reflection over x-axis)

★ Algebra: $f(-x) = f(x)$ get original back

Odd Functions

Equation: All terms have an odd degree & no constant (+0)

Graph: Symmetry about the origin (rotational symmetry)

★ Algebra: $f(-x) = -f(x)$ get opposite of original back

Ex #1 Determine if $f(x) = 2x^5 + 3x^3 + 7$ is even/odd/neither.

Equation: Neither b/c although terms are odd degree, it has a constant.

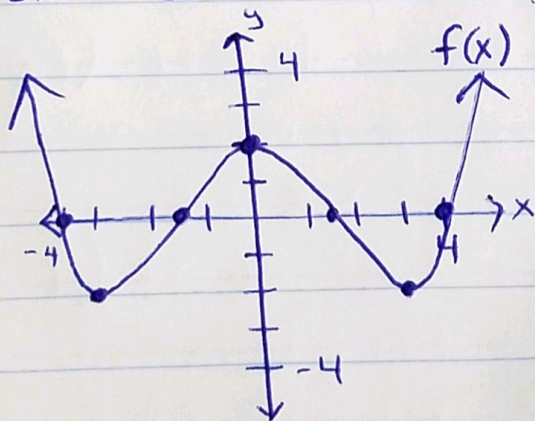
Graph: Don't have a graph $\frac{||}{}$.

$$\text{Algebra: } f(-x) = 2(-x)^5 + 3(-x)^3 + 7$$

$$= -2x^5 - 3x^3 + 7$$

$$\neq f(x) \neq -f(x) \quad \boxed{\text{Neither}}$$

Ex #2 Determine if the graph is even/odd/neither.

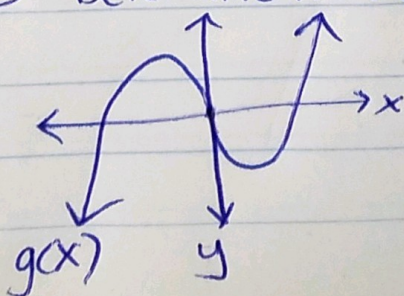


Eqn: Don't have eqn $\frac{||}{}$.

Graph: Even b/c symmetric over y-axis.

Algebra: Don't have eqn $\frac{||}{}$.

Ex #3 Determine if the graph is even/odd/neither.



Odd b/c we can spin it 180° at the origin & get the same graph (rotational symmetry).