

Chapter 1: Functions

Worksheet to accompany

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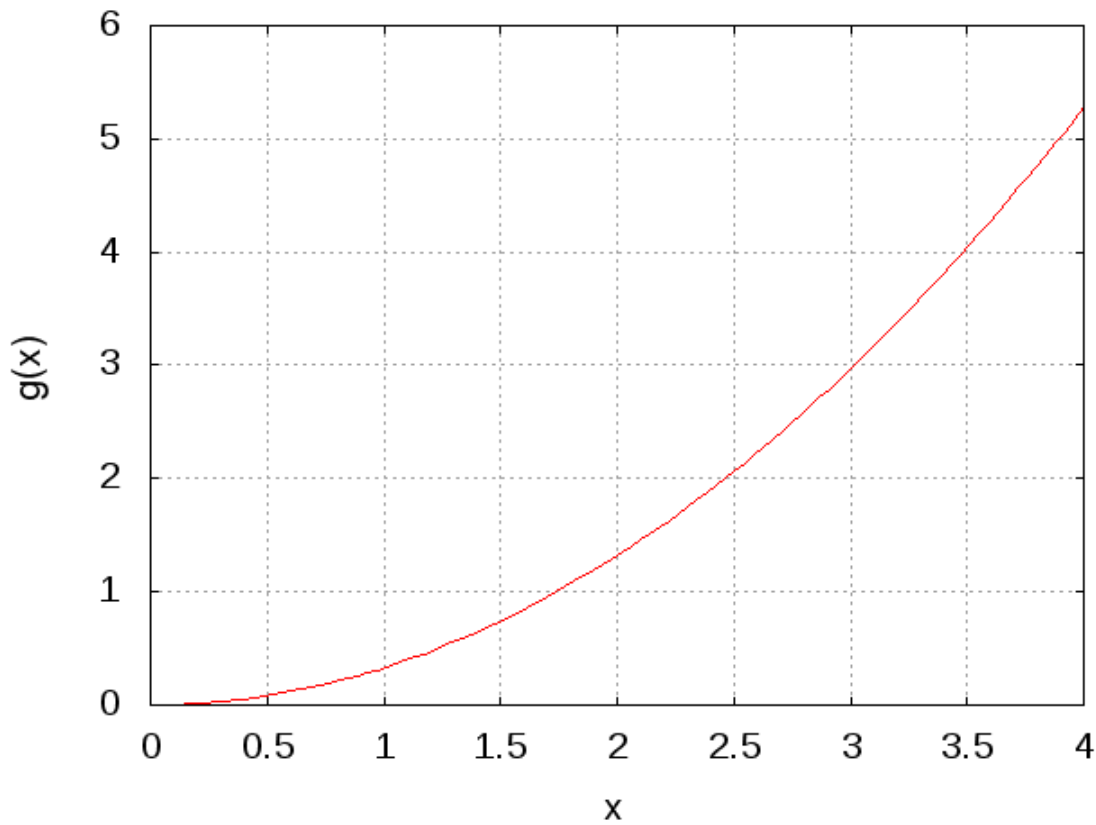


Figure 1: The function $g(x)$.

1. The following problems refer to the function $g(x)$, shown in Fig. 1. Determine approximate values for the following:
 - (a) $g(3)$
 - (b) $g(2)$
 - (c) $g(1)$
 - (d) $g(g(2))$
 - (e) $g(g(3))$

2. Let $g(x) = x^2 + 3$. Determine values for the following:

(a) $g(0)$

(b) $g(2)$

(c) $g(-2)$

(d) $g(z)$

(e) $g(\heartsuit)$

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(g) $g(g(x))$

3. Let h be a function that takes a number, triples it, and then adds 6.

(a) Calculate the following:

i. $h(1)$

ii. $h(0)$

iii. $h(-1)$

iv. $h(-5)$

(b) Is there any number that does not change after it is “h-ed”? If so, what are some methods you might use to figure find this number?