

121 §2.8 #63 Question

No video, today, but here's a writeup

$f(x) = -4|3x-1|$ and $g(x) = -16$. Solve:

(a) $f(x) = g(x)$, (b) $f(x) > g(x)$ (c) $f(x) \leq g(x)$

Equivalent statements:

$$f(x) - g(x) = 0, f(x) - g(x) > 0, f(x) - g(x) \leq 0$$

$$(a) f(x) = -4|3x-1| \stackrel{\text{SET}}{=} -16 = g(x)$$

$$-4|3x-1| = -16$$

$$|3x-1| = \frac{-16}{-4} = 4$$

$$3x-1=4 \quad \text{OR} \quad 3x-1=-4$$

$$3x=5 \quad \text{OR} \quad 3x=-3$$

$$x = \frac{5}{3} \quad \text{OR} \quad x = -1$$

$$\left\{ x \mid x = \frac{5}{3} \text{ OR } x = -1 \right\}$$

"Solution Set" My Lab wants is simply

$$\left\{ -1, \frac{5}{3} \right\}$$

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$$(b) f(x) > g(x)$$

$$-4|3x-1| > -16$$

$$|3x-1| < \frac{-16}{-4} = 4$$

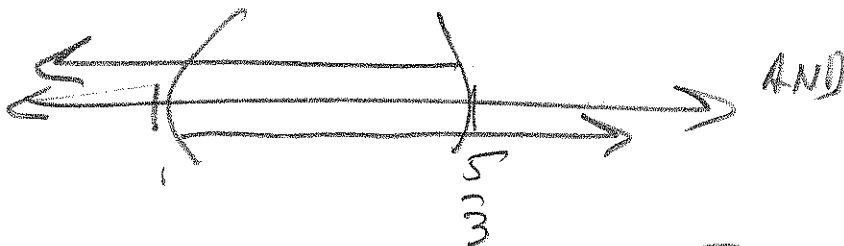
$$3x-1 < 4 \quad \text{AND} \quad 3x-1 > -4$$

$$3x < 5$$

$$3x > -3$$

$$x < \frac{5}{3}$$

$$\text{AND} \quad x > 1$$



$$= \left\{ x \mid x < \frac{5}{3} \text{ and } x > 1 \right\}$$

$$= \left(1, \frac{5}{3} \right)$$

$$|A| < B \implies$$

$$A < B \quad \text{AND} \quad A > -B$$

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(c) $f(x) \leq g(x)$

$$|A| \geq B$$

$$-4|3x-1| \leq -16$$

$$A \geq B \text{ OR } A \leq -B$$

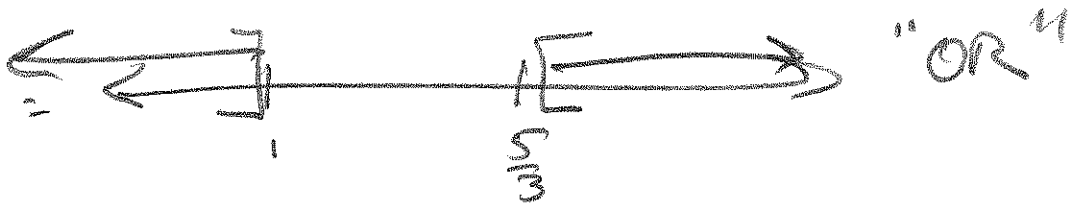
$$|3x-1| \geq \frac{-16}{-4} = 4 \quad \text{Divide by } -4 \rightarrow$$

switch/reverse the

$$3x-1 \geq 4 \text{ OR } 3x-1 \leq -4 \quad \text{inequality!}$$

$$3x \geq 5 \text{ OR } 3x \leq -3$$

$$\left\{ x \mid x \geq \frac{5}{3} \text{ OR } x \leq -1 \right\} = \text{sol'n set}$$



$$= (-\infty, -1] \cup [\frac{5}{3}, \infty)$$