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Sect. 2-4

Absolute Value Eqns & Ineqs

Eqn. {
Set up
Solve
Check

Ineq. {
Write as Comp. Ineq. (AND/OR)
Solve
Graph

$$\text{Solve: } |x| = 4$$

$$x = 4 \quad \text{or} \quad x = -4$$

$$\{-4, 4\} \quad \{\pm 4\}$$

$$|x-1| = 7$$

$$x-1 = 7 \quad \text{or} \quad x-1 = -7$$

$$x = 8 \quad \text{or} \quad x = -6$$

$$\{-6, 8\}$$

$$|x-2|+3=7$$

$$\underline{-3 \quad -3}$$
$$|x-2|=4$$

$$x-2=4 \text{ or } x-2=-4$$

$$x=6 \text{ or } x=-2$$

$$\{-2, 6\}$$

$$\underline{2 \quad -6}$$
$$\underline{2 \quad 2}$$

$$|x-1|=3$$

$$x-1=3 \text{ or } x-1=-3$$

$$x=4 \text{ or } x=-2$$

$$\{-2, 4\}$$

Ineqs.

Rule: $|stuff| > \geq$ Set up as OR

$|stuff| < \leq$ Set up as
double AND

$$|2x-5| > 3 \quad \underline{\text{OR}}$$

$$2x-5 > 3 \quad \text{OR} \quad 2x-5 < -3$$

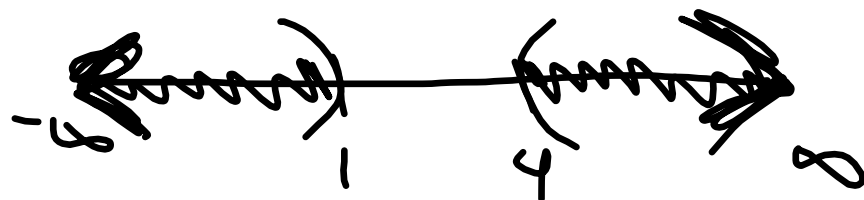
$$2x > 8$$

$$2x < 2$$

$$x > 4$$

OR

$$x < 1$$



$$(-\infty, 1) \cup (4, \infty)$$

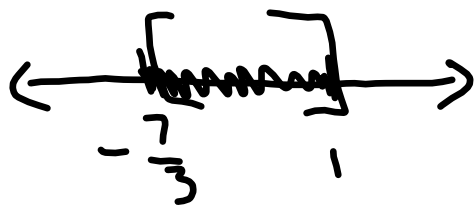
$$|3x+2| \leq 5 \quad \text{AND}$$

$$-5 \leq 3x+2 \leq 5$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} -2 & -2 & -2 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\frac{-7}{3} \leq 3x \leq \frac{3}{3}$$

$$-\frac{7}{3} \leq x \leq 1$$



$$\left[-\frac{7}{3}, 1\right]$$

Be Careful

$$|x+5| = -3$$

~~$x+5 = -3$ or $x+5 = 3$~~
Wrong

No Sol.

$$\frac{-2|x-1|}{-2} = \frac{-6}{-2}$$

$$|x-1| = 3$$

finish...

