

Math122 College Algebra

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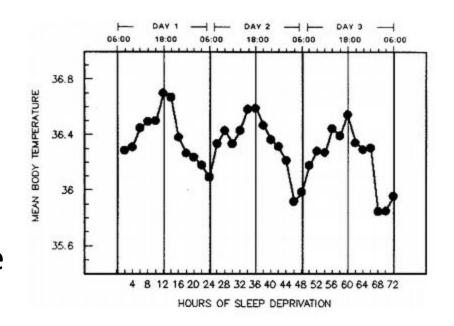
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Getting Info From A Graph

- A complete graph of a function provides an incredible amount of information including
 - 1. the domain and range
 - 2. the minimum and maximum values
 - 3. where the function increases and decreases
 - 4. function value for a given input value

Problem

- For the given graph, find the
 - 1. domain
 - 2. range
 - 3. independent variable
 - 4. dependent variable
 - 5. value of f(12)
 - 6. values for hours where f(hours) < 35.9



Increasing Functions

- It is often useful to know where a graph rises and falls
- f is increasing on an interval I if f(x1) < f(x2) whenever x1 < x2 in I
- Show graphically what this means

Decreasing Functions

- f is decreasing on an interval I if f(x1) > f(x2) whenever x1 < x2 in I
- Show graphically what this means

Problem

- Consider the function $f(x) = 5x x^2$
- Find the domain
- Find the range (tricky)
- Find the x-intercepts
- Find the y-intercepts
- Find the interval where f is increasing
- Find the interval where f is decreasing
- Graph the function