

HW #5 solutions

3.1.16

$$f(x) = x^2 - 2x$$

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

$$= x^2 + 2x + 1 - 2x - 2$$

$$= x^2 - 1$$

$$= \boxed{(x-1)(x+1)}$$

← either one is acceptable

$$f(x+h) = (x+h)^2 - 2(x+h)$$

$$= \boxed{x^2 + 2hx + h^2 - 2x - 2h}$$

$$\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \frac{x^2 + 2hx + h^2 - 2x - 2h - (x^2 - 2x)}{h}$$

$$= \frac{2hx + h^2 - 2h}{h}$$

$$= \boxed{2x + h - 2}$$

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$$f(t) = \sqrt[3]{t-5}$$

• root function

• $D = (-\infty, \infty)$

3.1.35

$$g(x) = 2x - 1$$

• polynomial function

• $D = (-\infty, \infty)$

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$$h(x) = \frac{x^2 + 4}{x^2 + x - 42} = \frac{x^2 + 4}{(x-6)(x+7)}$$

• rational function

• $D = (-\infty, -7) \cup (-7, 6) \cup (6, \infty)$