$$|x-1| < -3$$

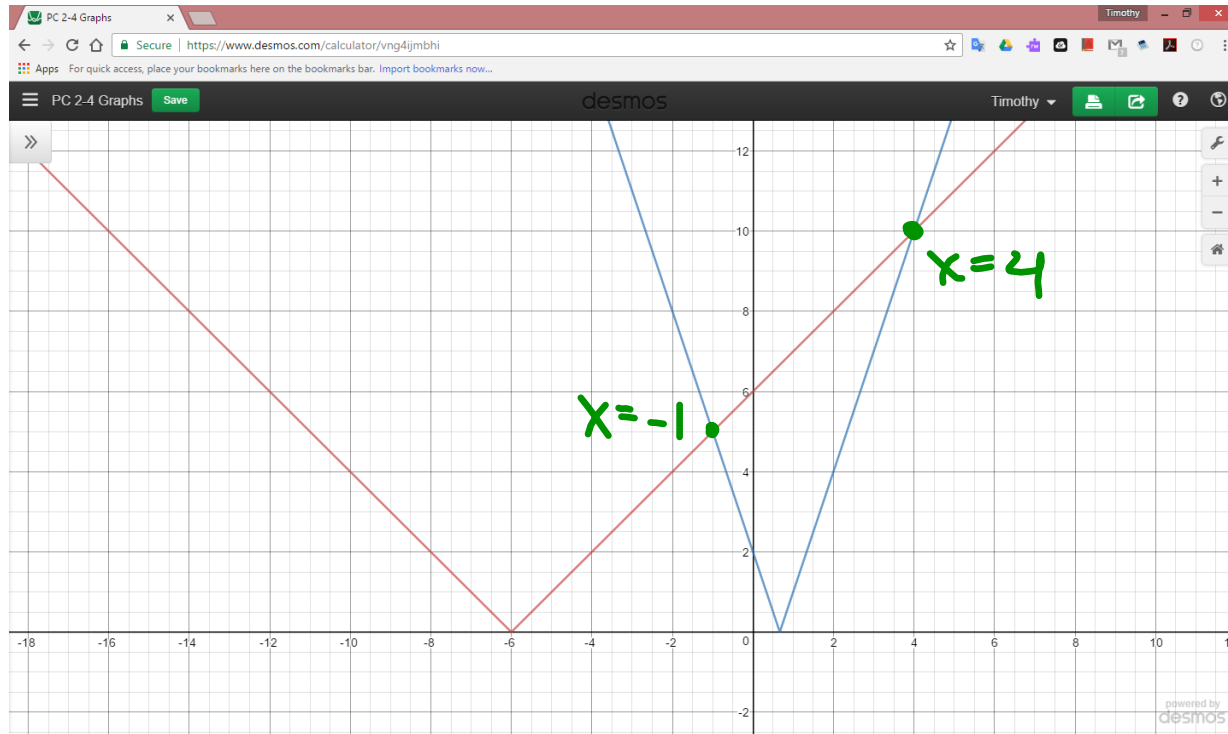
No Sol

$$|x-1| > -3$$

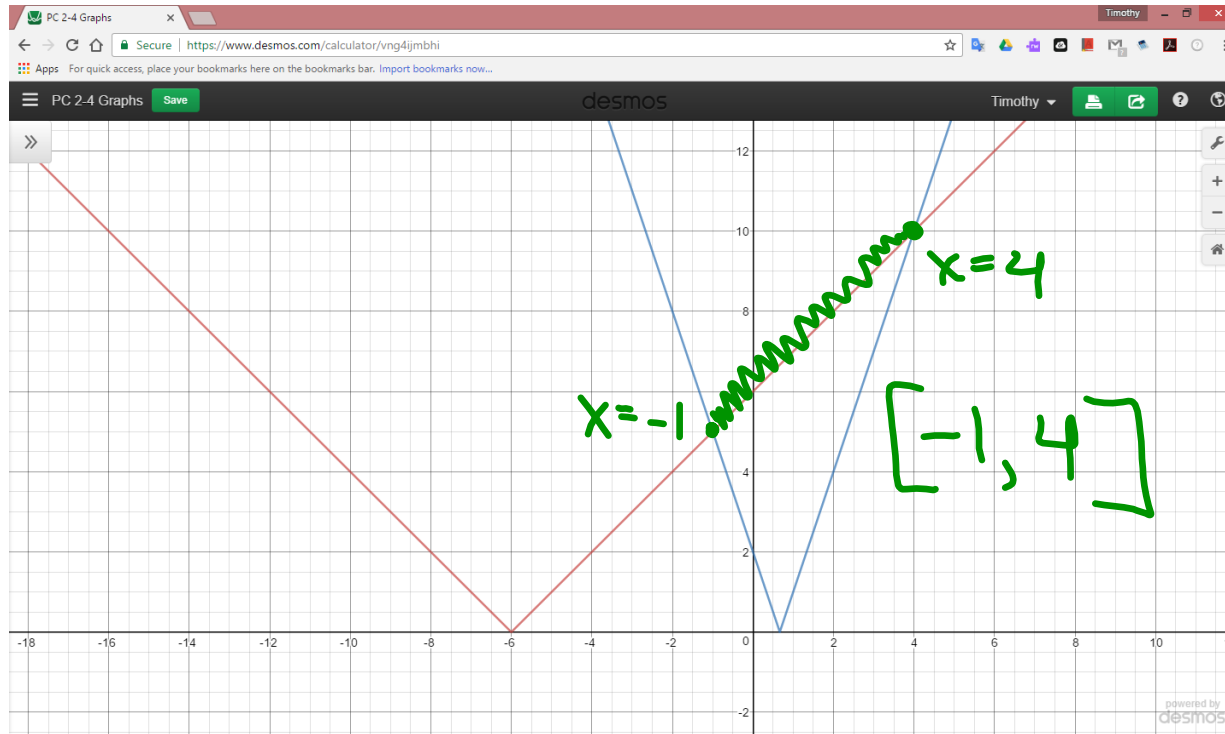
All real #s

$(-\infty, \infty)$

$$|x+6| = |3x-2|$$



$$|x+6| \geq |3x-2|$$



$$|x+6| < |3x-2|$$

